

**VILLAGE OF FREDONIA  
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
Fredonia Government Center  
242 Fredonia Avenue, Fredonia, WI  
September 19, 2019**

The third destination of the 2020 Budget Tour started at 6:15 p.m. at the Fredonia Wastewater Treatment Plant. The village board members and staff viewed the blowers, aeration basins and the new grit removal (headworks) building.

The regular village board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Donald Dohrwardt. Present: Don Dohrwardt, Richard Abegglen, Jill Bertram, Dan Gehrke, Joshua Haas, John Long and Bill McLarty. Also present: Bob Lallensack, Dan Benson, Roger Strohm and Sandi Tretow. Arriving later: Mike Davel.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Consent Agenda**

The minutes from the September 5, 2019 village board meeting, the general fund, water, and sewer bills with an additional bill to Calvin Comparin for Fredonia Government Center Cleaning for \$200 and \$500 to Port Washington State Bank for bridge loan administrative fees, the August Treasurer's Report, and the Special Gathering Beer License for Divine Savior Catholic School – Home and School Association – October 12, 2019 were approved on a **MOTION** by Haas, seconded by Gehrke, and carried.

**Open Session for Citizen Questions and Comments**

Bob Lallensack, resident on Edmaro Street, thanked the village board for the nice job with the water and sewer work on Edmaro Street. He was questioning the thickness of the road base that will be put down as he heard there may not be enough. Strohm stated when Payne and Dolan comes in, he will get their opinion.

**Report on Operations of Village by Village President**

VILLAGE GREEN: Dohrwardt reported on the recent meeting that he and office staff had with a builder who is interested in developing land north of the existing Village Green subdivision. Another party has also expressed interest. Both companies are concerned about removing the existing dirt piles. Addition of infrastructure was also discussed.

REPORT ON MILWAUKEE METROPOLITAN SEWERAGE DISTRICT (MMSD) WATERSHED PLANNING MEETING – SEPTEMBER 10, 2019: Dohrwardt reported on the draft plan that was presented. Input regarding changes and/or corrections are requested, and the final plan meeting will be Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at the Fredonia Government Center.

**Report on Operations of Village by Fire Chief**

The August financial report for the Fire Department Ambulance was reviewed.

**Report on Operations of Village by Village Marshal**

The report from the Village Marshal was reviewed. Davel stated the August court revenue was over \$3800. He also reported on the incident regarding the person scavenging for computer parts in the Martin Drive and Emerald Hills vicinity. He credited the people who called to report; and Officers Wolff and McNerney for their hard work in investigating and delivering citations.

**Report on Operations of Village by Director of Public Works**

The report from the Director of Public Works was reviewed. Strohm stated the work for the Phillips Plastics site should be wrapped up in about a month. Paving for Emmer and Lawrence should begin next week, with Hill and Meyer following, then Edmaro Street – weather permitting. Freedom Park – lamp posts installed today, final concrete will be finished early next week. Grading and topsoil will be put in, and perennial gardens will be arranged.

**Report on Operations of Village by Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator**

Tour at Wastewater Treatment Plant was provided.

**Report on Operations of Village by Clerk-Treasurer**

The report from the Clerk-Treasurer was reviewed.

APPROVE ASSESSOR CONTRACT FOR 2020-2022: The contract for Maintenance of Assessment Records from Grotta Appraisals was reviewed and discussed. After, a **MOTION** to renew the three year contract with Grotta Appraisals by Long, seconded by Haas, and carried.

**Public Safety Committee – September 10, 2019 meeting**

Gehrke reported on the Public Safety Committee – September 10, 2019 meeting. The 2020 fire department budget was discussed. A grass rig that has been postponed will be requested. The committee discussed the upcoming replacement schedule for fire apparatus, which will amount to around \$1 million dollars between now and 2028.

**Tech Committee – September 10, 2019 meeting**

The minutes from the Tech Committee – September 10, 2019 meeting were reviewed. The committee put together a list for the 2020 budget including equipment for broadcasting meetings and remote meeting attendance; as well as cameras for village facilities. The committee priced items based on a DIY project, but has since met with Conference Technologies (formerly TechTeriors) to quote items with professional installation and maintenance. The committee will meet next week to review the quote and forward to the Finance and Budgets Committee.

**Parks Committee – September 12, 2019 meeting**

Bertram stated the Parks Committee met to discuss budget. Tree Lighting plans are in the beginning stages with a November 30, 2019 date set. Perennial beds are being planned for Freedom Park. Residents will be invited to bring and plant perennials. Saturday, September 28 at 9:30 a.m. with an October 5 rain date are the dates for perennial planting.

**Utilities Committee – September 19, 2019 meeting**

The Utilities Committee met at the Wastewater Treatment Plant prior to the budget tour. The 2020 water budget is in good shape, but the sewer budget needs work. The committee will meet again next week to continue to work on the sewer budget, including sewer rates as well as look closely into the Wastewater Replacement fund (required by the DNR).

APPLICATION TO FILE SIMPLIFIED RATE CASE (SRC) OF 3% WATER RATE INCREASE WITH THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION (PSC) EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 30, 2019: Water rates have not increased since September 30, 2018. The 2020 water utility budget includes a 3% rate increase to pay expenses and some capital purchases. After discussion, a **MOTION** to apply for a 3% water rate increase with the Public Service Commission effective December 30, 2019 reflecting increase on the April bill by Long, seconded by Bertram, and carried.

SEWER RATES FOR 2020: Will be placed on the October 3, 2019 village board agenda.

**Public Works Committee – September 17, 2019 meeting**

Dohrwardt stated the committee met to discuss projects and equipment needs for the 2020 budget. N. Wilson Street will be postponed to save money and will replace with repairing the intersection of Fox Glen Road, Martin Drive and Cedar Valley Road for \$60,000.

**Items for Future Consideration by the Village Board**

The next stop for the 2020 Budget Tour will be the Water Tower at 616 Tower Drive starting at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

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**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m. on a **MOTION** by Haas, seconded by Abegglen, and carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sandi Tretow  
Clerk-Treasurer