

## MINUTES OF VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, August 4, 2020

TIME: 6:30pm

**LOCATION: Combined Locks Civic Center** 

**Council Chambers, 405 Wallace Street** 

## **MINUTES**

A. Call to order: Meeting called to order by President Neumeier at 6:30pm

B. Pledge of Allegiance: Pledge recited

- **C. Roll call:** Board members present Neumeier, Vander Zanden, Vander Wielen, Rietveld, Stutzman, and Krueger.

  Board members absent Schinke. Village staff present Administrator Shampo-Giese, Public Works Director Swick.

  Also present Jim and Theresa Ponto, Phil Kleman of McMahon Group and Joe Murray (via telephone) of Ehlers, Inc.
- **1. Public comment for matters not on the agenda:** Jim Ponto asked for an update on the CTH N/Wallace Street traffic signal.
- 2. Recognition of Trustee Ponto: President Neumeier presented Jim Ponto a plaque and gift in appreciation for his years of service to the community as a trustee. He shared Trustee Schinke's praise of Jim's well thought out decisions and ideas. Jim thanked the trustees for the years of camaraderie and voiced his appreciation for his fellow trustees and how they treat all community members.
- **3.** Administrator, Law Enforcement and Public Works Director Reports accept and file: Department reports were accepted and filed.
- **4. Review and consider approval of minutes & bills:** C. Vander Zanden made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. K. Vander Wielen seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. M. Rietveld made a motion to approve the bills and payments as presented. K. Vander Wielen seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
- 5. Review estimated project costs for Steven Street utilities and roadway, Elm Street roadway and Prospect Street roadway replacement: Phil Kleman of McMahon Group reviewed the estimated project costs for Steven and Jean Street utility and street reconstruction, Elm Street reconstruction and Prospect Street reconstruction which included a discussion about installation of asphalt or concrete. The total estimated cost for Steven/Jean Street utilities and roadway is \$1,022,555. The estimated cost for Elm Street roadway is \$129,663 for asphalt and no sidewalk, curb or sidewalk replacement or \$435,000 for concrete street and replacement of all sidewalk, curb, gutter, and driveway aprons. The estimated cost for Prospect Street (Elm Street to Park Street) is \$390,875. Due to the hillside along Prospect Street, asphalt is recommended here. These projects and additional options for street projects were discussed as they will be part of the proposed \$5 million debt issue being considered.
- 6. Review and consider approval of options for general obligation debt bonds and payment structure: Joe Murray of Ehlers, Inc reviewed options and payment structures for a \$5 million debt issue. Two options were reviewed. The borrowing will result in a 70 cent to one dollar increase in the debt portion of the tax rate. One option steps that increase in over two to three years, and the other option absorbs the increase immediately in the first year. These options were discussed at length. J. Krueger made a motion to move forward with the \$5 million debt issue using the option that absorbs the increase immediately. C. Vander Zanden seconded the motion, and it passed with a 6-0 roll call vote with B. Schinke absent.
- 7. Review and consider approval of operator (bartender) licenses: M. Rietveld made a motion to approve operator licenses for L. Manteufel, M. Bruce and A. Momberg-Webb. K. Vander Wielen seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

## 8. Other business and updates:

- a) Baseball fields project update decision to contract with Midwest Athletic Fields after additional discussion with them and Stumpf Creative Landscape
- b) Sledding hill drainage problem identified an area along the north side of the sledding hill that never completely dries out will get a solution from the engineer and solicit proposals from contractors
- c) CLAA cancelation of Light Those Lights CLAA President has stated the group will not host this event for 2020
- **9. Adjourn:** T. Stutzman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30pm. J. Krueger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.