

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF SURING BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2023 AT 6:00 PM

1. Meeting Called to Order by Village President Steffek at 6:00 pm.
Roll Call: Bengtson, Kohlwey, School, Schuettpelz, and Steffek, Also present: Clerk-Treasurer Kim Gruetzmacher, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Pat Sleeter, Police Chief Kevin Schneider, and Public Works Director Jeff Tienor. Kramp and Nieling were excused.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all, and the invocation provided by Clerk-Treasurer.
3. Agenda motion to approve agenda was made by Kohlwey and second by Bengtson. All ayes. Motion carried.
Open Meeting Notice statement made by Clerk-Treasurer.
4. Public Input: Clerk reported that the Labor Day Committee purchased and donated four new commercial belt swings for Veteran's Park to be installed prior to Labor Day.
5. Minutes of the JULY meetings were approved with a motion by Schuettpelz and second by School. All ayes. Motion carried.
6. Citizen of the Year: Motion to approve nomination of Harvey Miller for Suring's 2023 Citizen of the Year made by Kohlwey and second by Bengtson. All ayes. Motion carried.
7. Labor Day:
 - Motion to approve picnic licenses for Labor Day Celebration for Suring FFA Alumni, Suring Area Tractor Association, American Legion Post 283, Suring Sportsman's Club, and Suring Lion's Club made by Bengtson and second by Schuettpelz. All ayes. Motion carried.
 - Motion to approve temporary operator licenses for Labor Day Celebration for: Steve Fifield / Laura Fifield / Kevin Christensen / Zach School / Michelle Thomson / Bill Madison / Al DePuydt made by School and second by Bengtson. All ayes. Motion carried.
 - Motion to approve use of Veteran's Park for Suring Area Antique Tractor Association for truck pulls on September 1, 2023 made by Kohlwey and second by Schuettpelz. All ayes. Motion carried.
8. Fence Variance: Motion to approve 8 foot privacy fence to be 3 feet off of the property lot line for 218 Pine Lane made by Bengtson and second by Schuettpelz. All ayes. Motion carried.
9. MSA Art Bahr: Bahr not present, no new report.
10. Treasurer's Report * Clerk's Report: JULY 2023 treasurer's report was given by treasurer and motion to approve was made by Schuettpelz and second by School. All ayes. Motion carried. JULY 2023 clerk's report was given by the Clerk-Treasurer and motion to approve Clerk's report was made by Bengtson and second by Kohlwey. All ayes. Motion carried. Clerk reported past due utility accounts, building inspector update, website upgrade status, new water rates will be updated September 1st. Clerk also reported that during the League of Municipalities round table today, presentation was made regarding the new alcohol regulations that are going before the State of Wisconsin. The new bill is presented by the alcohol coalition to make a statewide bartender license instead of municipal operator licenses. The League is requesting feedback from municipalities to be read before the State at the public hearing next Thursday.
11. BILLS: were reviewed by the Finance Committee and bill report was presented to each board member. Motion to approve the following made by Schuettpelz and second by School:
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General Fund:	\$ 16,583.40
Fire Dept:	\$ 10,473.95
Water Dept:	\$ 5,042.97
Sewer Dept:	\$ 5,056.72

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Bengtson, Kohlwey, Schuettpelz, and Steffek. NAYS: None. Motion carried.
Motion to approve payment to Packer City for snow plow truck made by School and second by Schuettpelz. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Bengtson, Kohlwey, Schuettpelz, and Steffek. NAYS: None. Motion carried.
12. DEPARTMENT REPORTS
 - POLICE DEPARTMENT: Chief Schneider provided written report for JULY, 2023, noting 99 calls for service, 27 citations, update to board on BOTS Grant through Wisconsin Department of Transportation and citations issued during coverage, patrol status update, and report given on National Night Out event. Motion to approve police department report was made by Schuettpelz and second by Bengtson. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion to approve donation to Suring School Resource Officer for counteract program made by Kohlwey and second by School. All ayes. Motion carried.

- **FIRE DEPARTMENT:** report for JULY 2023, was presented noting 2 regular meetings, 1 vehicle Fire in Town of How, 1 carbon monoxide in Town of Spruce, Pump testing for trucks, vehicle accident Town of Maple Valley, 3 storm damage calls, and 1 MABAS to Town of Underhill. Motion by Bengtson and second by School to approve the Fire Department report as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.
 - **PUBLIC WORKS:** Public works director reported for JULY 2023 fire flow hydrant testing was completed, still waiting to be placed on schedule for reservoir inspection with Lane Tank, Wells and treatment center are working good, grass is finally growing in construction area so project should be finalized soon, update on dump truck given, update on pickleball court in Riverside Park, Veteran's Park update that sign is back up and Suring FFA Alumni would like to donate and paint the new poles under the pavilion, A/C unit on Village Hall needs new motor and it's ordered. Motion to approve public works report was made by Schuettepelz and second by Bengtson. All ayes. Motion carried.
 - Review and approve catch basin behind Nifty Cone and run to the North - Leave Lay, no action taken. Public works director reported that J.J. Grunwald was in Village today looking at this area and will get in touch soon with options. Bring to the September meeting.
 - **WATER DEPARTMENT:** JULY 2023 (included in public works director report)
 - **SEWER DEPARTMENT:** JULY 2023 (included in public works director report)
 - **STREETS:** JULY 2023 (included in public works director report)
 - **PARKS:** JULY 2023 (included in public works director report)
 - Review and approve survey results for Riverside Park tennis court / pickleball court – Survey results were provided by clerk and out of everyone that took survey the vote is to leave the tennis court and add the painting for a pickleball court on the existing court. Public works director reported that the Friends of the Library are willing to purchase paint and a new net for the court.
 - **RECYCLING:** JULY 2023 – no new report.
 - **TID #1:** JULY 2023 - no new report
14. **Other information requiring NO board action:**
- Ordinance Committee Meeting (Bengtson, Kohlwey, Neiling, Schuettepelz) August 14th at 10AM
 - Personnel Committee Meeting (Bengtson, Kohlwey, Kramp) August 21st at 9AM
 - Zoning Administrator Committee Meeting (Bengtson, Kohlwey, Steffeck) August 30th at 1 PM
 - Joint Review Board (NWTC, Oconto County, Suring Public School, Frank Raspberry, Les Steffeck) August 30th at 3:30 PM
 - League of Municipalities – Government 101 – Sept 22 in Waupaca or Oct 27 webinar
 - League of Municipalities Annual Conference – KI Center Green Bay – Oct. 18th – 20th
15. **CLOSED SESSION:** Motion to convene in closed session on the following matters: State Statute 19.85(1)(c) – Personnel – None needed
- NO PHONES OR OTHER RECORDING DEVICES ALLOWED**
16. **OPEN SESSION:** Motion to convene in Open Session to make motions from closed session. – N/A
17. **ADJOURNMENT** – next board meeting Tuesday, September 12, 2023, at 6:00 PM. Motion to adjourn made by School and second by Schuettepelz. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:53 PM.

Minutes prepared by Clerk-Treasurer, Kim Gruetzmacher