

DENMARK VILLAGE BOARD
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2022
4:30 P.M., DENMARK VILLAGE HALL

CALL TO ORDER

President Selner called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Josh Leiterman, Leah Goral, Mary Jo Bielinski, Deb Kralovetz, Jim Steffek, Vince Wertel, Susan Selner

Officials Present: Clerk/Treasurer Sherri Konkol, Director of Public Works Erika Thronson, DEO Jeremiah Rusk

REMARKS/COMMENTS FROM THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT

President Selner welcomed all present. She recapped the rules of an open meeting and explained the only opportunity for the public to speak at the meeting is if they are a preregistered citizen or to discuss an agenda topic. Unless the rules of the meeting are suspended, the public cannot speak during the meeting.

PREREGISTERED CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Milton Bielinski, 531 Diamond Ridge Circle, here to share with the board a possible parking lot design for consideration by the board at the Highridge baseball diamond, concerns regarding the Hager Road construction project for 2023, concerned about the settling of the colored concrete in the terraces on Main Street and how the repair cost will be covered and concerned about the grade not being correct on sidewalks for new home construction.

Audrey Zuleger, 350 Lee Street, and representing also representing Katie Wilson, 345 Lee Street, concerned about feeding and keeping of feral cats. Zuleger/Wilson are asking if anything can be done about it.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA, ALL ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED ROUTINE AND WILL BE ENACTED UPON BY ONE (1) MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A TRUSTEE SO REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED AND PUT ON THE REGULAR AGENDA BY THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT

Steffek/Bielinski moved to approve as presented.

- a. Approval of Village Board minutes and other committee minutes for preceding meetings**
 - i. Village Board Meeting October 10, 2022**

- b. Approve miscellaneous licenses and permits**
Motion carried.

BOARD APPROVAL OF MONTHLY DISBURSEMENTS

Leiterman/Wertel moved to approve the monthly disbursements as presented. Motion carried.

REPORT OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS

Sanders

- Presenting the draft of the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan to the Village Board on Monday, November 28
- Working on amendments to Phase 2 of the Zoning Code
- Projects in the works that should have site plans coming soon

Rusk

- New officer John Pigeon will be starting in January
- Reminder of no overnight parking on the streets from 2 a.m. to 6 a.m.
- Last Frogger Event for the year was done in October
- One of the Village's sex offenders was arrested with no criminal charges-bracelet battery died-released the same evening
- Looking at getting Tough Book computers for the squad cars

Thronson

- The bid opening was held on November 9 for the Water Connection Pump Station and a recommendation will be made at a Special meeting tomorrow

Konecny

- Shared the interest income on investments

Selner

- Interviews held for new police officer, 2 officers were interviewed, and it was a very tough decision as both were qualified
- Congratulations to the Denmark High School Musical cast and crew to a well done show
- Short on crossing guards-officers are filling in and it is very costly
- ARPA funds update-not used for operations or maintenance so far funds used for
 - ❖ New Police car
 - ❖ New Public Works truck
 - ❖ Server update for Village Hall
 - ❖ Security fund for water hook-up to the Brown County Central Water Authority pipeline from Lake Michigan
- Attended the Fire Department Annual meeting-fire costs will jump due to revaluation

BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION ON SETTING A DATE FOR THE BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING AND BUDGET APPROVAL

President Selner explained the date of the hearing and special board meeting have already been set to satisfy posting requirements, and the date of the Public Hearing will be November 28 at 5:00 with a special Village Board meeting to follow at 5:30 p.m. Selner then turned the floor over to Konecny. Konecny went over talking points in the budget and stated there will be an increase in garbage charges.

BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION ON RESOLUTION 10-2022, A RESOLUTION LEVYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR UNPAID UTILITY ACCOUNTS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SPECIAL SERVICES ON THE 2022 TAX ROLL

Wertel/Leiterman moved to approve Resolution 10-2022, a Resolution Levying Special Assessments for Unpaid Utility Accounts and Assessments for Special Services on the 2022 Tax Roll. Motion carried.

BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION ON ORDINANCE NUMBER 2022-06, AN ORDINANCE REGARDING EMERGENCY SERVICES COST RECOVERY FOR THE DENMARK FIRE DEPARTMENT

Wertel/Goral moved to approve Ordinance Number 2022-06, an Ordinance Regarding Emergency Services Cost Recovery for the Denmark Fire Department as presented. Motion carried.

BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION ON ORDINANCE NUMBER 2022-07, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SPLIT SHIFTS FOR ELECTION OFFICIALS

Kralovetz/Bielinski moved to approve Ordinance Number 2022-07, an Ordinance Establishing Split Shifts for Election Officials. Motion carried.

BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION ON AN AGREEMENT WITH RYAN RADUE, DAYBREAK ESTATES, FOR THE VILLAGE TO MAINTAIN THE DAYBREAK ESTATES SIGN AT NORTH AVENUE AND WOODROW STREET

Steffek/Wertel moved to take no action at this time. Motion carried.

BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION ON NEW APPOINTMENT TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION DUE TO A RESIGNATION

President Selner stated that due to a resignation from the Planning Commission, she would like to appoint Joan Roberts to the Plan Commission to fill the open position. **Kralovetz/Bielinski moved to approve the appointment of Joan Roberts to the Plan Commission to fill the open position due to a resignation. Motion carried.**

BOARD DISCUSSION ACTION ON PLACING A CELLULAR TOWER ON VILLAGE PROPERTY

Wertel/Leiterman moved to open negotiations for the leasing of property for a cellular tower. Motion carried.

BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION ON THE DNR PREPARING A FLOODPLAIN ORDINANCE UPDATE FOR THE VILLAGE AT NO COST

Steffek/Bielinski moved to proceed with having the DNR prepare a Floodplain Ordinance Update for the Village at no cost. Motion carried.

BOARD DISCUSSION ON BALL DIAMOND IMPROVEMENTS

- DYBS is asking the Village for help with the improvements
- The Village needs to do improvements to the Highridge diamond, expected cost is \$25,000
- It is difficult for the Village to absorb any more costs
- The Village doesn't charge anyone to use the diamonds
- The new dugouts are on back order and will be here the end of November
- Cost of the benches is \$9,000, and the Village was asked to pay for them

BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION ON THE SALE OF THE POLICE CAR AND PUBLIC WORKS TRUCK

President Selner explained we were going to sell our police car and public works truck that have both been replaced. Selner recommends we sell the police car through auction, as that is how the Sheriff's Department sells theirs, and sell the PW truck through Mike Urban that sold our last police car. Selner feels we might get more money for the police car if it is sold at auction. **Wertel/Goral moved to sell the police car through auction and the PW truck through Mike Urban. Motion carried.**

BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION ON MOVING FORWARD WITH NORTH AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION

Leiterman/Wertel moved to move forward with the Engineering Firm to plan the reconstruction of North Avenue. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Wertel/Kralovetz moved to convene into closed session pursuant to: WIS. Statute 19.85(1)(e), deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, as it relates to economic development whenever competitive bargaining reasons require a closed session

Kralovetz- aye, Bielinski – aye, Goral – aye, Leiterman – aye, Wertel – aye, Steffek – aye, Selner – aye. Motion carried.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION UNDER WIS. STATUTE 19.85(2) TO TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON ITEM(S) IN CLOSED SESSION

Wertel/Bielinski moved to reconvene into open session under Wis. Statute 19-85(2) to take possible action on item(s) in closed session. Motion carried.

Steffek/Bielinski moved to give President Selner authorization to purchase parcel number VD-134-29. Motion carried.

Wertel/Leiterman moved to grant one week of pay or one week of vacation to be used by the end of 2023 to Sherri Konkol and Roxanne Olson for extra hours worked during an unexpected event. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Kralovetz/Goral moved to adjourn at 6:48 p.m. Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by Sherri Konkol, Village Clerk/Treasurer