

DENMARK VILLAGE BOARD
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2024
4:30 P.M., DENMARK VILLAGE HALL, 100 NORTH WALL STREET

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Jim Steffek, Deb Kralovetz, Leah Goral, Mary Jo Bielinski, Michael Johnson, Susan Selner

Officials Present: Clerk/Treasurer Sherri Konkol, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Charlie Wanish, Director of Public Works Erika Thronson, Zoning Administrator Jeffrey Sanders via Zoom, DEO JJ Rusk, DEO John Pigeon

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

Jim Bielinski, 410 Woodrow Court here with concerns about snow plowing and commends the Village for cleaning out the catch basins.

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

Kralovetz/Wertel moved to approve as presented.

- a. Approval of Village Board minutes and other committee minutes for preceding meetings**
 - i. Village Board Meeting January 8, 2024**
 - ii. Special Village Board Meeting February 6, 2024**
 - b. Approve miscellaneous licenses and permits**
- Motion carried.**

BOARD APPROVAL OF MONTHLY DISBURSEMENTS

Goral/Johnson moved to approve the monthly disbursements as presented. Motion carried.

REPORT OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS

President Selner shared the plumbing, building and electrical inspectors submitted written reports

Sanders

- Public Hearing for Village of Denmark Tertiary Treatment Facility Conditional Use Permit on March 6th
- Final phase of updates to Zoning Ordinance (re: Sexually Oriented Businesses), Public Hearing pending
- Draft Subdivision Ordinance, Public Hearing Pending
- Awaiting submittal of landscape plan for Vercon development, site plan for expansion for Affordable Housing Park, and site plan for Tertiary Treatment Facility

Thronson

- Several projects have gone out to bid including North Avenue reconstruction, the Tertiary Treatment project at the wastewater treatment plant, and the Village lawn mowing. Both the North Avenue reconstruction project and Village lawn mowing will be opened on February 22nd, and the Tertiary Treatment project bids will be opened on March 6th
- There were two water main breaks on Pleasant Avenue on Friday. The breaks were about 15 feet apart and both were holes in the bottom of the pipe. It is a 6 inch ductile pipe that was very pitted. It is on the replacement list along with the sanitary sewer
- The check valves for the water connection booster station arrived on Friday afternoon. The generator has been installed. From this point forward if everything goes as scheduled, we will be switching to CBCWA source water on Monday, March 4th. DNR has been notified of the plan and will inspect the booster station and provide start-up approval if everything meets requirements. PSC determines the implementation of Step II of the rate increase based on receiving notice in writing that the project is complete, and the system is connected to CBCWA

Rusk

- Recently there was a weapons call in the Village, it ended up being nothing
- Fire in the Village on January, 8 people were displaced, received donation from Police Lights of Christmas and money used to purchase household necessities and toiletries. The items were disbursed to displaced residents by Denmark Direct Enforcement Officers
- Attended the WayCop conference and received good information on policing events
- The Flock cameras will be installed by April
- Still need straps for the speed board
- Coffee with a cop is held the first Tuesday of each month at DeGrand's
- Will be doing a Boy Scout presentation on March 7

Selner

- There will be a public meeting with a Power Point presentation given by Nic Sparacio, General Manager of the CBCWA on February 29th at 6:00 p.m.
- There will be a Ceremony for the water connection is being set up sometime the week of March 11th, will be held in the morning to get on the evening news
- Ordered signs for no parking in the parking lot north of the Village Hall

- Hopefully we will get good news on the grant for North Avenue

BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION ON NO PARKING ON WOODROW STREET BETWEEN NORTH AVENUE AND HARVEST HILL DRIVE (BOTH SIDES OF THE STREET)

Discussion

- Has come up in the Daybreak neighborhood
- Cars backing up at the stop sign
- One family parks on both sides of the street
- Everyone who lives in the subdivision would love that
- Buses have a hard time getting through
- Will work great for rummage sales

Kralovetz/Goral moved to add no parking to the west side of the street between North Avenue and Harvest Hill Drive. Motion carried.

BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION ON COMPREHENSIVE OUTDOOR RECREATION PLAN AMENDMENT

Sanders stated a question came up from President Selner about a grant that came up regarding expanding parks, and asked, if the Village would like to acquire additional land for park development, could that happen the way the plan is written now. Sanders stated the plan would need to be amended to allow acquiring additional land for park development. **Johnson/Bielinski moved to approve the amendment to the Outdoor Recreation Plan to acquire additional land for park development if land becomes available. Motion carried.**

BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION ON BORROWING FOR THE NORTH AVENUE PROJECT

Konecny recommended Interim financing and borrowing for a short term like a year, and then borrow the net amount for 10 years on a General Obligation note. It is non-taxable and would repay with property taxes in two years. One of our older debts will be dropping off in a few years, so feels the Village should structure the borrowing with smaller payments at first, and then take on larger payments. **Wertel/Johnson moved to approve Konecny's recommendation to obtain short term financing at the best possible rates. Motion carried.**

BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION ON DESIGN AND COLOR OF ELEVATED WATER TANK

No action taken, until more feed back is received from the board.

BOARD DISCUSSION/ACTION ON ELEVATED WATER TANK REPAINTING PROJECT

Wertel/Bielinski moved to accept McMahon's recommendation and go with the low bidder, L.C. United for \$289,000.00. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

(Village Board Meeting, February 12, 2024)

Kralovetz/Steffek moved to adjourn at 5:19 p.m. Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by Sherri Konkol, Village Clerk/Treasurer