

VILLAGE OF ELMWOOD

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

DATE & TIME: August 7, 2023 – 7:00PM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Neil Boltik, Pat Geraets, Jason Severson, Paul Unser, and Mark Wolf

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Luke Weix

STAFF PRESENT: Holly Malaszuk, Nick Andrews, Chief Chris Thibado, Andy Nelson, Bryan Bechel

PUBLIC PRESENT: Austin Weix, Steven Kirby, Lori & Zack Morgan, Rita Princko, Carl Schroeder, Anne & Doug Claflin, Josh & Stephanie Kern, Amy Bechel, Jim Shwaybach, Sandra Weix, Kathleen Mckarddle

PRESS PRESENT: Cari Cornelius

NOTE: APPROVED MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

President Neil Boltik called the Board Meeting to order at 7:18PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

NOTE COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETING LAWS

President Neil Boltik noted that the Village had complied with the open meeting law requirements.

OPEN REGULAR BOARD MEETING-

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR JULY 10TH

Paul Unser made a motion to approve the minutes for July 10th as submitted. Seconded by Jason Severson and motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT –

Rita Princko expressed her concerns regarding the UFO Day parade, questioning whether underage children were distributing alcohol. The discussion revolved around the agreement that no one under the age of eighteen should be responsible for handing out alcohol at any time.

Steven Kirby voiced his frustration after his neighbor's two unregistered dogs attacked his child without any citation being issued.

Zack and Lori Morgan clarified that Steven Kirby's child was in their yard during the dog attack. They made the difficult decision to euthanize their dogs. The County Police Department was contacted.

Chief Chris Thibado explained that, given the involvement of the County Police Department, they would be responsible for handling the situation.

Additionally, Zack Morgan was requested to remove the deteriorating fence separating their properties and he expressed a desire to replace it.

NURSING HOME DISCUSSION-

Paul Unser made a motion to approve Grace Lutheran to continue doing accounts receivable for up to three months after the last resident leaves. Seconded by Pat Geraets. Roll Call and motion carried.

DISCUSSION OF AUGUST 12TH BENEFIT-

Stephanie Kern explained that she didn't need the street closed but would like the open container lifted from 3pm-midnight. It would be between the three bars and the village auditorium. Jason Severson made a motion to lift the open container from 3pm-midnight. Seconded by Pat Geraets. Roll Call and motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT CHICKEN DINNER-

Paul Unser made a motion to approve the picnic license, road closed and lift the noise ordinance. Seconded by Jason Severson and motion carried.

VARIANCE FOR DRIVEWAY EXTENSION – 222 S. SCOTT STREET-

Paul Unser made a motion to approve the variance as long as the easement agreement is signed. Seconded by Jason Severson. Roll Call and motion carried.

APPROVE OPERATOR'S LICENSE-

Kory Waldorf: Pat Geraets approved the operator's license. Seconded by Mark Wolf.
Blake Severson: Pat Geraets approved the operator's license. Seconded by Paul Unser.
Brandy Freund: Paul Unser approved the operator's license. Seconded by Jason Severson.
Kara Bemis: Pat Geraets approved the operator's license. Seconded by Jason Severson.
Cathleen LeBlanc: Jason Severson approved the operator's license. Seconded by Paul Unser.
Montana Jo Pranke: Pat Geraets approved the operator's license. Seconded by Paul Unser.
Cassandra Bengtson: Paul Unser approved the operator's license. Seconded by Pat Geraets.
Roll Call and motion carried.

APPROVE LIBRARY EXEMPTION LETTER-

Paul Unser made a motion to approve the letter as submitted. Seconded by Pat Geraets. Roll Call and motion carried.

DISCUSSION OF WATER METER AND DEDUCT METER PRICE-

Paul Unser made a motion to send the discussion to a Public Works Meeting. Seconded by Pat Geraets. Roll Call and motion carried.

UPDATING VILLAGE ORDINANCES –

Discussed if the chapters should be given to each committee that they pertain to or if they should start from the beginning and do a couple chapters at a time. Paul Unser made a motion to table updating the village ordinances and discuss further in a committee meeting. Seconded by Mark Wolf and motion carried.

NEW BOARD MEMBER INTRODUCTION – MEAGHAN POQUETTE –

Neil Boltik explained that Meaghan Poquette was under the weather and not able to attend the meeting. She will swear in at the next meeting.

Library Board: Mark Wolf read Shell's resignation letter from library board.

Nursing Home: No Report

Parks & Buildings: No Report

Public Works: Andy Nelson stated that they're getting estimates for the park's electrical updates and will call more tomorrow, the backup generator will be fixed next week, and there's an energy audit that's being done on the 15th. Holly Malaszuk stated that she will get the public works employees tests scheduled.

Personnel & Finance: No Report

Police: Chief Chris Thibado stated that Officer Paige Harlow had training and that a free rust repair for the squad truck was scheduled for August 11th.

PAYMENT OF BILLS –

Pat Geraets made a motion to approve full payment on the bills as submitted. Seconded by Mark Wolf and motion carried.

ADJOURN –

Pat Geraets moved to adjourn. Second by Jason Severson and motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:10PM

Respectfully Submitted

Holly R. Malaszuk