



VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2023 AT 7:00 P.M.

Lake Hallie Municipal Building
13136 30th Avenue
Lake Hallie, WI 54729

MINUTES

1. Meeting called to order according to Chapter 19.84 and 19.85 (1)(c) of the Wisconsin State Statutes by President Spilde at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call: Mr. Johnson, Mr. Spilde and Mr. Lehmann all present. Mr. Greenwood and Mr. Berg absent.

3. Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of the September 5, 2023 Agenda as presented

Mr. Lehmann made a motion to approve the September 5, 2023 Village Board Meeting Agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

5. Public Comments: Public comments are limited to two (2) minutes and will be limited to issues that have an impact on the Village of Lake Hallie. An exception to the two (2) minute limit may be made at the discretion of the Village President.

Ms. Karen Hawk, 2640 113th Street, Lake Hallie appeared before the board to express concerns about the speed limit on 113th Street between 30th and 27th. Currently the speed limit is 35 mph and with the construction of homes and small children in the area asked what it would take to lower the speed limit to 25 mph. Chief Orgon will have officers observe the speed of vehicles over the next couple of days and report back his findings.

6. Committee/Department Reports:

A. Board Member Reports

Mr. Spilde update to the board was as follows: On August 23, 2023 the Department of Natural Resources conditionally approved the wellhead protection plan for the Village of Lake Hallie; Hunters Safety Program under the direction of Don Dukerschein submitted a thank-you card to the village signed by all participants for the use of the old municipal building for their class(es); Xcel Energy is holding an open house on September 6, 2023 from 6-8 p.m. on proposed powerlines being installed; new regulations by the post office will require housing developments to have centralized mail boxes, a requirement the Village will incorporate into future development agreements.

Mr. Lehmann encouraged Working Foreman Bautch to obtain prices on a cardboard baler. His thoughts are if the Village invests in a baler, the expense of the dumpsters could be eliminated, and the cardboard could be given away. Mr. Lehmann is aware of other businesses baling their cardboard and will bring information back to the board at a future meeting on how they dispose of the bales.

B. Police Commission/Police Department Update

Chief Orgon updated the board with his September 2023 informational report as follows: 1. From August 26 – September 9, 2023, various law enforcement agencies in Chippewa and Eau Claire Counties will be once again hosting Spanish and German police officers in partnership with the STAR International Police Exchange Organization. STAR was founded in 1985 between American and German officers to create an international platform for law enforcement education and friendship. Sgt. Dan Sokup is hosting a German Officer for the above time. Other program activities during these two weeks include a ride-along, training session with the SWAT team, a

visit at the Stanley Correctional Institution, and a Taser demonstration. 2. The application for the new police officer position ran from August 8th -31st, 2023, and we received ten (10) applications. The first round of interviews consisting of both Sgts and the Corporal, are tentatively scheduled for September 7th with a ride along with the prospective applicants the following weeks and finishing with the Police Commission interview on September 28, 2023. We hope to have the new officer start in late October/early November. 3. Repaired the radiator fan and radiator cap for Squad 19 in the amount of \$961.20. 4. Converted our six current shotguns to a less lethal shotgun option (beanbag) for a total of \$419. 5. On August 12, 2023, at approximately 5:50pm, a Lake Hallie Police Officer was on patrol on NB Highway 124 near North Joles Parkway when he observed a tan colored SUV traveling southbound on Hwy 124 for a speeding violation. As the vehicle was stopping, it entered the Walmart parking lot and crossed into oncoming traffic before moving back to the correct side of the roadway, striking the curb, and eventually parking. The officer spoke with the driver detected the odor of intoxicants coming from the driver's breath, and the speech was slow and lethargic. It was revealed that the driver had an alcohol restriction of no greater than 0.02 and an Ignition Interlock requirement (IID). The driver voluntarily submitted to field sobriety testing and submitted to a preliminary breath test which yielded a result of .17. As a result, the driver was arrested for Operating a Motor Vehicle While Intoxicated -6th Offense, Operating while criminally revoked, failure to install IID, speeding and probation violation.

C. Public Works Department Update

Working Foreman Sam Bautch provided the following update to the board: Road – 120th Street and 24th Avenue which were funded by the 2022 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law have been paved, shouldered, and painted; Mr. Calkins and Mr. Malecki have been shouldering roads within the Village; spray patching of Hughes Addition continues with one road within the addition to be completed and Mr. Calkins continues to do brushing within Bridgeport Area. For the Village Water Utility, Mr. Bautch reported that Total Control Systems has replaced the VFD in Well #3 and the well is back online; hydrants are being flushed; Total Control Systems has completed all necessary work for Well #5 SCADA system; PFAS and lead and copper samples are being taken within the Village.

7. New Business:

A. For discussion/action:

1. Review of Final Plat for Hallie Shores – Homes by Charls, LLC

Mr. Doug Clary, Chippewa County Planning and Zoning presented the final plat for Hallie Shores – Homes by Charls, LLC to the board. The final plat allows for a 66' right-of-way into the development as requested by the board; the stormwater management and erosion control plans are believed to be in the final stages at Chippewa County Land Conservation. The development agreement will be presented at the September 18th Village Board meeting for approval which will include the erosion control and stormwater financial assurances as well as the new postal regulations on centralized collection mailboxes. Mr. Lehmann made a motion to approve the final plat for Hallie Shores – Homes by Charls, LLC as presented contingent on a signed development agreement, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

B. Discuss/approve amending "Exhibit C" Public Improvements for Sunfield Woods Development Agreement

Discussion on amending Exhibit "C" Public Improvements for Sunfield Woods Development Agreement was postponed due to Mr. Steve Haas not being available for the meeting.

C. Discuss/approve Chapter 32 - Floodplain Ordinance (first reading of ordinance – public hearing set for September 18, 2023)

Mr. Doug Clary, Chippewa County Planning and Zoning explained to the board that the Village needed to update their local floodplain ordinance which the first reading of the ordinance was being presented this evening. The changes to the ordinance incorporated regulations put into place over the past 10 years and working the Village Ordinance to be like Chippewa Counties. Adoption of Chapter 32 – Floodplain Ordinance will take place at the September 18, 2023 board meeting and then approved by the DNR and FEMA prior to October 19, 2023. The first reading of the ordinance was approved.

D. Discuss/approve 2024 Budget for Chippewa Fire District

Mr. Spilde reviewed the 2024 Budget for Chippewa Fire District with board members. In the 2024 CFD budget, the district is requesting the 2% Fire Dues to go back to the district. The Village's share of fire dues is approximately \$40,000 which would be nearly a 7% increase in their budget for 2024. After much discussion on the expenditures of the CFD budget and concerns

of the increase, the Village board denied payment of the 2% fire dues to the district and would approve an overall budget increase not to exceed 1.87%. Mr. Spilde will take the board's decision to the next fire board meeting.

- E. Discuss/approve Bow Hunting Permit for Michael Raskie on Village of Lake Hallie **Parcels #22809-2621-00020000** from **September 15 – October 15, 2023**

Mr. Lehmann made a motion to approve a bow hunting permit for Michael Raskie on Village of Lake Hallie **Parcels #22809-2621-00020000** from **September 15 – October 15, 2023**, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

- F. Discuss/approve quote from Montana & Son Grading for fire hydrant replacement on 123rd Street

Mr. Lehmann made a motion to approve a quote from Montana & Son Grading for a fire hydrant replacement on 123rd Street for an amount not to exceed \$6,350.00, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

- G. Discussion/action on chicken ordinance

The Village chicken ordinance/license pertains to properties within the Village that are zoned R-1. A recent concern brought before the LHPD involved a property on 43rd Avenue which is zoned agricultural; therefore is not required to obtain a license from the Village.

8. Old Business:

- A. None

9. Approval of Minutes: Minutes are unapproved & changes could be made when it is addressed during the meeting.

- A. August 21, 2023 Village Board Special Meeting Minutes

- B. August 21, 2023 Village Board Meeting Minutes

Mr. Lehmann made a motion to approve the August 21, 2023 Village Board Special Meeting Minutes and the August 21, 2023 Village Board Meeting Minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

10. Finance:

- A. **Treasurer's Report: (Usually 2nd Meeting of each Month)**

1. None

- B. **Claims & Disbursements.**

1. September 5, 2023 Check Register in the amount of \$43,620.77 (Check numbers #39779-39806)

Mr. Lehmann made a motion to approve the September 5, 2023 claims and disbursements in the amount of \$43,620.77 (Check numbers #39779-39806), seconded by Mr. Johnson. On roll vote, Mr. Lehmann, Mr. Johnson, and Mr. Spilde voting aye. Motion carried.

11. Licensing:

- A. **Operator(s):**

1. See attached list

Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the operators list as presented, seconded by Mr. Lehmann Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

- B. **Social Use Permit/Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License (Village Hall Rental/Park Rental):**

1. None

12. Convene to closed session per Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1)(c) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility (Public Works Operators)

Mr. Lehmann made a motion at 7:50 p.m. to convene to closed session per Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1)(c) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility (Public Works Operators), seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

13. Re-Convene to open session. Announce any action taken in closed session.

Mr. Johnson made a motion at 8:40 p.m. to re-convene to open session, seconded by Mr. Lehmann. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

Action: No action from closed session

14. Adjournment.

Mr. Lehmann made a motion at 8:40 p.m. to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

Respectfully submitted;

Kris Fitzsimmons
Clerk-Treasurer