



**VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2024 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 of the Wisconsin State Statutes at 7:00 p.m. by President Spilde.

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

3. Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of the January 15, 2024 Agenda as presented

Mr. Lehmann made a motion to approve the January 15, 2024 Village Board Meeting Agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. Berg. 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.

No comments from the public in attendance.

6. Committee/Department Reports:

A. Board Member Reports

Mr. Spilde updated the board of the notice/review requirement of the Supplemental Development Agreement by and between the Village of Lake Hallie and TMC of Eau Claire, LLC. The agreement states that the Village agrees that it will, at least bi-annually, notify the members of the Village Board of the existence of this supplemental agreement. Mr. Spilde met this requirement at this evening's meeting; also noting to the Board that TMC of Eau Claire, LLC notified the Village Clerk today, January 15, 2024 of the same.

Additionally, Mr. Spilde stated that he was meeting with Ayres Associates and Chippewa County to discuss future improvements planned for County Hwy OO.

Mr. Berg attended the Hallie Girls Softball meeting on Monday, January 8, 2024 stating that it was a good meeting and that the relationship between the Village and HGS should be good going forward.

B. Police Chief/Police Commission Update

Chief Orgon presented the following December 2023 update to the board:

Complaints and Activities

22 Vehicle Crashes 15 Alarms and 911 Calls/Misdials
7 Animal Complaints 25 Assist Citizen/Motorist
8 Assist other Agencies 11 Battery/Disorderly/Harassment
4 Property Located 10 Burglary/Theft/Robbery
8 Child Custody/Domestic Disturbances 1 Missing Persons/Property
5 Crisis Interventions/Suicide Attempts 9 Civil Disputes & Building Checks
2 Damage to Property/Vandalism 7 Drug Related Complaints
12 Traffic Hazards 21 EMS/Fire Calls/Death
5 Fraud/Identity Theft/Fraudulent Activities 7 Juvenile Related Complaints
2 Noise/Music Complaints 3 Probation/Court Order/ Complaint
1 Sexual Assaults/Abuse of Vulnerable 42 Suspicious Circumstances

19 Traffic Complaints 6 Crimes – Other
3 Recreational Related/Trespassing 12 Municipal Code & Parking
Total – 267

Arrests/Citations

12 Driver License (Susp/Revoke/None) Viol. 2 Operate while Intoxicated.
7 Vehicle Registration 1 Child/Seatbelt Violations
7 Insurance Related Violations 9 Speeding
0 Hit and Run/ Failure to Notify 2 Too Fast/Inattentive/Too Close
5 Miscellaneous Traffic Citations 2 Failure to Obey Sign/Signal
2 Underage Drinking/Tavern Related Offenses 8 Warrant/Probation/Parole Arrest
0 Damage to Property 2 Other Ordinance Violations
10 Battery/Disorderly Cond/Resisting/Obstruct 2 Theft of Property/Vehicle
1 Burglary/Robbery/Trespass to Dwelling 4 Financial Crimes
12 Drug Related Arrests 1 Sexual Assault/Child Crimes
1 Reckless/Disorderly Driving 4 Other Criminal/Weapons
Total – 94

Total Traffic Stops: 139

Written Traffic Warnings: 12 Issued Parking Citations: 15

Amount of Property Damaged/Stolen: \$13,073 Property Recovered: \$807

C. Public Works Department Update

Public Works Foreman Bautch presented the following update to the board:

7. New Business:

A. Public Hearing – For Discussion and Action:

1. Variance Petition: #2024-0001: Electric Real Estate LLC (Todd Schwartz)

Mr. Spilde opened the public hearing at 7:13 p.m. for Variance Petition #2024-0001 – Electric Real Estate LLC (Todd Schwartz). Mr. Doug Clary, Chippewa County Planning and Zoning was in attendance to review Variance Petition #2024-0001 Electric Real Estate, LLC (Todd Schwartz). This variance request is to rearrange lot lines between an existing non-conforming lot and existing conforming lot. The lots associated with this request were impacted with the rerouting of CTH OO during the Hwy 29 and Hwy 53 project in the early 2000's. Realistically, the lots, which became non-conforming should have been dealt with during the planning phase of this project. If approved, there will still be two lots in the area and should be able to issue the appropriate permits for structures and uses as long as they are in compliance with the applicable ordinances. Mr. Clary's staff recommendation was to recommend **APPROVAL** of the variance request. While a hardship does not exist and it is not unnecessarily burdensome for the property owner to comply with the regulations, the creation of these lots was not a self-created hardship. A certified survey map shall be submitted for approval and then recorded in the Chippewa County Register of Deeds Office as well as the property owner will still be required to obtain the necessary permit for any structure. Mr. Spilde closed the public hearing for Variance Petition #2024-0001 at 7:22 p.m. Mr. Berg made a motion to approve Variance Petition #2024-0001 Electric Real Estate LLC (Todd Schwartz) to allow for straightening out of the lot lines as well as with the staff recommendation to approve the request, seconded by Mr. Greenwood. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

B. Video Presentation by Holly Hakes of Hakes Wellness Solution as it relates to implementing a Wellness Program for the Lake Hallie Police Department allowing for board action/approval

Chief Orgon offered to present a video by Holly Hakes of Hakes Wellness Solution explaining the importance of implementing a Wellness Program or to explain to the Board what services Ms. Hakes had to offer. The Board chose to listen to an explanation by Chief Orgon as follows: Hakes Wellness Solutions - Hakes Wellness Solutions provides annual mental health wellness checks for law enforcement officers. The cost is \$100 per officer (\$1200) for an annual visit, due to the specific trauma they experience witnessing as part of their job duties. Many law enforcement agencies now conduct these checks as a standard part of their employee wellness strategy. It is mandatory for officers to attend which helps overcome the mental health stigma otherwise preventing officers from reaching out for help. Trauma is cumulative and police officers are one profession that experiences an amount of felt and witnessed trauma far more than the average person. In Law Enforcement this results in increased rates of divorce, alcohol issues and suicide. These checks can provide a critical opportunity to get help and prevent a tragedy.

- This company works specifically with law enforcement, which is a unique demographic with specific challenges with mental health and wellness.
- Agencies conducting annual wellness checks with Hakes Wellness Solutions include:
 - Wisconsin Department of Justice – Division of Criminal Investigations

- Chippewa Falls Police Department
- Eau Claire Police Department
- Altoona Police Department
- Clark County Sheriff's Department
- Wausau Police Department
- Rice Lake Police Department

Additionally, the department would offer three visits (\$450 X 12=\$5400) per officer to speak with Hakes Wellness Solutions based on the critical incidents throughout the year. Mr. Lehmann made a motion to approve the implementation of a Wellness Program for the Lake Hallie Police Department with Hakes Wellness Solution, seconded by Mr. Berg. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

- C. Discuss/approve moving forward with changing the agreement with Town of Hallie to CPI for Village Services

Mr. Spilde informed the board that the Town of Hallie agreed to amending the Supplemental Memorandum of Understanding to change the contribution to the cost model to be CPI instead of the fixed rate currently as part of the MOU. Mr. Spilde intends to meet with Attorney Raihle to draft an addendum to the MOU. Once completed, Mr. Spilde will present to the Village board for approval.

- D. Discuss/approve allowing Kristina Anglemyer to serve on the Police Commission for a period of six-months allowing time for her replacement on the Commission due to relocating out of the Village

Mr. Berg made a motion to allow Kristina Anglemyer to serve on the Police Commission for a period of six-months allowing time for her replacement on the Commission due to relocating out of the Village, seconded by Mr. Lehmann. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

- E. Discuss/approve authorizing Russel Malecki and James Herrick to attend Water Operator Certification Training Courses at CVTC at a cost not to exceed \$487.50 **each** (Courses: Groundwater Supply and Distribution Certification)

Mr. Lehmann made a motion authorizing Russel Malecki and James Herrick to attend Water Operator Certification Training Courses at CVTC at a cost not to exceed \$487.50 **each** (Courses: Groundwater Supply and Distribution Certification), seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

- F. Discuss/approve authorizing President Spilde and Clerk Fitzsimmons to extend an offer for the part-time Office Assistant position (Resolution for approval to be presented at the February 5, 2024 meeting for board approval)

Mr. Lehmann made a motion authorizing President Spilde and Clerk Fitzsimmons to extend an offer for the part-time Office Assistant position (Resolution for approval to be presented at the February 5, 2024 meeting for board approval), seconded by Mr. Berg. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

8. Old Business:

- A. None

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

- A. January 2, 2024 Village Board Meeting Minutes

Mr. Berg made a motion to approve the January 2, 2024 Village Board Meeting Minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Greenwood. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

10. Finance:

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

1. December, 2023 Treasurer's Report
2. December, 2023 Profit & Loss Statement
3. December, 2023 Investment Summary

Mr. Lehmann made a motion to approve the December 2023 Treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Mr. Berg. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

B. Claims & Disbursements.

1. January 15, 2024 Check Register in the amount of \$2,486,689.87 (check range #40151-40187 Tax Collection check #3725-3730)

Mr. Lehmann made a motion to approve the January 15, 2024 Claims & Disbursements in the amount of \$2,486,689.87 (check range #40151-40187 Tax Collection check #3725-3730), seconded by Mr. Johnson. On roll call vote Mr. Lehmann, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Spilde and Mr. Berg voting aye. Motion carried.

11. Licensing:

A. Operator(s):

1. Angelica Susen for Slims (new)

B. Social Use Permit/Temporary Class “B” Retailer’s License (Village Hall Rental/Park Rental):

1. Kelly Hazelton ~ 3957 139th Street, Lake Hallie on April 27, 2024 for a Memorial Service

Mr. Berg, on single vote made a motion to approve an Operators License for Angelica Susen and a Social Use permit for Kelly Hazelton ~ 3957 139th Street, Lake Hallie on April 27, 2024 for a Memorial Service, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

12. Adjournment.

Mr. Greenwood made a motion at 7:45 p.m. to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Lehmann. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

Respectfully submitted

Kris Fitzsimmons
Clerk-Treasurer