



VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 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 and 19.85 (1)(c) of the Wisconsin State Statutes by President Spilde at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call: Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Hudson, Mr. Spilde, Mr. Berg, and Mr. Lehmann. Attorney David Raihle also in attendance.

3. Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of the September 3, 2024 Agenda as presented

Mr. Berg made a motion to approve the September 3, 2024 Village Board Meeting Agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. Hudson. 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.

Mike Raskie, 3090 110th Street, Lake Hallie inquired on the flagging on the 30th Avenue hill project. Mr. Spilde indicated that the road project is scheduled to begin in the next week or two, also stating that the cost of the project came in just shy of \$400,000.

6. Committee/Department Reports:

A. Board Member Reports

Mr. Spilde stated that he would be attending the ribbon cutting ceremony for Venture Academy on Wednesday, September 4, 2024. In addition, Mr. Spilde stated that the ditch work on 156th Street was re-done, which must have helped as no concerns were expressed after the recent rainfalls.

B. Police Commission/Police Department Update

Chief Orgon provided an update to the board as follows: September 2024 Information

- On August 6, 2024, Chief Orgon, Officers Jamie Court, and Danielle Nelson attended National Night Out at the Chippewa County Fairground. We handed out stickers, cards, tattoos and let numerous children sit in Squad 21 for photos. The total attendance was approximately 2500 people.
- On August 19, 2024, Chief Orgon, Officer Jamie Court, Sgt. Dan Sokup and K-9 Kita spoke to beginning hunters at the Hunter Education Course at old Village Hall.
- On August 21, 2024, the Police Department received a \$1000 gift card from Scheel's Sporting goods store in Eau Claire to help with the purchase of two Remington 870 shotguns which will be converted into less-lethal shotguns. This donation will enable all the patrol vehicles to be equipped with a less lethal shotgun. Additionally, we received rifle magazines and metal shooting targets with the gift card.
- On August 31, 2024, Officer Samantha Lancette completed her Field Training Program and started working patrol shifts on her own. Officer Lancette will be assigned the overnight shift (9:00pm-7:30am).
- The 2020 Dodge Charger (#20) had the radiator and radiator hose fixed by Morris Dodge in the amount of \$2,633.80.

- Between June 27th and August 6, 2024, there were multiple vehicle thefts and thefts from vehicles that occurred in neighborhoods throughout the Village of Lake Hallie. One of those vehicle thefts resulted in a short vehicle pursuit on July 27, 2024. On August 8, 2024, investigators identified a suspect based on information obtained from Crime Stoppers and the Chippewa Falls Police Department. On August 14, 2024, a Lake Hallie Police Detective and Lake Hallie Police Officer interviewed the suspect, a juvenile male, who confessed to four vehicle thefts, a vehicle/boat theft, and two thefts from vehicles. All vehicles and the boat were recovered and returned to their respective owners. The juvenile is being referred to Chippewa County Juvenile Intake for the following charges: felony Knowingly Fleeing an officer, two felony counts of Operating a Motor Vehicle without owner's consent causing damage; two misdemeanor counts of theft from vehicle; two misdemeanor counts of Operating a motor vehicle without owner's consent - abandoned in 24 hours with no damage and one count of misdemeanor disorderly conduct.

C. Parks Commission Update

Mr. Berg indicated that the park is being winterized, prepping to be closed for the season; a soccer jamboree is scheduled for this upcoming weekend; Mr. Brinkman indicated at the Parks Commission meeting his willingness to return for the 2025 Park season, long enough to open the park in the Spring and then turning over the supervisor role to the new summer employees.

7. New Business:

A. Discuss/approve Amendment to Agreement with Ayres Associates for Construction and Post Construction Phase of 30th Avenue Reconstruction Project not to exceed \$20,000

Mr. Lehmann made a motion to approve an amendment to the agreement with Ayres Associates for Construction and Post Construction Phase of the 30th Avenue Reconstruction project at a cost not to exceed \$20,000, seconded by Mr. Berg. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

B. Discuss/approve 1st reading of Ordinance to Repeal and Recreate Section 4.1.06 Village Roads, Names, Fire Numbers and Highway Signs.

Mr. Spilde expressed his dismay on the draft ordinance which indicates all responsibility of naming roads, issuing fire numbers and installation of the signed being turned over to the Village, a task that Chippewa County Emergency Management has handled in past years. His concern is that many of the responsibilities that the County has assisted in are now being turned over to the Village. Mr. Berg stated he does not want to see the mapping/issuance of house numbers become the responsibility of the Village. A draft MOU will be forwarded to the Village Board members and the Village Attorney for their review and consideration for approval at the September 16, 2024 board meeting. No action was taken on the 1st reading of the Ordinance to Repeal and Recreate Section 4.1.06 Village Roads, Names, Fire Numbers and Highway signs.

C. Review of proposed 2025 Budget for Chippewa Fire District

Mr. Spilde presented the proposed 2025 budget for the Chippewa Fire District. Two budgets were presented to the Fire Board, one which indicated a 1.97% budget increase where ambulance expenses were levied at 60% and 40% through ambulance reimbursement to cover expenditures. The second budget indicated a 9.7% budget increase which levied 65% of the ambulance expenditures. Mr. Spilde informed the board that on the levy limit worksheet line I allowance for an adjustment to 2024 payable 2025 levy for increase in charges assessed by a joint fire department or a joint emergency medical services district can be added, of which all members of the district must be below CPI plus 2% and adopt a resolution allowing for the increase to be levied. CPI will be released from the DOR mid-September and the Village Board will review the Fire District budget once again at the September 16, 2024 Board meeting. Mr. Spilde is working with the staff of the Clerk's office to address questions we have with the DOR.

D. Discuss/approve Resolution #2024-26 ~ Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

Mr. Lehmann made a motion to approve Resolution #2024-26 ~ Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, seconded by Mr. Berg. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

E. Discuss/approve quotes from Ewald Automotive Group for a 2025 Ford Police Interceptor at a cost not to exceed \$45,119.00 AND GenComm to equip said squad for \$16,004.01

Chief Orgon reviewed quotes from Ewald Automotive Group for a 2025 Ford Police Interceptor and the GenComm quote to equip the new squad. The expense, totaling approximately \$61,123, will be budgeted for in the Police Capital Outlay budget for 2025. Chief Orgon was looking for approval to order the police interceptor as delivery date it approximately eight months out.

Mr. Berg made a motion to approve the quotes from Ewald Automotive Group for a 2025 Ford Police Interceptor at a cost not to exceed \$45,119.00 AND GenComm to equip said squad for \$16,004.01, seconded by Mr. Greenwood. Motion carried on

unanimous voice vote by members present.

8. Old Business:

A. Update on ATV use on roadways within Village limits, allowing for action/approval

The board once again reviewed the proposed Lake Hallie ATV/UTV route as proposed by Lafayette ATV Club.

Review of the proposed designated routes which included:

Operation of ATV/UTV in Village of Lake Halie Limited to Designated Route. ATV/UTV shall not be operated upon any street, highway or alley, nor upon any public property in the Village subject to the following express exceptions:

(1) Upon the designated route.

(2) Upon a street, highway or alley right-of-way providing the most direct route between an ATV/UTV operator's place of residence in the Village and the designated route. The sole reason for allowing the use of streets, highways or alleys other than those incorporated into the designated route for ATV/UTV operation purposes shall be limited strictly to access to and from the designated route for ATV/UTV operators whose places of residence are in the Village. At all times when operating on other than the designated route, ATV/UTV operators shall comply with speed and right-of-way limitations as set forth at Section 350.02 and 350.03, Wis. Stats. (d) Rules of Operation. ATV/UTVs operated on designated ATV/UTV routes over public highways shall observe the rules of the road for motor vehicles set forth in Chapter 346, Wis. Stats., and Title 10 of this Code of Ordinances, which is hereby adopted by reference and made part of this Chapter as if fully set forth herein. Any act required to be performed or prohibited by such laws is required or prohibited by this Section. The provisions describing and defining regulations with respect to all-terrain vehicles in the following enumerated Subsections of Sec. 23.33, Wis. Stats., and any future amendments or revisions, are hereby adopted by reference and made part of this Section as if fully set forth herein. Any acts required to be performed by the following Statutory Subsections, or which are prohibited by such Statutory Subsections are required to be performed by this Section or are prohibited by this Section: 23.33(2) 23.33(3) 23.33(4) 23.33(5)(a)(c) 23.33(6) 23.33(7) 23.33(1) Sec. 10-4-2 (a) Purpose. Registration Rules of operation [including Subsections (a) through (i)] Operation on or near highway [including Subsections (a) through (e)] Age restrictions Equipment requirements [including Subsections (a) through (e)] Accidents [including Subsections (a) and (b)] Definitions [including Subsections (a) through (n)] Unauthorized Operation of Motor Vehicles on Public or Private Property. (1) The unauthorized off-road operation of motor vehicles has resulted in serious damage to public and private lands including damage or destruction of vegetation, animal life and improvement to the lands.

and (2) The unauthorized off-road operation of motor vehicles has resulted in the permanent scarring of land and an increase in both erosion and air pollution; and (3) The unauthorized off-road operation of motor vehicles has resulted in collisions and near collisions threatening the life and safety of the operators of such vehicles as well as of other persons; and (4) The unauthorized off-road operation of motor vehicles has resulted in a loss of the privacy, quietude and serenity to which the owners and users of land are rightfully entitled. (b) Definitions. For purposes of this Section, the terms below shall be defined as follows: (5) Unauthorized shall mean without the express prior consent of the owner, lessee, manager or other person authorized to give consent by the owner or lessee of land. Authorization shall not be implied from a failure to post private or public land. (6) Off-Road shall mean any location which: a. Is not a paved or maintained public street or alley, or b. Is not used or maintained by the owner or lessee of land as a driveway, parking lot or other way for motor vehicles, or c. Is a private trail for use only by the owner or his/her permittees for recreational or other vehicular use. Off-road shall not include any creek bed, riverbed or lake provided, however, that this Subsection shall not apply to ATV/UTVs, or other vehicles being operated on the ice covering such creek bed, riverbed or lake. (7) Operation shall mean the physical manipulation or activation of any of the controls of a motor vehicle necessary to put it in motion. (8) Motor Vehicle shall mean, for purposes of this Section, any vehicle which is self-propelled and shall include but not be limited to automobiles, trucks, jeeps, vans, motorcycles, motorbikes, go-karts, motorized three-wheeled vehicles, all-terrain vehicles, mopeds, ATV/UTVs, dune buggies and tractors. Motor vehicle shall not mean any airplane, railroad train, boat, wheelchair or bicycle. A vehicle which would otherwise be defined as a motor vehicle under this Section shall not be so defined while: (a) It is being operated solely for the purpose of construction or maintenance of an improvement to land or solely for access to construction or maintenance sites provided such operation is by persons having legitimate business on such lands or sites. (b) It is being operated by or at the direction of public employees or utility company employees as part of their employment duties. c. It is being operated by the holder of an easement or right of access on or over the land on which the operation is occurring or the holder's employees or agents. (c) Unauthorized Off-road Operation Prohibited. (1) Unauthorized off-road operation of a motor vehicle is prohibited.

Discussion between the Village Board and members of the ATV club were enforcement concerns, hours of operation, road identification (which roads can be traveled on), the need to adopt an ordinance and fee schedule for violations. Mr. Berg made a motion to conservatively move forward with review of an ATV/UTV ordinance and proposed fee schedule update if violations occur, seconded by Mr. Greenwood. On voice vote, Mr. Berg, Mr., Greenwood, Mr. Hudson and Mr. Lehmann voting aye. Mr. Spilde voting nay. Motion carried on 4 – 1 voice vote. Mr. Berg informed the ATV club that the Village Board will update the ordinance and fee schedule and bring back on the October 21, 2024 Village Board meeting agenda.

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

A. August 19, 2024 Village Board Meeting Minutes

B. August 26, 2024 Village Board Special Meeting Minutes

Mr. Lehmann made a motion to approve the August 19, 2024 Village Board Meeting Minutes and the August 26,

2024 Village Board Special Meeting Minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Berg. 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 3, 2024 Check Register in the amount of \$76,343.34 (manual check #2931-2934; Check #40856-40890)

Mr. Lehmann made a motion to approve the September 3, 2024 Claims & Disbursements in the amount of \$76,343.34 (manual check #2931-2934; Check #40856-40890), seconded by Mr. Hudson. On roll call vote, Mr. Lehmann, Mr. Berg, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Hudson and Mr. Spilde voting aye. Motion carried.

11. Licensing:

A. Operator(s):

1. See attached list

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

1. None

Mr. Berg made a motion to approve the Operator's List as presented, seconded by Mr. Hudson. Motion carried on unanimous voice.

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 (Lake Hallie Police Department Detective)

Mr. Berg made a motion at 8:12 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 (Lake Hallie Police Department Detective), seconded by Mr. Greenwood. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

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

Mr. Berg made a motion at 8:26 p.m. to re-convene to open session, seconded by Mr. Greenwood. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

Action of closed session: No action to announce from closed session.

14. Adjournment.

Mr. Berg made a motion at 8:26 p.m. to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Greenwood. Motion carried on unanimous voice vote by members present.

Respectfully submitted;

Kris Fitzsimmons
Clerk-Treasurer