

## **PROCEEDINGS OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF REESEVILLE November 14, 2024**

A duly convened meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Reeseville, Dodge County, Wisconsin, was held in open session on November 14, 2024, and called to order by Village President, Brian Miller, at 6:30pm. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken, and the following Trustees were present, Dave Snow, Jim Bublitz, Jacob Pacala, and Kevin Hanks, Anna Volkova and Cheryl Goodrich. Notice of the meeting was given to the public at least 48 hours prior to the meeting by posting the complete agenda at the Reeseville Village Hall, the Reeseville Post Office. J. Bublitz made a motion to approve the consent agenda, the motion was seconded by J. Pacala, motion carried.

### **Public comment: None**

**Engineer Report:** Tammy Hampton report on the 2025 Dewey, Garfield and Sharp Ave project, we will start accepting bids December 3-10, 2024, and opening of bids will be December 19, 2024. Tammy reported Midwest General inquired if a storm drain could be put in with the construction of the 2025 project, Don Neitzel stated they could put the storm drain in if the village board approves it. Sidewalks replaced Don will check into replacing only existing ones. Specialty Cheese is looking to rezone the nature conservancy to LM-1 Manufacturing, Brian Miller questioned why rezoning wasn't taken care of prior to this? Margaret said Specialty Cheese will need to fill out an application, pay application fee, and then a hearing will be scheduled and property owners will be notified of the hearing. Specialty Cheese asked the board to approve 2 tanks instead of the 3 originally approved, Jim Bublitz made a motion to approve the 2 tanks and the motion was seconded by Jacob Pacala, motion carried and Cheryl Goodrich abstained. Jim Bublitz made a motion to move item 8 up, the motion was seconded by Jacob Pacala, motion carried. Tammy Hampton explained the non-competitive procurement standard to the village board, and Tammy needs our bank info by next week for funds to be deposited into, and to file the form if we want Kunkel to be the engineer. Jim Bublitz made a motion to file the request for non-competitive procurement of professional services, the motion was seconded by Jacob Pacala, motion carried.

**Protection of Persons, Property and Safety:** No representation from Dodge County Sheriff Dept., Kevin Hanks gave the monthly report. Kevin reported he spoke with the village attorney and will have more information in December regarding the case. Margaret asked if any citations were issued with the recent dog bite that happened on Prairie St. and for non-registration of the dogs, Kevin will look into this and have more in December. CLR report, they did not receive the new grant they applied for, and the interior of new building is not completely finished. The board reviewed the Lifestar report. The board discussed cameras and will be looking at 10 to be placed throughout the village, more will be discussed next month.

### **Residence Board Reports and Updates: No Update**

**Library report:** The Grant was discussed; the bulk of the work will be done in 2025. A special committee board will be appointed, the board will consist of 2 people from the library board and 2 people from the village board to help oversee the renovations of the 2025 project.

**Utilities:** Ken (DPW) reported the ponds are doing good. The blower and tank work will be done on Monday. Aquarius will do the training with our DPW. Ken reported the details are being worked for the generator to be installed by water tower. Ken reported the old John Deere the PTO take off is not working, Jim Bublitz explained we could sell the old John Deere on auction, and Jim got prices for replacing the old JD, John Deere with front end loader and brush was \$62,500, a Kubota was \$58,000 and they would finance, and without a back hole the price was \$46,000. F&M State bank will finance us also, Jim will have more information next meeting. Ken is signed up in the spring to get his certification completed. Jacob Pacala went over contract for DPW and assistant, with new job description and pre-employment. Kevin Hanks made a motion to approve the format of pre-employment, new job description, the motion was seconded by Jim Bublitz, motion carried. The board discussed hiring Joe Wagner for 30 to 35 hours at \$20 an hour, plus a cell phone and starting 01/01/2025 to take on lawn mowing the ball field, maintenance at the ball diamond and park maintenance or as needed, a motion to approve hiring Joe Wagner was made by Jim Bublitz and seconded by Kevin Hanks, motion carried and Brian Miller and Cheryl Goodrich abstained.

**Streets and Alleys:** Barricades have been placed by the driveway entrance at the library do to a sink hole, Lauersdorf will fix the soft spot and fill it back in as soon as he is done with his job he is currently working on. Jim reported that a section on Firehouse Dr. is breaking up and will need to be fixed soon.

**Finances:** Margaret reported the election went well; the village had a total of 407 voters which is a record. Margaret thanked all her poll workers for there help in 2024. Margaret reported that all special assessment letters in 2025 for the sale of properties will cost \$75 starting in 2025. Margaret spoke with Gworks regarding the new invoice for 2025 and not up and active yet in 2024 and a credit was issued on the 2025 bill and will work on resolving issues we are experiencing. Kassie reported she will be working on updating route books for meter readings and Kassie would like to be part of DPW meetings to help her with the learning process of everything. Kassie reported we had a problem with mailing out past due water and sewer bills, we had a least 12 returned because residents are not updating their account information as we requested, a letter will go out with tax statements this year. A motion to approve the 2025 budget as presented was made by Jacob Pacala, the motion was seconded by Anna Volkova, motion carried. Jacob Pacala reported he is working with Cheryl Goodrich and Denise Beal on the RCC bookkeeping and updating a system for them.

**Public Health & welfare:** Jim reported he is working on the new cemetery computer software. Jim reported we did get replacement garbage and recycling bin if anyone has a damaged one that needs replacing contact the DPW office. Jim reported we had 825lbs of recycling electronics picked up for the month of October.

**Public Property:** Anna will call around and get estimates on a fence by ball diamond and gate for wastewater treatment plant.

**Community Center:** The RCC board is looking to fill the vacant position of Cherie Behymer, anyone interested please reach out to Village President Brian Miller. The village board thanked Cherie Behymer for serving on the RCC board. No meeting was held in the month of November.

**Future agenda items:** Fence removal/replacement on back of basketball court, Humane Society contract, Cameras, Attorney update, Sidewalks, Cemetery, Specialty Cheese partial annexation and rezoning, appointment to RCC board

A motion to approve bills was made by Kevin Hankes, the motion was seconded by Jake Pacala, motion carried. A motion to adjourn was made by Cheryl Goodrich and seconded by Kevin Hankes, motion carried.

Margaret Schmidt Clerk-Treasurer

The minutes are not approved by the village board until the following months meeting.