

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING – May 6th , 2024, PAGE 1

The Friendship Village Board meeting was called to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by all present. President Tony Sindelar called the meeting to order and roll call was taken. Present were Trustees Ernie Klicko, Jason Pierce, Jerry Sonnenberg, Brad Oberbeck, Melvin Waller, and President Sindelar. Also present were Public Works Director Brent Frank, Attorney Flanagan, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Rebecca Reuter. Bob Berry was not in attendance.

Attorney Flanagan administered the Oath of Office to Newly Elected Officials. Newly elected Trustees are Jerry Sonnenberg, Jason Pierce, Melvin Waller.

APPROVAL OF APRIL 8TH, 2024, BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MOTION by Klicko, second by Waller to approve the April 8th, 2024, Village Board minutes, motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT IF AVAILABLE

No report was available.

PAYING OF BILLS

MOTION by Klicko, Oberbeck second by to approve April vouchers 27121-27153 in the amount of \$42,668.40, Motion carried.

PRESIDENT SINDELAR TO MAKE FINANCE/PERSONNEL & PUBLIC WORKS

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Finance/Personnel Committee - Ernie Klicko (Chairman), Jerry Sonnenberg, Brad Oberbeck
Public Works Committee – Jason Pierce (Chairman), Bob Berry, Melvin Waller

APPOINT FOUR CITIZENS & ONE VILLAGE BOARD MEMBER TO SERVE ON THE PLAN COMMISSION

Tony Sindelar, Brent Frank, Ray Churchill (1 Year Term), Jason Pierce (1 Year Term), Dave Steiner (3 Year Term), Laura Brown (3 Year Term), and Tom Pierce (3 Year Term) are appointed to the Plan Commission.

APPOINT FIVE CITIZEN MEMBERS TO SERVE ON THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

3 Year Terms - Charles Spargo , Steve Parrott, Ray Churchill, Verne Twachtman are appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals, and one person TBD next month.

APPOINT TRUSTEE TO SERVE AS VILLAGE REPRESENTATIVE TO ATTEND FRIENDSHIP LAKE DISTRICT MEETINGS

Jerry Sonnenberg was appointed as the Village representative to the Friendship Lake District.

APPOINT BOARD MEMBER TO SERVE ON THE AMBULANCE COMMITTEE

Tony Sindelar was appointed as the Village representative to the Ambulance Committee.

APPOINT BOARD MEMBER TO SERVE ON THE FIRE DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Ernie Klicko was appointed as the Village representative to the Adams Co. Fire District.

DESIGNATE OFFICAL DEPOSITORIES, NEWSPAPER FOR PUBLICTIONS, POSTING LOCATIONS & OFFICAL RADIO STATION

Official Depositories: One Community Bank, BMO Harris Bank, Royal Bank, and WI Department of Administration.

Official Newspaper: News Publishing Company (Adams-Friendship Times Reporter)

Official Posting Locations: Village Hall, Village of Friendship's website

(villageoffriendship.com), Friendship Post Office, and Adams County Community Center

Official Radio Station: WCWI 106.1 FM

MOTION by Sonnenberg, second by Klicko to approve Designated Depositories, Newspaper, Posting Locations, and Radio Station, motion carried.

CITIZEN INPUT

Nadine Ashworth from 202 East Lake Street. She is frustrated and feels nothing is being done to clean up the property across the street from hers. She keeps bringing her concerns before the Village Board, and she would like some answers. Sindelar stated that citizen input is a time for the citizens to bring concerns before the Village Board. Sonnenberg suggested that she could be put on the June agenda, and that a discussion on the property she's concerned about could be discussed then. Nadine agreed and will be put on the agenda for next month.

REPORT FROM COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE RICK PEASE

The County recently approved all the committees, and the new ward members have been assigned.

PROPOSAL FROM TERI CAMP ON PARCEL 126-00023-0000

Teri Camp passed out a Comparative Market Analysis on parcel 126-00023-000. She stated that the property is zoned conservancy. She talked to Jeremy Phillis, and he thought it could be built on. Teri looked at what 1-2 acres are selling for. Teri thinks a fair market price would be somewhere between \$30,000 and \$39,900. **MOTION** by Oberbeck, second by Klicko have this as a decision, and action next month, motion carried.

DISCUSS A RESOLUTION TERMINATING TAX INCREMENTAL DISTRICT NO. 1

Flanagan stated that we are at end of life for TID 1. The TID terms out in 27 years. We need to terminate TID 1. A resolution was prepared by Attorney Flanagan. **MOTION** by Sonnenberg, second by Klicko to pass Resolution Number 2024-5-6, motion carried.

UPDATE ON EAST LAKE STREET PROPERTY

Sindelar stated that he is overseeing the male who lives at the property. He has been told again that he needs to work on getting everything cleaned up. He tells Sindelar one thing, but then doesn't do it. Pierce the Chairman for Public Works said that the Public Works Committee drove by the house a few weeks ago and discussed the property. Pierce wanted to know if the Village could start disciplinary action against them again. Flanagan stated that we have an agreement that the property is going to get cleaned up. Flanagan suggested we enforce the agreement we have with them. The Village needs to work within the dollar amount that is left for cleanup and get ahold of Fenner's to clean it up. Flanagan stated that we need to get ahold of the property owner to move this forward and get it done. Pierce stated that he and the Public Works Committee will look at the agreement again to see what can be done.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSER REQUEST FROM AMERICAN LEGION RED CLOUD POST 205

The American Legion Red Cloud Post 250, at 207 Main Street asked for permission to close part of West 2nd Street to the alley & the alley behind the post on May 18th for Armed Forces Day. The Village Board discussed the Hwy 13 road project, and if the road would still be open. **MOTION** by Klicko, second by Sonnenberg to allow the temporary road closer for the American Legion Red Cloud Post 250 if it doesn't interfere with construction, motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Pierce stated that the Public Works Committee did a drive around the Village to look at nuisance properties. They have 3 that will be receiving letters.

The property owner at East Raymond Street has not moved his fence. Flanagan stated that we are at the point of a follow up letter, and then a citation. Frank went over and found the corner stake of the property and flagged it out on March 6th. Flanagan will work with Frank to send out the final letter.

Hydro Corp is done with meter installations. Frank has around 50 that still need to be installed. Frank is having a hard time getting ahold of people to let him in to do the installation. Flanagan stated that it is Hydro Corp's responsibility to do the installations per the contract that the Village signed with them. Frank and Flanagan will take a closer look at the contract and see what it states.

The Hwy 13 road project started on May 6th, with an end date of October of this year. Apart from the streetlights that will be done in January 2025.

ADAMS CO. FIRE DISTRICT REPORT

Trustee Klicko stated the new firetruck has been put into operation. The ladder truck has been out for service. A new UTV was purchased for \$24,000 from a fundraiser. They will keep the old one in service. At the membership meeting they talked about filling swimming pools for residents, they would use that money for fundraising funds. Next meeting is May 9th at 6:00.

AMBULANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Sindelar stated that the ambulance committee meeting was on April 24th. Lifestar gave their general report. Trips, falls, and age care transport were the majority of their calls, and they went to Moundview Hospital. They talked a little bit about the new contract. Our current contract is due at the end of this year in December. The negotiation talks have started. Lifestar did bring some numbers to show the Committee about the range they're looking at. Lifestar was asked to put a true proposal together for the next meeting, so the Committee members can bring it back to their Boards and talk about it. Then at the next Ambulance meeting they could have it signed, so we can start working on the budget process. Sindelar stated that there will be a significant increase in the contract. There are many variables that cause that, covid, qualified employees, other hospitals and ERs are paying more, getting updated equipment. Next meeting is July 24th at 6:00.

FRIENDSHIP LAKE DISTRICT REPORT

Sindelar stated Friendship Lake weed harvesting will begin May 15th. Upcoming events that they have going on are May 11th the Duck Derby at Friendship Park the Lake District is going to be having a brat fry, August 10th is the Lake District's Dan Mulligans golf outing at the Moundview Golf Course. The next meetings will be - June 6th, July 11th, August 8th and November 7th, the annual meeting & budget hearing is August 31st all at Adams Town Hall.

CONSIDERATION & ACTION ON THE APPROVAL OF SODA LICENSES, OPERATOR LICENSES, PROVISIONAL OPERATOR'S LICENSE, TEMPORARY CLASS "B" RETAILERS LICENSE

SODA LICENSE

MOTION by Pierce, second by Oberbeck to approve the soda licenses for the Friendship Lake District, and Knights of Columbus Council 6718, motion carried.

OPERATOR LICENSE

MOTION by Pierce, second by Sonnenberg to approve the Operator license for Todd Hanson, motion carried.

PROVISIONAL OPERATOR LICENSE

MOTION by Pierce, second by Oberbeck to approve Provisional Operator's licenses for Deanne Rieque, Jean Bartz, Cassandra Bignell, Nicole Gulrud, and Casandra Burns, motion carried.

TEMPORARY CLASS "B" RETAILERS LICENSE

MOTION by Pierce, second by Oberbeck to approve Temporary Class "B" Retailer's licenses for Adams County Snowmobile Association, Glassic Dee-Sign LLC, Dan's Exterior, Main Street Mercantile, Books on Main, Solsikke Soap, and Corner Bar, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

No Correspondence

SET AGENDA ITEMS FOR JUNE 3RD MEETING

Alcohol License renewals, Sale of Village owned parcel, presentation from a concerned property owner regarding the East Lake Street property.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business to come before the board, **MOTION** by Pierce, second by Sonnenberg to adjourn, motion carried.