

MINUTES

JULY 12, 2023

The Regular Board Meeting of the Village Board was called to order by Village President, Robert Spurley on Wednesday, July 12, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall.

Roll Call: Robert Spurley, Denny Rickard, Jason Cartwright, Linda Sudmeier, Jim Wardell, Sarah Brindley.

Absent: John Trace

Employees: Sue Lindner, Randy Kitelinger, Kevin Liddicoat, Alan Schrank

Citizens: Doug Rider, Larry D. Schultz, Steve Simmons

Motion by Sarah Brindley and seconded by Denny Rickard to approve the June 2023 regular board minutes. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Jason Cartwright and seconded by Sarah Brindley to approve the June 2023 Park Committee minutes. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Denny Rickard and seconded by Sarah Brindley to approve the June 2023, treasurer's reports. Motion carried 6-0.

Citizens:

Larry D Schultz commented that the tentative date for the fireworks at the park is December 16th. He also commented that this would be his last year of sponsoring the fireworks and if anyone wanted to sponsor them to keep it going, to let him know.

The first responders would be hosting the visit with Santa on the same day. If you would like to volunteer to help with visit with Santa, please contact Amanda Schultz.

Doug Rider told the board the catch basin in his yard is decaying. The public works guys will look at it.

STAFF REPORTS:

Sewer/Water/Public Works

Randy Kitelinger reported the sewer plant is running well. The wet test for the sewer plant passed. The new permit for the sewer plant should be here soon. Randy also reported that Holmes Fencing would start repairs on the ball diamond fence after Frolic Days.

Kevin Liddicoat reported the PFAS testing came back less than detectable, and he was working on the waiver for more testing. The engine from abandoned well #1 sold for \$1501.00. The street sweeper is back from the village of Cobb and is working good after repairs.

Police

Alan Schrank reported that he completed the "Nationally Registered Emergency Medical Responder" Wisconsin Department of Health Services Certification # 70120442 and is credentialed through Linden First Responders & Mineral Point Rescue Squad. Alan also reported that he purchased an infrared light for the village using grant money from ATC. Alan inquired

about purchasing a solar panel w/trailer for the speed sign to make it more portable. He said there is a handheld radar unit that could be sold to go toward funding the solar panel and trailer. Alan was directed to get prices for a small trailer and solar panel. Alan said he is dealing with 3 unregistered vehicles in the village. The parade route for Frolic Days was approved by the DOT.

Clerk

Sue Lindner reminded the board that she will be out of the office July 17th – July 21st for training.

President

Bob Spurley reported that he and John Trace had met a second time with the municipalities that MPRS serves, and a meeting is being planned with the county to discuss rising EMS costs.

Old Business:

- A) Steve Simmons said that the MPRS agreed to a discounted rate of \$15,000 for 2023 EMS services for the village of Linden. Jim Wardell made a motion and Jason Cartwright seconded to pay MPRS another \$5000 for services for 2023 (bringing the total to \$15,000). Motion passed 6-0. Steve also explained there would be a year-to-year contract.

New Business:

- A) The board discussed a request from Dillon Hohler to put a vending machine at the village park. Jason Cartwright made a motion and Linda Sudmeier seconded to deny a request for Dillon Hohler to place a vending machine at the village park. Motion to deny Dillon Hohler to place a vending machine at the village park passed 6-0.
- B) Jason made a motion and Sarah Brindley seconded to approve the updated committee listing with the understanding that two citizens need to be added to the planning commission. Motion passed 6-0.
- C) The village board discussed the village property on Hawk St. The board decided to set up a planning commission meeting to review options and refer to the Village Attorney.
- D) The village board discussed the setup for The Linden Frolic. Denny Rickard made a motion and Sarah Brindley seconded to set up as usual with Home Run Fence, Barrels/Planks, Dumpsters, Traffic Control etc. Motion passed 6-0.
- E) Alan Schrank reported that he received a \$7000.00 Governor Evers grant and asked to use \$2550.00 from the grant to purchase a Mobile Fingerprint Machine. Jim Wardell made a motion and Linda Sudmeier seconded to purchase the Mobile Fingerprint Machine with the Governor Evers grant for \$2550.00. Roll Call Vote: Jason Cartwright-aye, Jim Wardell-aye, Linda Sudmeier-aye, Denny Rickard-aye, Sarah Brindley-aye, Bob Spurley-aye. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion by Jason Cartwright and seconded by Sarah Brindley to approve the July 2023 bill list. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Jason Cartwright and seconded by Denny Rickard to adjourn the meeting @ 8:12 pm. Motion carried 6-0.

Sue Lindner/Linden Village Clerk