PROCEEDINGS OF THE OXFORD VILLAGE BOARD

The Village Board of the Village of Oxford, Marquette County, Wisconsin met in regular session at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, in the Council Room of the Oxford Village Hall.

The meeting was called to order by President Meyer with the Pledge of Allegiance. The following Board Members were present: Trustees Drinkwater, Rozek, Sorensen, Bohringer, Zacharias and O'Brien. Also, in were Chief Kowalski, Trustees Elect Drinkwater, Wastart and Holtz, residents Kathy Terwelp, Terry Berndt, Stewart Wooll, Dawn O'Brien, Aneta Rodgers, Bill Martin, Lowell & Judy Hayes, and Deputy Clerk-Treasurers Kimmie Kongslie and Amy Maier.

Motion made by Drinkwater/Rozek to approve the agenda as printed. **Motion made by Zacharias/O'Brien** to accept the minutes of the March 6, 2024 regular board meeting as printed. **Motion made by Drinkwater/Rozek** to accept the minutes of the March 26, 2024 Parks & Recreation meeting with the following changes: **Paragraph 2**: Committee Members present: Chairman Drinkwater, Trustees Rozek and Zacharias, and President Meyer. Also in attendance were Trustee O'Brien, village resident and Fire Chief Jason Zacharias, etc. **Motion made by Drinkwater/Rozek** to approve the Treasurer's Report as printed. All motions carried.

Citizen Inquiries: Brian Goodhue discussed property lines with the Board. No motions were made regarding this discussion.

Aneta Rodger departed at 6:43pm, Terry Berndt departed at 7:05pm

New Business: President Meyer spoke to outgoing Trustees Bohringer, O'Brien and Rozek for a job well done and thanked them for their years of service to the Village of Oxford and the Board. He also congratulated and welcomed new Trustees Elect Jim Drinkwater, Tom Wastart and Barb Holtz and wished them well in their new positions.

Trustee O'Brien made a motion to table any action on the Proposed Ordinance 2024-1, relating that new board members should have more information and time to make an informed decision, until the May 1, 2024 Board meeting. Motion died for lack of a 2nd Motion. Trustee Zacharias would like to see the board leave the wetland area around the lake East of North Street as Conservation/Green Space. Brief discussion followed. **Motion made by Drinkwater/Rozek** to approve the Proposed Ordinance 2024-1 Relative to Adopting to the Official Zoning Map for the Village of Oxford, Marquette County, Wisconsin (Parcel No. 6517150844055, OUTLOT 7 LESS A PARCEL 132FT X 132FT, 7.03 acres) from Conservation and Open Space District to R-1 Single Family Residential. More discussion about the proposal followed with a final polling of all present. Motion carried with roll call vote. All voted aye except Zacharias voting "nay" and O'Brien "abstaining." Residents Tom Peckoff, Brian & Rita Goodhue departed at 7:21pm.

Elizabeth Shumate from General Engineering Company was not available to be at the meeting tonight. New Park Municipal Building plans were drafted by GEC and passed to board members. Brief discussion followed. **Motion made by Drinkwater/Rozek** to approve Resolution 2024-1 Authorizing Resolution for the DNR Stewardship Grant. Motion carried with all voting "Aye".

Chief Kowalski handed out information about what has been removed and left on the Retired Police Squad. Brief discussion. **Motion by Sorensen/Rozek** to allow Chief Kowalski to offer the vehicle to Law Enforcement agencies in the State of WI for sealed bids due by April 30, 2024, and the Board can accept or reject any bids at the May 1, 2024 Village Board meeting. Motion carried.

Board of Review training for new Trustee Elects was set for Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at 5pm for 2 hours. All members will take the training.

There were no building permits to approve.

One Operator's License was applied for by Jerry Kaminski. He has taken and passed the Responsible beverage class and passed the background check. **Motion to approve the license by Drinkwater/O'Brien.** Motion carried.

Committee Reports: Healthy Communities Healthy Youth Coalition (HCHY) Report – Trustee Rozek reported that this will be her last report as a Trustee but that she will be reporting to the Board in the future any updates and information needed. The Clerk-Treasurer may take the HCHY Report off the committee reports. President Meyer again thanked her for her years of service to the Village. **Public Safety Report** – Chairman Sorensen reported that no meeting was held. He is currently taking the online Flood Plain/FEMA

course, and that he will be sending the Board members and Clerk's office power point materials and information to help with Planning & Zoning. **Municipal Court** – Trustee Sorensen noted that there was no meeting. There will be a meeting in May after they have newly elected members enacted and updated. Finances are doing better than before and advised that all is going well. **Police Report** – The March report was prepared and distributed by Chief Kowalski. Chief Kowalski reported that Officer Cutrell has graduated from the LPO training course. Trustee Sorensen attended the graduation. Officer Spanski is finished with his training and is now on his own, Officer Mayer is still in training, Officer Goodwin has resigned, but that the Village is set for officers for the ensuing summer months. **Parks & Recreation Report** – Trustee Drinkwater stated there is nothing to report. **Library Board Meeting** – The library is doing great! It has even seen customers from Montello and Endeavor check out books, they've had 5 new Library cards issued, 3 classes are now coming to the library for after school learning, and the craft/art classes being taught are all very highly approved and attended. **Public Works** – Chairman O'Brien stated the committee did not meet. President Meyer thanked him again for his dedication and years of service. Director Mullens' report stated that all 5 lift stations were degreased and cleaned, all of the debris has been removed from the empty lot that we use for dumping snow, John and Steve have completed the chainsaw safety class. Cameron was unable to attend this one but will attend the next one in 6 months. The transducer failed on the Wood Street lift station, but has been replaced and is up and running, the strobe light for the lift station on Main Street has failed, but a new LED light has been ordered. Director Mullens has completed the 4 days of CE for 21 Credits. The Lions Club is purchasing a silver maple tree in honor of Zona Head for the park, planning on planting this tree near the maple that is coming down, unless the board has other thoughts. There is a DNR inspection at the wastewater treatment plant scheduled for this Thursday, April 4, 2024. The Lions Club has donated the funds for the first year of a two-year lease for a Flock Safety camera that reads license plates for the Sherrif's Department to be installed on Ormsby Street.

President Meyer announced that, per the agenda, a closed session is proposed to discuss employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility per Wis. Stat. § 19.85 (1)(c). **Motion made by Sorensen/Drinkwater at 8:04pm** to move to closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85 (1)(c) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all present voting aye.

All meeting attendees, except the Village Board members, new Trustee Elects and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer's departed the Council Room, and future training needs of the Clerk's Office was discussed.

Motion made by Zacharias/Sorensen to reconvene to Open Session at 9:05pm. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all present voting aye.

Motion made by Sorensen/Drinkwater to set a Finance Committee Meeting for Tuesday, April 9, 2024, at 5pm to discuss various training and travel for Deputy Clerk-Treasurer's and the Clerk-Treasurer position. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Rozek/O'Brien to approve payment of vouchers presented. Motion carried.

The minutes of this meeting were ready by Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Amy Maier.

Motion made by Rozek/O'Brien to adjourn at 9:20pm. Motion carried.

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Amy J. Maier, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer
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