

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

The Regular Village Board meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Village President John Meyer.

Board Members Present at the Community Center: John Meyer, Eugene Mayernick, Wolfgang Henschik, John Reinbold, Al Theis and Alan Barrows

Also Present at Community Center: Administrator Tamez; Cameron Schneider, Wales; Tony Knoeck, Waste Management and Bill Fuchs, N319S2970 Davies Drive, Genesee

Administrator Tamez noted that proper notice of this meeting had been posted in accordance with the open meeting laws of the State of Wisconsin.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Public Comments were received.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Trustee Barrows, Board members approved the minutes of the Village Board meeting of May 6, 2024, and acknowledged receipt of the Park Commission meeting minutes of April 8, 2024, and waived reading thereof, second by Trustee Theis, passed unanimously.

PLAN COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

Business Plan of Operations for Ethereal Gold Dispensary (CBD, Hemp & Mushroom Products) 323 N. Wales Road

Mr. Fuchs was present to answer questions about the dispensary unit already installed at 323 N. Wales Road inside Fusion Liquor. The Board had questions on how the age of an individual is confirmed (the company requires the purchaser to be 21 years old, State law allows 18). The purchaser must face the unit and have their picture taken, then upload the front and back of their driver's license from their phone to the company website, automated AI system then confirms the match and a product can be purchased. This must happen for each product they want to purchase. At this time there is no limitation on the number of products they can purchase. All products in the dispensary unit are allowed by law.

Some of the Board members are not in favor of this business in the Village, but there is no ordinance prohibiting it.

Motion by Trustee Barrows to accept the Plan Commission's recommendation and approve the Business Plan of Operation Ethereal Gold Dispensary, 323 N. Wales Road as submitted, second by Trustee Theis, passed 4-2, Trustees Henschik and Mayernick voted no.

EXTENSION OF MUNICIPAL WASTE AND RECYCLING AGREEMENT WITH WASTE MANAGEMENT

Tony Knoeck of Waste Management was present to discuss the potential extension of the current agreement with Waste Management for waste and recycling services for the Village. The Village is asking for a one-year extension of the agreement to allow the County to finalize the RFP for services on behalf of the Municipal Recycling

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Communities due to the fire at the MRF (Municipal Recycling Facility) last year. Tony presented a proposal to extend the current contract by 5 years, removing the bulk pickup paid by the municipality to keep the price to about a 2.4% increase. If the bulk pickup were left in it would be about 20% increase and if we agree to allow all recyclables to go to just their facility it would be about a 18% (includes bulk pickup). Bulk pickup would still be allowed but the cost would go directly to the resident using the service. The fee would be about \$25 per item. The service is currently not utilized by many residents. The Board asked if the proposal costs would be honored for a one-year extension as well. Mr. Knoeck said yes. The new contract would also have no fuel surcharges as they use natural gas vehicles. The contract would need to be reviewed by the Village's attorney and the Language for the Village of Wales recycling being delivered to a facility designated by the County under our current agreement with them be included.

Motion by Trustee Theis to table this agenda item pending review from the Village's attorney, second by Trustee Mayernick, passed 5-0-1. Trustee Barrows abstained.

URBAN AREA BOUNDARY UPDATE, STATE OF WISCONSIN, MARK NIEDZWIECKI

This agenda item was rescheduled to the next regular Board meeting, June 3, 2024.

APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT 2023 FINAL YEAR-END AUDIT

Howard Jeanson of Rotroff Jeanson, the Village's auditors, introduced himself and discussed the 2023 audit of the Village's finances. The Village's General Fund balance increased by about \$100,000.00, in part due to increased revenues and less expense needed for snow and ice removal. Expenditures were within \$3,000.00 of the budget. He also reviewed the Management letter and various areas of the audit. The Village continues to be in excellent financial condition. Motion by Trustee Reinbold to approve the Final Year-end Audit as presented by the Village's accountant, second by Trustee Mayernick, passed unanimously.

This is the last audit and presentation of Howard's long and dedicated career. The Board thanked him for all his years of service to the Village and wished him the best in his retirement. Howard will be missed.

UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 BUSINESS

Sanitary Sewer Status—SEH

Board members reviewed the engineer's report. No questions were raised.

VILLAGE BOARD BUSINESS

CONSULTATION WITH VILLAGE ENGINEER

Board members reviewed the engineer's report. No questions were raised.

FIRE CHIEF MONTHLY UPDATE

The Board members reviewed the new monthly report from the Lake Country Fire and Rescue department. It now includes data on where calls are located, man hours utilized for the call and much more. The report can be tailored to each community's needs or

wants. Chief Fennig will be doing a presentation on the new program that creates the reports at an upcoming meeting.

FUTURE FINANCIAL EXPENSES AND REPAIRS NEEDED FOR THE WALES/GENESEE FIRE STATION

Trustee Mayernick discussed the future financial expenses and repairs that will be needed for the Wales/Genesee Fire Station. The building is almost 20 years old and the roof, carpeting, heaters, A/C and generator will need to be looked at to determine the possible time frame for replacement. It may be advantageous to either repair or replace a lot of the items together to get a better cost and possible loan rate if needed. Trustee Mayernick will continue to work with the Town of Genesee's representative to make sure the Boards are informed of any needed replacements or repairs.

PROPOSAL AND QUOTE FROM THE PUBLIC POLICY FORUM, LCFR COST SHARING METHODOLOGY PROJECT

Motion by Trustee Reinbold to accept the proposal from the Public Policy Forum in the amount of \$14,000.00 to be split among the LCRF 7 communities equally (Village share being \$2,000.00) for a cost sharing methodology project, second by Trustee Barrows, passed unanimously.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTIONS 80-1 AND 120-1 REGARDING THE SIZE OF THE VILLAGE BOARD

Motion by Trustee Mayernick to approve adopting an ordinance to amend Sections 80-1 and 120-1 Regarding the size of the Village Board to reduce it to 5 members, with a quorum being 3 members and the reduction being done through attrition, second by Trustee Theis, passed unanimously.

Two members will be up for election each year with the same term of two years.

SCOPE OF ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH QUARLES & BRADY, LLP FOR LOAN WITH WAUKESHA STATE BANK FOR FINANCING 2024 ROAD AND CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR THE VILLAGE

Motion by Trustee Mayernick to approve the scope of engagement letter with Quarles & Brady, LLP to provide bond counsel services for the Village in conjunction with the loan from Waukesha State Bank for financing 2024 road and capital projects for the Village of Wales in the amount of \$6,500.00, second by Trustee Barrows, passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF A \$1,000,000.00 GENERAL OBLIGATION PROMISSORY NOTE TO FINANCE 2024 ROAD AND CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR THE VILLAGE

Motion by Trustee Hemschik to adopt the resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of an \$1,000,000.00 General Obligation promissory note to finance 2024 road and capital projects for the Village of Wales, second by Trustee Theis, passed unanimously on a roll call vote: Ayes: Trustees Barrows, Reinbold, Hemschik, Mayernick, Theis and President Meyer, Nays: -0-

JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST MEETING SCHEDULE

Unless there is something urgent that comes up, the following will be the June, July and August Board meeting schedule: June: both Regular meetings; July: 3rd Monday only and August: 1st or 3rd or both meetings if needed.

BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

Bills submitted for 2024 expenses were approved on a motion by Trustee Reinbold, second by Trustee Barrows, passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/UPDATES

Finance Committee

No new updates to report at this time.

Personnel Committee

No new updates to report at this time.

Sewer Utility

No new updates to report at this time.

Plan Commission

Presentations to the commission will be made by the Administrator on the proposed RV storage ordinance, Commission membership ordinance and seasonal pool placement policy at its next meeting.

Parks Commission

Breconshire Park is looking great with the new playground equipment and wildflower field. The kick-off meeting for the Comprehensive Plan needed to be rescheduled and the Commission is looking into alternatives to the current fencing around the soccer parking lot. It is not cost effective to maintain for parts nor time by seasonal help.

Public Works Committee

No new updates to report at this time.

Junk/Weeds

No new updates to report at this time.

Fire Department

Planning has begun for the 2024 budget.

Insurance

All renewal paperwork is in, waiting for quotes from the agent.

Administrator

No new updates to report at this time.

Village President

Would like staff to investigate declaring political flags with derogatory words nuisances. The Village Attorney will be consulted.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at 8:30 p.m. on a motion by Trustee Theis, second by Trustee Hemschik, passed.

Submitted by:

Gail E. Tamez, Administrator Clerk