

MEETING MINUTES February 14, 2024 6:30 PM VILLAGE HALL

6:30 pm meeting called to order by President Tom Bush. Attendance: President Tom Bush, Trustee Bob Babcock, Trustee Amy Hajdasz, DPW Brian Beckel, Clerk/Treasurer Brad Bartels, and others in the audience.

- Tom B. called the meeting to order at 6:30
- Minutes from last meeting reviewed and approved as presented.
- Tom began by asking those in attendance from Waste Management and Republic Services if they had any changes or updates to the proposals from last month's meeting? Both Sarah Titera from WM and Tyler Jacobson from Republic said there were no changes. Tom then asked the trustees if they had any questions of the proposals presented? Amy H. noticed that Republic services were cheaper than WM with an estimated savings of \$500 per month. Republic Services would also pick up recycling every 2 weeks vs once a month. Tom made a motion to stay with the status quo and renew the contract with Waste Management. Amy H. made a motion to take advantage of the savings with Republic and Bob B. seconded that motion. The new contract with Republic Services will take effect April 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Tom recognized Tim Gerber from Community Bank in Cameron. Tim stated he just wanted to introduce himself to the board as has ties to the community of Weyerhaeuser and would like to present the Board with some banking options for any future needs. Tim highlighted that Community Bank is a full-service bank and offers very competitive loan rates and offers great leasing options for any future equipment needs.
- Brian then went over a public works summary:
  - o Brian presented a quote from CTW Wells & Pumps for an inspection that is needed for Well 2. The quote was for a total of \$13,890. Bob B. made a motion to approve the quote except for the televising (\$1,650). Amy H. seconded the motion.
  - o Brian stated he is working through the Village's permit renewal with the WI DNR. He also stated that we may need to make a couple of minor changes with The Bonczyk farm for the Water Quality Trading contract. The DNR had a small 4-acre field included on their permit that wasn't in the original contract with Jon Bonczyk. Brian is working with the DNR to sort that out.
  - o Brian also mentioned that we should have the buildings on the property at N3785 6<sup>th</sup> Street inspected as the trailer home there is caved in. Should be able to condemn that and have it removed. Tom agreed and added we need to take some pictures of the garage behind the old Red and White Store building at N3764 4<sup>th</sup> Street. As that has caved in as well.
- Brad stated that Bob had asked to bring up the idea for potential shelters to be added for School bus Stops. Bob wanted one by the pickle ball court and Tom suggested adding another on the empty lot behind the Community Center. Everyone agreed this is a good idea and asked to have some estimates and ideas for the next meeting for review.
- Tom then mentioned the Fire district had an inspection completed and wanted to pass on the words of praise from the inspectors on the excellent record keeping the Water Dept. had for the inspection.
- Tom read a letter from Pam Bonczyk on behalf of Wreaths Across America thanking the Village for the donation made last year, which greatly helped get the program off and running in its 1<sup>st</sup> year in our area.
- Tom also stated he would like to have a pamphlet put together for the fire department to place on everyone's door at the end of March for Severe Weather week April 8<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>. With the new storm siren, it will be set off with the tornado drills held around the state on Thursday April 11<sup>th</sup>. Would also like to have preparedness advice added to the flyer as well as the fact that the siren will also be tested twice a month on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays at 6PM.

- Tom then brought up the Historical Society and the meetings they will be having on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday each month at the old fire hall on Railway Ave. The society's first order of business with the building will be to install a new door and place the old fire truck in the garage stall with viewing from the street. Annie Hurias will have some quotes at the next meeting.
- Brad stated he has his notary certificate now and notary service are available at the village hall during normal business hours. There will be no fee for village residents, however there will be a \$5 fee for non-village residents.
- Brad then read an email from Dave Wierzba regarding the Ice Age trail and becoming an official Ice Age Trail Community. With the official designation of the section of trail through the Blue Hills it May be a good idea to do have the community designation as we would be listed in their publications. Which would benefit our area businesses. Dave W. proposed splitting the one-time donation of \$2,500 between the Community Club and the Village. Tom agreed and made a motion to approve that donation of \$1,250 to the Ice Age Trail. Amy H. Seconded the motion.
- Tom B. made a motion to adjourn Bob B. seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.