

MEETING MINUTES September 13, 2023 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 pm.
- Presented a hard copy of minutes from previous meeting, no objections and approved as presented.
- Zech Gotham from Morgan and Parmley presented a pay request from Haas Sons, INC. Haas Sons have completed the restoration of the project and are waiting on Monarch for the final pavement. Zech did bring up a soft spot on Washburn in front of the pickleball parking lot. And the Board decided to have Hass dig that up to see why that spot is not setting properly. The board all agreed it would be better to fix the issue before the final pavement was laid. Zech also suggested to continue to have the garbage picked up in the alley for those residents on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, until the ground freezes. This will allow the new roadbed to set up properly. Amy H. made a motion to accept and pay the 1<sup>st</sup> pay request in the amount of \$213,300.64 from Haas Sons Inc for the street project. Bob B. seconded the motion. Pay request approved. This payment will leave approximately \$90,372.49 as a balance on the project.
- Zech also presented a draft 2-year extended warranty from Haas Sons Inc, for the concrete work done on 3<sup>rd</sup> street sidewalk. The day the concrete was poured we had a massive downpour which affected the finish of the concrete. In lieu of a full replacement, the concrete subcontractor applied surface treatment to repair the damaged concrete sidewalk surfaces. This extended warranty would start immediately following the 1-year warranty work already in the initial construction contract. The 1-year warranty does not start until the final payment for the project is sent to Haas Sons Inc. Bob B. made a motion to approve the drafted warranty and submit it to Haas Sons Inc for approval. Amy H. seconded the motion.
- Tom B. opened the only bid received for the sidewalk project at the village park. The bid was from Cedar Ridge Concrete for \$22,140.00 for the 5-foot-wide sidewalk from Culver Ave to Washburn Ave. Bob B. made a motion to accept and award the bid to Cedar Ridge Concrete. Amy H. seconded the motion.
- Tom B. then opened the lone bid received for a new storm siren to be installed at the Fire Hall on 5<sup>th</sup> street. The bid was from ANCOM Communications Inc, of Burnsville, MN for \$28,829.00. Tom made a motion to approve and award the bid to ANCOM. Bob B. seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Brian Beckel presented a summary of Public Works concerns and needs.
  - \* Need to dig up curb stop at Levi Hanson residence, to replace the curb stop to be able to turn the water off. The utility is well past due. The curb stop is in a concrete driveway. The board discussed the issue and determined that the

curb stop was installed prior to a driveway being installed over the curb stop. Therefore, the Village is not responsible for restoring the portion of the driveway due to excavation of the curb stop.

\* Brian also discussed he should have a new quote for potential movement of the water tower computer monitoring system out of the old fire hall on Railway Ave. The 2<sup>nd</sup> company is working on a couple of options to present a cheaper quote. Brian also discussed the need to purchase a pole saw for some tree trimming in the village right of way. The village does not have one. The board approved to go ahead with that purchase of not more than \$200.00. Lastly discussed a few street signs and stop signs that need to be replaced.

- Brad then discussed progress of the Veteran Wall project that is being headed up by Shirley Rouleau along with community club and VFW. Currently Brad has collected 21 applications and \$11,000 for the project. Brad brought up the need to post the project in the paper to try and reach more people that may be interested in participating in the project. And we need to also get a sound measurement to determine how many Veteran portraits we have room for on the Railway Ave project. This will eliminate the potential of collecting more applications and money than we have room for. The board agreed to pay for 2 weeks of advertising in the Ladysmith Newspaper for the project. Tom then stated that the VFW has decided to donate 10 - 16' 6x6 posts to the project.
- The new owners of the house and garage just south of the village hall requested to add a taller picket fence to the back side of the current fence between the property. The board all agreed not to allow the fence to be attached to our fence. And the homeowner should install the fence on their side of said fence on their property.
- Tom B. presented feedback from the State VFW approving the sale of the VFW Hall located at N3786 4<sup>th</sup> Street to the Village of Weyerhaeuser. Tom asked Brad to have the purchase agreement added to the October agenda for approval and signatures. And let EMC insurance know so we can have a quote for adding the building to the Village policy.
- Amy motion to adjourn. Bob B. seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.