VILLAGE OF PORT EDWARDS Port Edwards, Wisconsin

COMMITTEE: Finance and Human Resources

DATE: <u>4 March 2021</u>

TO: JOSEPH ZURFLUH

cc: BETSY MANCL DANA DUNCAN JOHN BINGHAM DIANE TREMMEL PATRICK ARENDT ERIK SAYLOR SUE MITCHELL TIARA GRUNDEN SCOTT DREW JP LACHAPELLE DAILY TRIBUNE WFHR/WGLX NICK ABTS

Purpose of Meeting: Regular Monthly Meeting

Attendance: <u>D. Duncan, T. Grunden, S. Mitchell, R. Bossert, D. Tremmel, J. Zurfluh,</u> Citizens: Martinson, B.

Subjects Discussed, Action Taken, and Board Action Required:

- 1. Call to order: Meeting called to order by D. Duncan at 5:00 p.m. (Via ZOOM)
- 2. Roll Call: All Present.
- 3. Approve the agenda: (Mitchell/2nd Grunden), All Ayes
- 4. Approve the previous months minutes: <u>MOTION</u> (Mitchell/ 2nd Grunden) to approve minutes of the 4 February 2021 meeting. *Motion carried, all Ayes.*
- 5. Public comments on agenda items: None
- 6. Committee Chairman's comments: None
- 7. <u>MOTION</u> to approve the Monthly Bills and Journal entries. (Grunden, 2nd Mitchell). This will be sent forward for the Village Board approval 16 March 2021, Motion carried, all Ayes.
- 8. Review and Discuss options for Sanitation Department deficit. The Administrator reviewed the issue and addressed the Options to table, take a TIF loan and service the deficit annually was eliminated. The Committee agreed to allow the Administrator to seek information on a separate Debt Loan; The Village would take a separate loan against Village assets to pay the sanitation department for this debt. This would bring all accounts current and produce a lower annual cost for servicing the debt (a 15-year loan for \$600K with interest rates of 2% would cost annually \$46,332.60). Doing this could give the Village the ability to raise the levy limits.

Also, some discussion on preparing options to Increase rates annually; this would generate more revenue to address the debt but would require a 10% annually (for 5 years) to make any impact. This would generate approx. \$55,000-\$75,000 additional revenue to assist in Deficit payments, but not cover the entirety of the deficit.

8. Discuss SIRC Committee Motion to approve a Flat Assessment for Village construction projects. The Committee reviewed the SIRC committee proposal and agreed to eliminate certain sections to present

a clean copy at the next Board meeting for discussion. We will remove the 50% section and reword some of the Village financing sections.

- **9.** <u>Tabled for next Board Meeting on 16 march 2021</u>. <u>MOTION</u> to go into closed session per §19.85(1)(g) "discussion about employee counseling for the Administrator- Six-month review".
- 11. Correspondence received: None
- 12. New Business: None

13. Future Agenda Items:

- Discuss Village Loan Options for Sanitation deficit.

- Counseling time for the Administrator for his Mid-year Assessment (all FHR Committee members will participate). This will occur on 18 March at 5pm, via ZOOM

- 14. Next meeting date: 8 April, 2021
- 15. Adjournet at 5:30pm. MOTION (Duncan, 2nd Grunden)

Dana Duncan – Chairman

Attached: See FHR packet dated 4 March 2021