
The Village Board meeting was held at the Marshall Buehler Center and also set up as a Zoom meeting and a conference call meeting according to Wisconsin Attorney General Release Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and Open Meetings. The number to call in: 715-423-6698; 5-digit conference ID: 02067.

The agenda for this meeting was posted on the Municipal Building door, the entrance of the Police Department/Marshall Buehler Center, and at Nekoosa Port Edwards State Bank in Port Edwards, as well as on the Village website.

The Village Board meeting was called to order by President Zurfluh at 7:00 p.m.

Present: President Zurfluh, Trustees Bingham, Duncan (arrived at 7:28 p.m.), Grunden, Mancl, Mitchell & Saylor

Absent: None

Also Present: T. Leverance (Interim Fire Chief), R. Bossert, D. Tremmel, S. Stewart (via telephone) and S. Drew (via telephone)

Citizens: Patrick Arendt, Jeremy Sickler (Airport Manager)

Motion (Zurfluh/Bingham) to approve the Consent Agenda (meeting minutes from June 8, 2021 Board meeting and to approve monthly bills and the journal entries for the previous month). Motion carried. All ayes.

Public Comment: None

President's Report: President Zurfluh thanked Patrick Arendt for his service to the Fire Department and as Chief. Trustee Saylor presented Patrick Arendt with a recognition coin and a plaque for his service. Patrick Arendt accepted the coin and plaque and thanked the Police & Fire Commission, the Board and expressed his appreciation for everything others have done for him.

Airport Commission: Review of minutes.

Jeremy Sickler, Airport Manager, presented an update of the activities of the Airport Commission. The year 2020 projects included transient hangar construction and Taxiway A completion. The Airport Commission is obligated to maintain clear approaches per federal grant money received. They are currently negotiating easements and acquisitions, and this project will take several years. Another project to begin in fall/winter of 2021 is construction of a new fuel facility. There was discussion regarding the availability of the airport hangars for meetings and events.

Public Works: Review of minutes.

Public Safety: Review of minutes.

Motion (Saylor/Mancl) to approve Resolution 2021-04 for a Proclamation for Rail Safety Week in the Village of Port Edwards from September 20-26, 2021. This will include Village sponsored rail safety training, messaging and involve our residents and school students. Motion carried. All ayes.

Passage of the Resolution will give the Village a greater opportunity for grants from the railroad company.

Planning, Legislative, Property & Information Technology: Review of minutes.

Motion (Duncan/Grunden) to approve the Certified Survey Maps for the Grand Rapids properties along Towline Road and Deer Road. No approval from the Village required, just acknowledgement. Motion carried. All ayes.

Finance and Human Resources: Review of minutes.

Parks & Recreation: Review of minutes

Unfinished Business: Administrator Bossert stated that he received positive feedback from the Nepco Lake residents regarding the letter mailed on June 15, 2021. A meeting will be set up with the residents for discussion of the properties returning to the Village after the boundary agreement terminates.

The Village has received the American Rescue Plan funds.

New Business: Administrator Bossert gave a brief update regarding DMI. The lawsuit DMI has against the Village should be dismissed soon. The League of Wisconsin Municipalities represented the Village at no cost to the Village. DMI is current on their water bills, and the Village is working with DMI on removing the meters from the property.

Administrator Bossert briefly mentioned the 2022 Village budget process and key dates.

Village Administrator Report: Administrator Bossert presented his monthly report including the topics of general government, human resources, public works, safety and security and budget.

Clerk-Treasurer Report: The Clerk’s proposed motion was postponed until the Port Edwards Firefighters Athletic Association submits an application, along with fee, for a Temporary Class B license for the July 27, 2021 Lions Community Picnic.

Communications: None

Trustee comments: Trustee Saylor expressed his appreciation for Patrick Arendt’s service to the Fire Department and stated that it was a pleasure working with him. He also reminded everyone of the Lions Picnic scheduled for July 27, 2021. Trustee Bingham stated that he noticed a for sale sign on the building to the west of the Municipal Building. Trustee Mitchell inquired if someone was living in that building. Administrator Bossert stated that no one was living there.

Motion (Bingham/Duncan) to adjourn – Meeting adjourned at **7:50** p.m.

Diane M. Tremmel, Village Clerk-Treasurer

The following Village bills were approved for payment:

Abts Law LLC-monthly retainer (July)	1000.00
Ace Hardware-misc expenses	423.41
Advance Janitorial Service & Supply-monthly statement	179.85
Advanced Disposal-WR-M3 – monthly statement	10010.25
Alliant Energy-monthly statement	6480.14
Amazon-water utility office expense	20.01
American Welding & Gas Inc-fire equip replace & maint	34.75
Casper Stump Tracking-stump grinding	725.00
Chris Hanten-refundable shelter deposit	25.00
Cintas-monthly statement	818.61
Commercial Testing Laboratory Inc-wastewater dept testing	1522.50
Diversified Benefit Services Inc-July health reimb arrangement	101.53
Donna Shroda-refundable shelter deposit	25.00
Election Systems & Software Inc-election equipment license & maint	478.78
Farrell Equipment & Supply Co Inc-tools & supplies	807.95
Goodwin Construction-balance (2 nd half) for pavilion at splash pad	7250.00
Joslin Concrete Inc-sidewalk at splash pad	875.00
Kate Barton-refundable shelter deposit	25.00
Lonn Radtke-unused sick leave health insurance reimb	285.04
Mary Heuer-refundable shelter deposit	25.00
Mid-State Truck Service-street machinery	4.48
Napa Auto Parts/Nekoosa-misc expenses	195.27
Penny Reichert-refundable shelter deposit	25.00
Port Edwards Post Office-postage stamps	550.00
Port Edwards Water Utility-quarterly bills	3353.63
Power Pac Inc-small equipment	143.79
Security Health Plan-monthly statement	22410.16
Sherwin-Williams Co-parks	177.81
Show Striping Industries-fire station; municipal garage	225.00
State of Wisconsin-June court report	56.80
The Dirks Group LLC-Office 365; remote support	569.25
Tractor Supply Credit Plan-misc expenses	338.00
Verizon Wireless-monthly statement	517.19
Walmart Community/SYNCB-municipal building; medical arts building	153.31

We Energies-monthly statement	206.34
Wood County Head Start-refundable shelter deposit	25.00
Wood County Treasurer-June jail assessment	20.00
Aflac-monthly statement	274.50
BGA LLC-August building inspection expense	2000.00
Charles Lamb-unused sick leave health insurance reimb	1832.82
Core & Main LP-maint of meters	343.74
Current Technologies-power to pavilion	1438.99
Delta Dental of Wisconsin-monthly statement	1324.98
Diversified Benefit Services Inc-health insurance deductible reimb	81.29
Diversified Benefit Services Inc-health insurance deductible reimb	86.18
Farrell Equipment & Supply Co Inc-tools & supplies	621.98
Insight FS-street machinery; small equipment	2392.66
James Leiser-unused sick leave health insurance reimb	157.84
Knuth Trucking & Excavating LLC-topsoil for cemetery, road & streets	720.00
Marco Technologies LLC-copier monthly contract & usage charges	57.94
Municipal Well & Pump-maint pumping plant	1797.00
Nekoosa Port Edwards State Bank-August direct deposit fee	50.00
Patrick McGrath-municipal judge training expenses	299.80
Phillips 66-monthly statement	1673.26
Principal Life Insurance-August premium	60.58
Sherwin Williams Co-paint for parks (ARPA expense)	340.60
Superior Chemical Corp-parks; cemetery	484.43
The Dirks Group LLC-HPE Cark Park (1 yr)	753.00
Wausau Chemical Corporation-chemicals (water utility)	4595.80
Winsupply Wisconsin Rapids WI-shelter house	440.73
Wis. Dept. of Administration/Milw-monthly website hosting	65.00
Wis. Rural Water Association-annual tech conference (2 employees)	600.00
Wisconsin Media-alcohol beverage license notice	14.62

Wages & Salaries – July wages **68,000.61**

The following Water Utility Bills were approved for payment:

Alliant Energy-monthly statement	3207.41
Badger Meter Inc-backhaul comm fees July-Sept 2021	54.00
Digger Hotline Inc-2 nd prepayment	337.60
Mailboxes & Parcel Depot-testing	24.40
Utility Service Co Inc-annual large tank maintenance	25870.96
WI State Lab of Hygiene-testing	26.00
Bank-A-Count – WUT deposit slips	38.13

Building Permits:

Tri-City Refrigeraton/Brandon & Jessica Wormet-two AC replacements

Electrical Permits:

Current Technologies Inc/Rick & Paige Clark-switch overhead service to underground

Plumbing Permits: None

Excavation Permits: None