
The Village Board meeting was held at the Marshall Buehler Center and also set up as a Zoom meeting.

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 Mancl at 7:00 p.m.

Present: President Mancl, Trustees Grunden, Hess, Radtke & Zurfluh (via Zoom)

Absent: Trustee Hummel (excused); Trustee Saylor (excused)

Also Present: S. Drew, D. Lease, D. Gau (via Zoom), D. Tremmel

Citizens: Sandy Robinson, Nick Flugaur, Cary Smith, Bradley Krans, Bruce Diggles

Motion (Radtke/Hess) to approve the Consent Agenda (meeting minutes from August 13, 2024 Board Meeting and to approve monthly bills and the journal entries for the previous month). Motion carried. All ayes.

Public Comment: Cary Smith stated he is not against having a separate first responder position but would like it to be a separate line item on the budget. He also does not agree with changing the Board meetings to Wednesdays because religious classes are held that night.

Sandy Robinson shared a story regarding a friend she has who was directly involved with the 9-11 tragedy.

President's Report: President Mancl stated that Corey Shaffer recently resigned from the Police and Fire Commission. She has appointed Bruce Diggles to the vacant position.

President Mancl asked for a revote on the nomination of Eric Hummel to fill a vacant trustee position. The outgoing trustee voted on the motion at the August Board meeting.

Motion (Mancl/Grunden) to approve the appointment of Eric Hummel to fill the vacant trustee position. Motion carried. All ayes.

President Mancl announced that she received Trustee Grunden's official resignation effective after tonight's Board meeting and thanked her for her years of service. She nominated Nick Flugaur to the upcoming vacant trustee position.

Motion (Hess/Mancl) to approve the appointment of Nick Flugaur to the upcoming vacant trustee position.

Trustee Zurfluh stated that he would be abstaining from voting due to a conflict because he is a Wood County Supervisor and Mr. Flugaur is a Wood County employee. Trustee Radtke expressed his opinion that the position should remain vacant until the Spring election. Because Trustee Zurfluh and Trustee Grunden were not voting, there would not be enough votes for the motion to pass.

Motion was postponed until a future meeting.

Motion (Hess/Grunden) to approve new committee assignments presented by President Mancl. Motion carried (3 aye; 1 no – Radtke)

President Mancl stated that she will fill in for the vacant trustee position at the committees.

Airport Commission: Review of minutes.

Police and Fire Commission: Review of minutes.

Public Works: Review of minutes.

Motion (Radtke/Hess) to approve Resolution No. 2024-06 A Resolution Authorizing Village Staff to Submit, Coordinate and Execute Urban Forestry Grant and Urban Forestry Catastrophic Storm Grant. Motion carried. All ayes.

Parks & Recreation: No meeting held.

Public Safety: Review of minutes.

Motion (Hess/Zurfluh) to approve creating a first responder only position. Motion carried. All ayes.

Motion (Grunden/Radtke) to approve creating a cadet program within the fire department. Motion carried. All ayes.

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

Motion (Grunden/Mancl) to change Ordinance 2.01(1) to reflect a date change for regular Village Board meetings to Wednesdays. Motion carried (3 aye; 2 no – Radtke, Zurfluh).

Motion (Hess/Grunden) to list for sale the property at 140 Market Avenue. Motion carried. All ayes.

Finance & Human Resources: Review of minutes.

Motion (Radtke/Hess) to approve the police chief job description with amendment to the last paragraph striking “at the discretion of the Chief of Police” and recommend \$72,000 to \$83,000 as the salary range. Motion carried. All ayes. The timeline for hiring the new Chief will be discussed at a future committee meeting.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: President Mancel stated that she met with Mayor Zacher of Wisconsin Rapids. He is requesting a letter of support from surrounding municipalities for the City of Wisconsin Rapids to apply for a grant to create a plan to propose moving the railroad tracks that currently run through the west side of the City. She took a consensus of the Board members present but said she would ask Mayor Zacher for more information.

Village Administrator Report:

Motion (Radtke/Grunden) to approve Extraterritorial Certified Survey Map in the Town of Saratoga – Lots 1-3 of Block 1, First Addition to G.M. Coombs Crestview Heights Subdivision – Owners: Rodney & Ellen Noe. Motion carried. All ayes. Motion (Radtke/Zurfluh) to approve Precision Grading & Utilities bid for the three-year TIF project. Motion carried. All ayes.

Ben Martinson thanked Trustee Grunden for her service as trustee.

Clerk-Treasurer Report: None

Trustee comments: Trustee Grunden gave her resignation as Village Trustee and stated she may consider running again in the future when she can devote more time and energy to the position.

President Mancel thanked Trustee Grunden for her service and wished her the best.

Meeting adjourned at **8:07** p.m.

Minutes taken by Diane M Tremmel, Village Clerk-Treasurer

The following Village bills were approved for payment:

Abts Grubofski & Vruwink LLC-legal fees monthly retainer	1000.00
Ace Hardware-tools & supplies; parks; maint of lift stations	386.43
Advance Janitorial Service & Supply-monthly statement	224.40
Alliant Energy-monthly statements	7592.33
American Welding & Gas-first responder supplies	39.52
Andrea Weiland-police & fire comm meetings 7/15, 8/20	50.00
ArborVantage Tree Care LLC-tree & brush control	235.00
Bev Bowman-refundable shelter deposit	25.00
Bowmar Appraisal Inc-quarterly payment on assessor contract	3425.00
Casper Stump Tracking-tree & brush control	2537.50
Cintas Corp-monthly statement	715.45
Core & Main LP-storm sewers maintenance	2640.00
Corey Shaffer-police & fire comm meetings 7/15, 8/20	50.00
Delta Dental of Wisconsin-monthly premium	1483.22
Diversified Benefit Services Inc-health insurance deductible reimbursement	241.08
Diversified Benefit Services Inc-September health reimbursement arrangement	100.00
Duane Gau Municipal Services-administrator services	8732.50
Energenecs Inc-outside services (water utility & wastewater)	1281.25
Fleet Safety Supply-fire equipment replace & maint.	2322.64
Gerald Blum-police & fire comm meetings 7/15, 8/20	50.00
H&S Protection Systems Inc-downpayment for security system for fire dept	7102.00
Innovative Machine Specialists-maint of wastewater equipment	375.00
James Leiser-unused sick leave health insurance reimbursement	183.08
Jefferson Fire & Safety Inc-fire health & welfare	160.00

Leo Thomasgard-police & fire comm meetings 7/15, 8/20	50.00
Martinson Trucking & Excavating LLC-roads & streets	1247.39
Mike Anderson-refundable shelter deposit	25.00
MSA Professional Services Inc-Port Rd path (Legacy grant)	2120.00
MSA Professional Services Inc-STH 54/73 crossing (Legacy grant)	514.56
Partners Mfg Group Inc (Dinkmar)-street machinery	88.41
Postmaster/US Postal Service-postage stamps; water utility stamps	803.00
Scott Stewart-police & fire comm meeting 7/15, 8/20	50.00
Sheri Sullivan-refundable shelter deposit	25.00
Solarus-monthly statement	1269.22
State of Wisconsin-August court report	124.00
The Dirks Group LLC-September Microsoft 365	36.30
Tim's Sharpening Service-small equipment	84.00
Tweet Garot Mechanical Inc-maint of wastewater equipment	327.96
Vandewalle & Associates-TIF services	2381.25
Williams Plumbing & Heating-kitchen faucet for garage	582.99
Wis Dept of Natural Resources-renewal of waste transport license	145.86
Wis Wastewater Operators Association-WWOA annual conference (2)	425.00
Wood County Treasurer-August jail assessment	40.00
Aflac-monthly statement	217.78
AgSource Coop Services-water testing	331.00
AgSource Coop Services-wastewater testing	1914.75
American Asphalt of Wisconsin-STH 54/73 project (Legacy grant)	147951.53
Amoco-monthly statement	1249.23
Awards 'N' More-fire dept plaques, helmet tags	210.90
BGA LLC-monthly building inspection services	2000.00
Brooks Tractor Inc-street machinery	43.64
Core & Main LP-maintenance of mains	88.20
Corey Shaffer-police & fire commission meeting 9/9	25.00
Diversified Benefit Services-health insurance deductible reimbursement	670.03
Dustin Lease-reimbursement for gas for truck	95.05
Election Systems & Software Inc-annual firmware and maintenance	464.63
Fastenal Company-tools & supplies	137.28
Francis Excavating LLC-black dirt for cemetery	600.00
Gannett Wisconsin LocaliQ-public test notice	8.29
Gerald Blum-police & fire commission meeting 9/9	25.00
Insight FS-street machinery; small equipment	4907.00
Kim Holcomb-court clerk's conference expenses	223.84
Leo Thomasgard-police & fire commission meeting 9/9	25.00
Lexipol LLC-fire dept annual policy manual	3461.75
Marco Technologies LLC-copier contract & usage	41.77
Midwest Meter Inc-maintenance of meters	216.06
Napa Auto Parts/Nekoosa-miscellaneous supplies	312.97
Nekoosa Port Edwards State Bank-monthly direct deposit fee	50.00
Principal Life Insurance Company-monthly life insurance premium	58.44
Quest LLC-road project - Alexander to Morrill (TIF)	16016.05
Quill LLC-miscellaneous office supplies	808.90
S&R Truck LLC-maintenance of fire engines	10375.93
Scott Stewart-police & fire commission meeting 9/9	25.00
Security Health Plan-monthly premium	29949.60
Tactical Solutions-police radio/radar	256.00
Verizon Wireless-monthly statement	387.14
Wausau Chemical Corporation-chemicals	6858.88
We Eenergies-monthly statement	134.69
WI Department of Transportation-water utility outside services (Hwy 54)	16307.09
WI State Lab of Hygiene-water testing	29.00
Wis. Dept. of Administration-monthly web site hosting	65.00
Wis. Valley Building Products-tools & supplies	43.32

WM Corporate Services Inc-monthly statement	11605.28
Wolosek Landscaping-sod for cemetery	20.70

Wages & Salaries – September wages **78363.47**

The following Water Utility Bills were approved for payment:

A-1 Services Wisconsin Rapids LLC-maint of mains; maint of hydrants	3500.00
Alliant Energy-monthly statement	2633.35
Badger Meter Inc-maintenance of meters	19.06
Mailboxes & Parcel Depot-testing	15.68
Midwest Meter Inc-maint of meters	129.00
RJ Rasmussen Plumbing & Heating-maintenance of mains	3020.00

Building Permits:

Weber Home Improvement/Connor Tiggerus-remove siding, rewrap damaged aluminum, install vinyl siding
Ridge Top/Kester-replace house & garage roof
Ridge Top/Weber-chimney reflash and roof repair
Feldco Factory Direct/Greg Steinhorst-remove and replace windows
Scott Poisson-place garage on 140 Morrill Ave moved from 1040 2nd St
Nigon Remodeling/Mary Barr-replace roof on house and garage
Dave Joling-fence
Aspen Exteriors Inc/Sandy Allworden-remove & replace asphalt shingles on house, detached garage & shed
Ruesch Company/Shane Ruesch (Ruesch Properties)-new construction of 6100 sq ft storage units building
Lauren Construction/Michael Trzinski-re-roof house & garage
Miller Roofing/Connor Tiggerus-re-roof
E-Con/Loren Elkin-install electrical box in garage and add outlets
Keith Gotz-raze house & garage (251 Island Ave)
Timeless Exteriors Inc/Tony & Kelly Shay-remove & replace asphalt shingles
Timeless Exteriors Inc/Shane & Crystal Robinson-remove & replace asphalt shingles
Aspen Exteriors Inc/Timothy Benedict-remove & replace asphalt shingles
Aspen Exteriors Inc/Laurie Sejbl-remove & replace asphalt shingles
Aspen Exteriors Inc/Leland Pech-remove & replace asphalt shingles
Michael Pazurek-replace deck(s)
Ridge Top Exteriors/Dave McElroy-replace shingles on house & garage

Electrical Permits & HVAC Permits:

Plumbing Permits:

Dave Joling-sprinkling meter
Tri-City Service/Virjean Kluender-replace water heater

Excavation Permits:

We Energies-remove service & meter (251 Island Ave)
We Energies-maintenance on gas services (31 LaVigne Ave)
We Energies-install new gas service via bore (1020 Michele Ct)3

Zoning Permits: None