

VILLAGE BOARD
AUGUST 20, 2019

The Village Board of Combined Locks was called to order by President John Neumeier. Trustees in attendance included: Jim Ponto, Ken Vander Wielen, Cathy Vander Zanden, and Tim Stutzman. Brad Schinke and Justin Krueger were absent.

Also in attendance were Village Administrator Racquel Shampo-Giese, Public Works Director Ryan Swick, Eric Miller, Jeff Feldt and Dave Pahl of Kaukauna Utilities, residents Karen Menting, Karen Mueller, Mary Haessly, and Dennis Jansen, property developer Chad Shea, and Judy Hebbe of the Times Villager.

The first item on the agenda was for public comment for matters not on the agenda. No public comments were received.

The next item on the agenda was a public hearing to consider vacating DeWild Street (also referred to as Locks Avenue). It was noted that this public hearing requires a Class 3 Publication. The notice of the public hearing was published in the Times Villager on 08/03, 08/10, & 08/17. President Neumeier introduced representatives of Kaukauna Utilities who explained their wish for the Board to consider vacating the roadway. After the presentation, President Neumeier invited the audience to make comments. Residents voiced concerns about location of proposed expansion and enough area to have an easement to Hill Street, waiting to vote on this matter until there is a specific/concrete plan, and waiting to vote until all trustees are present. President Neumeier then closed the public comment and asked trustees to make comments or ask questions. T. Stutzman noted that even without the proposed expansion of the Kaukauna Utilities substation, there is no need for the Village to maintain this roadway. The matter was discussed. T. Stutzman made a motion to approve vacation of DeWild Street (Locks Avenue) contingent upon the final plan delineating an easement for access to Hill Street. K. Vander Wielen seconded the motion, and it passed with five (5) ayes and two (2) trustees absent.

The next item on the agenda was to review and consider approval of a preliminary plat for Riverview Ridge Subdivision. Chad Shea presented the preliminary plat details to the trustees. The 10-lot plat will be all single-family structures with access from Jerelyn Court and Bonnie Lane. It was noted that the Plan Commission voted 6-2 to approve the preliminary plat with a few contingencies: environmentally sensitive line delineated on ravine lots, clear up ordinance language regarding 50' or 30' frontage for cul de sac lots, review and recommendations completed by the Village's engineer, and confirmation that there will not be any water drainage issues for existing adjacent property owners on Bonnie Lane or Jerelyn Court. The matter was discussed. T. Stutzman made a motion to approve the preliminary plat and to remove the contingency of the 50' or 30' frontage as the ordinance has conflicting language, and the frontages are 48' and 42' for the smallest frontage lots. J. Ponto seconded the motion, and it passed with four (4) ayes and three (3) trustees absent. (K Vander Wielen left meeting early).

The next item on the agenda was to review and consider approval of Resolution 2019-14 regarding participation in the State of Wisconsin Health Insurance Plan. The Administrator explained that this resolution is required by the State as they have updated their policies manual, and each participating municipality must pass a new resolution reflecting acknowledgement of the new manual. It was

noted that this resolution does not require the Village to continue its participation in this health insurance program. J. Ponto made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-14. C. Vander Zanden seconded the motion, and it passed with four (4) ayes and three (3) trustees absent.

The next item on the agenda was to review and consider approval of Resolution 2019-15 regarding ratification of the disaster declaration from the 07/20/19 storm event. The Administrator explained that President Neumeier signed a disaster declaration on 07/20/19 as the first step in documenting the storm event and the consequent clean-up expenses expected. The Village Board's ratification of the disaster declaration is needed to request reimbursement from the Wisconsin Disaster Fund and/or FEMA. C. Vander Zanden made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-15 as presented. T. Stutzman seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to discuss the possibility to dissolve the Combined Locks Municipal Court and utilize Outagamie County Circuit Court. The Administrator explained that she and President Neumeier met with Judge Smits and Court Clerk Casper on 08/14/19 and explained to them that the Board is considering dissolving municipal court. Part of the process to consider circuit court is to have a conversation with the court commissioner. This will be scheduled as soon as possible.

In other general business, the Administrator provided updates on the public hearing for the Kaukauna Utilities substation expansion (now scheduled for 09/11), and explained that the interest rates through the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands have not dropped yet. President Neumeier confirmed that the next Village Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 3, 2019 at 6:30pm.

C. Vander Zanden made a motion to adjourn the meeting. T. Stutzman seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.