

VILLAGE BOARD
SEPTEMBER 17, 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, Brad Schinke, Justin Krueger, and Tim Stutzman.

Also in attendance were Village Administrator Racquel Shampo-Giese, Public Works Director Ryan Swick, Eric Miller, Jeff Feldt, Claire Pickett, and Dave Pahl of Kaukauna Utilities, several residents, 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 to review and consider approval of a certified survey map to divide a duplex at 134/136 Green Way Drive into two separate parcels. The Administrator provided a brief background of the request and reported that the Plan Commission has recommended approval of the certified survey map. The matter was discussed briefly. C. Vander Zanden made a motion to approve the CSM as presented. J. Ponto seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to review and consider approval of a special exception request from Kaukauna Utilities to locate a substation in an area zoned Residential Neighborhood Conservancy as recommended by Plan Commission. The Administrator reported that the Plan Commission held a public hearing on this special exception request on 09/11/19. Several residents were in attendance to voice their opposition to the substation's proposed location due to health concerns and property values. President Neumeier asked Kaukauna Utilities representatives for any additional comments. They noted that they believe they have complied with all of the special exception requirements as outlined in Village ordinances. President Neumeier asked for comments from the audience, and concerns about health and property values were reiterated. In addition, one resident stated that she believes Kaukauna Utilities has not complied with all of the requirements set forth by the Public Service Commission. Kaukauna Utilities representatives stated that all the required information is part of their Construction Authority request and is included in the docket that is available for the public to review on the Public Service Commission's website. T. Stutzman made a motion to approve the special exception. K. Vander Wielen seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was to review and consider approval of a recommendation to approve creation of Ordinance Section 9-5-1 regarding a cooperative agreement with Kaukauna Utilities to collect delinquent electric service bills through the property tax collection process. The Administrator reviewed the request from Kaukauna Utilities, and Kaukauna Utilities provided some data for what they anticipate will be the number of households affected and dollars generated through this collection option. Kaukauna Utilities representatives also explained that they will continue to use the State Debt Collection Program and a private collection agency to resolve delinquent accounts. Only if there has been six (6) months or more of no payments received on an account will they use the tax roll collection option. It was noted that 70 of 81 municipal electricity providers already use the tax roll collection option. The matter was discussed. J. Krueger made a motion to approve the creation of Ordinance Section 9-5-1 to allow the cooperative agreement as presented. B. Schinke seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

In other general business, Trustee Stutzman shared information he received from an informal poll regarding people's opinions about the closure of the intersection of CTH CE and CTH K. It was noted that this was informational only.

J. Ponto made a motion to recess the Village Board meeting and convene the 3rd Quarter Water Commission meeting. C. Vander Zanden seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

A motion to adjourn the Water Commission meeting and reconvene the Village Board meeting was made and seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

J. Ponto made a motion to move into closed session per Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(c) to consider employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of public employees of the Village of Combined Locks. C. Vander Zanden seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

K. Vander Wielen made a motion to move back into open session. J. Ponto seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

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