

## MINUTES OF VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, May 4, 2021

TIME: 6:30pm

**LOCATION: Combined Locks Civic Center** 

**Council Chambers, 405 Wallace Street** 

## **MINUTES**

A. Call to order: Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by Village President Neumeier

B. Pledge of Allegiance: Pledge recited

C. Roll call: Board members present – Neumeier, Stutzman, Schinke, Krueger, Rietveld, Ponto, and Vander Zanden. Board members absent – none. Village staff present – Administrator Shampo-Giese and Public Works Director Swick. Also present – Judy Hebbe of the Times Villager and resident Ken Walton.

- 1. Public comment for matters not on the agenda: Mr. Walton thanked the trustees for agreeing to paint lanes on Jean Street at the intersection of CTH N. He hopes that people will use the lane markings properly. He explained that even though he has had a few issues with the high school pick up and drop off parking in front of his house, he is not a fan of the no parking policy in his neighborhood. He believes that a large part of this issue could be eliminated by opening the gate on Hidden Ridges Way. Mr. Walton also expressed is concern about a neighbor who has installed a new flag pole with a flag depicting the United States flag along with an obscenity aimed at the current US President. He and other neighbors feel it is disgraceful, offensive and in poor taste. He asked the Village to find a way to require the property owner to remove it.
- 2. Review and consider approval of minutes & bills: Approval of the April minutes was postponed until the 06/01/21 meeting. T. Stutzman made a motion to approve the bills as presented. J. Ponto seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
- **3. Administrator, Law Enforcement and Public Works Director Reports accept and file:** The Administrator and Public

Works Director highlighted some of the activities happening in their respective departments. The reports were then accepted and are available for review in the Clerk's Office.

- **4. Review and consider approval of Resolution 2021-6; Police Week:** The resolution was read aloud. C. Vander Zanden made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-6 as presented. M. Rietveld seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
- **5. Review and consider approval of Resolution 2021-7; National Public Works Week:** The resolution was read aloud. T. Stutzman made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-7 as presented. J. Ponto seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
- **6. Village Board election of President Pro Tem:** A motion and second was made to nominate Cathy Vander Zanden as President Pro Tem. C. Vander Zanden accepted the nomination. M. Rietveld made a motion to elect C. Vander Zanden as President Pro Tem through April 2022. J. Ponto seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
- 7. Discuss sanitary sewer ordinance changes and review past four years of bills: The Administrator reviewed the bills with the trustees and explained that higher level Ammonia and BOD are red flags for the HOVMSD. The HOVMSD is considering a surcharge to communities that have these higher levels as it is a drain on the sewage treatment plant.

The matter was discussed. The consensus of trustee opinion was to include funding for testing of discharge to each of the basins to determine the source of the high ammonia and BOD. The findings will determine how the Village moves forward with its ordinance updates and potential surcharges.

- **8.** Discuss opening of time capsule scheduled for 05/18/21: The Administrator asked for suggestions for the time capsule opening ceremony who to invite, who will speak, what will be presented. The matter was discussed, and the time capsule opening was rescheduled for 06/15/21 as it will be closer to the Centennial Celebration.
- 9. Other business, updates or items for future agendas:
  - a) Ambulance service discussion assign participants, if appropriate The Administrator and Fire Chief will attend the first meeting scheduled for 05/17/21
- **10. Adjourn:** T. Stutzman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm. J. Krueger seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.