

**VILLAGE OF FALL RIVER
BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, August 10, 2022 ~ 6:00 PM
MINUTES**

President Slotten called the meeting to order.

Board Members present: Ninmann, Gould, Robbins, Birr and Dykstra. Absent: Pawlisch
Village Representatives: Craig Schultz (DPW), Marie Abegglen (C-T), Ben Upward (GEC)

Approve Agenda – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Dykstra and seconded by Trustee Ninmann to approve the agenda. All Members present – aye – motion carried.

ENGINEERING/ATTORNEY/FINANCIAL ADVISOR

Dorner Pay Request #3, \$224,401.54 – The utility mains and laterals are all in. Some of the residents are connecting their sump pump to the storm sewer. Kopplin is scheduled to start next week. WE Energies needs to make a connection and they will hopefully get that in soon. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and seconded by Trustee Robbins to approve the Pay Request #3 for \$224,401.54. All Members present – aye - motion carried.

Consideration to use ARPA Funds for Pay Request #3 – Greg Johnson recommended that we use this money now. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and seconded by Trustee Dykstra to use the ARPA funds for the Pay Request #3 and the balance from the General Obligation funds. All Members present – aye - motion carried.

Consideration of Industrial Park Expansion Infrastructure Project – There is a party that has shown interest in @ 5 acres. They would need infrastructure. Ben has an updated estimate of \$2.3 to 2.9 million to put in the required utilities and streets. The biggest challenge is the water utility. It may require a booster pump to get the pressure needed. But that would be a benefit to the whole village. Badger Pallet is still interested in a parcel for parking trailers. Greg Johnson was not able to get calculations here for this meeting. If we move forward with the engineering and all else falls through, we will still have the plans for future use. We could go out for bids and reject them all if it was too costly. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Dykstra and seconded by Trustee Birr to have GEC move forward with the engineering design for Phase II of the Industrial Park Infrastructure Project. All Members present – aye - motion carried.

Consideration of final VG Developers Agreement – This was approved last month but Brent has requested an escrow rather than a letter of credit. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and seconded by Trustee Birr to approve the VG Condo Developers Agreement final version. All Members present – aye - motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

PUBLIC WORKS

Julius and Jake will be on vacation next week. The Prairie Street water tower should be painted yet this summer. Kevin Theel will be doing the stump removals. Jake did the window cleaning so we will not have to hire that out.

Consideration of Sidewalk Inspection/Repair Program – This was discussed a couple of years ago. The DPW will begin the inspection of all sidewalks this fall. Trustee Gould would like to walk along.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Consideration of transferring Officer Gunner Witthunn from Parttime to Fulltime at an estimated cost \$25,000 for the remainder of 2022. – Gunner would be eligible for the FT uniform allowance (over and above any PT allowance he has used). A new allowance would start 1/1/23. Vacation after one year. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Dykstra to approve transferring Officer Witthun from part-time to full time as of 08/21/22. All Members present – aye - motion carried.

Budget Amendment to transfer \$6,000 from Police Equipment Purchased to Police Fulltime Wages. – There was \$6,000 in the budget for cameras, and it will not be used. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and seconded by Trustee Birr to amend the 2022 budget - \$6,000 from the PD Equipment to PD fulltime wages. Roll call vote was taken with All Members present – aye - motion carried.

Consideration of using Non-Budgeted Income from Training Reimbursements of \$8,300 to offset non budgeted wages. – No action taken.

Consideration to use remaining required funds from the General Fund. – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and seconded by Trustee Robbins to use general funds for the required balance for the fulltime officer wages. All Members present – aye - motion carried.

Consideration to Amend Motion to approve ordering a new squad to be paid from funds raised by Robin for the K9 unit to use funds raised to purchase a used squad to be paid from funds raised for the K9 Unit. – The first available squad would be in 2024. Robin would like to find a used vehicle for \$20,000. At the Chiefs Convention Brent heard about “reloading” a vehicle. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Dykstra and seconded by Trustee Birr ~~to allow the PD to spend up to \$30,000~~ **to spend up to \$20,000 on a new vehicle. They must have \$30,000 in the K9 fund. They can use \$15,000 from the fund and borrow \$5,000 from the Village.** They can purchase a “new or reload” vehicle with \$15,000 coming from the K9 Fund and the remainder would be loan from the Village to the K9 Fund payable at \$500 per month. All Members present – aye - motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Motion to convene to Closed Session per WI Stat 19.85(1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, investing of public funds or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Negotiation and Discussion on Developer’s Agreement for Possible Retail Business and Consideration of a Possible Sale of a lot in the Industrial Park. – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and seconded by Trustee Birr to convene to Closed Session. Roll call vote was taken with All Members present – aye - motion carried.

Motion to Reconvene to Open Session per WI Stat 19.85(2) - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Dykstra and seconded by Trustee Birr to reconvene to open session. Roll call vote was taken with All Members present – aye - motion carried.

Consideration of Developers Agreement with DGI-Fall River, LLC – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and seconded by Trustee Birr to approve the Developers Agreement with DGI-Fall River, LLC. Roll call was taken with members Ninmann, Robbins, Birr, Dykstra and Slotten – yes. Gould – no. Motion carried.

Consideration of Offer to Purchase parcel of Industrial Land – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and seconded by Trustee Dykstra to counter offer the proposal as discussed in Closed Session. Roll call vote was taken with All Members present – aye - motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Window Cleaning Bid from Green Window Cleaning Service - \$408.00

MINUTES, BILLS, FINANCIAL REPORT

Minutes from 07/13/2022 – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and seconded by Trustee Gould to approve the Closed Session Minutes of 07/13/22. All Members present – aye - motion carried. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and second by Trustee Gould to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on 07/13/22. All Members present – aye - motion carried.

Bills for Payment – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and seconded by Trustee Ninmann to approve the bills for payment. All Members present – aye - motion carried.

Financial Report from July 2022 – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and seconded by Trustee Birr to approve the Financial Report from July. All Members present – aye - motion carried.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT – The Village and F&M Bank will co-sponsor a shred event in the bank parking lot on September 30th from 3-5 pm. The Concert turned out great.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and seconded by Trustee Birr to adjourn. All Members present – aye - motion carried. Meeting adjourned @ 9:20 PM.