

**VILLAGE OF FALL RIVER  
BOARD MEETING  
Wednesday, June 12, 2019 ~ 6:00 PM  
MINUTES**

**President Slotten called the meeting to order.**

Trustees present: Ninmann, Gould, Robbins, Birr, Dykstra and Pawlisch.

Village Representatives: Craig Schultz (DPW), Marie Abegglen (C-T), Brent Van Gysel (PD)

Guests: Bryan, Alyssa and Clara Schultz, Matt Stai, Randy Frank and Keith Miller

**Approve Agenda** – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Pawlisch and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve the agenda. All Members – aye - motion carried.

**ENGINEERING/ATTORNEY/FINANCIAL ADVISOR**

**Keith Miller CSM** – There is no change to the CSM that is being presented tonight. It is being brought back for a full Board to be present. The last meeting one Board member was not able to attend. The vote ended in a tie. Keith found a sentence in an ordinance that he believes makes his request possible. He also stated that this CSM doesn't change anything that is existing except that it divides a parcel off that contains the house. He would remain in control of the access easement that allows him to bring farm machinery to his Ag property. The house would have to be re-zoned to Residential. President Slotten gave his position that does not agree with Keith Miller's. We would be creating a non-conforming lot. It has no street frontage and does not meet the required setbacks. Keith Miller stated that the easements spells out who is responsible for the snowplowing and upkeep. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Robbins to approve the CSM as presented pending review of the Easement documents by the Village Attorney. Roll call vote was taken with Members Ninmann, Gould, Dykstra and Robbins – yes, Members Birr, Pawlisch and Slotten – no. Motion carried.

**Update on Dam Project** – There was a pre-construction meeting held at the dam. The contractor plans to start work in late July if the new gates have arrived. There will be a pre-construction meeting regarding the roof replacement project on Tuesday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM.

**Columbus Wastewater Task Order Response** – A Task Order was received from the City of Columbus. It included participation from the Village's Fund that is held by the City. The Order was sent to Gil Hantsch from MSA to review. He concluded that he did agree with Columbus that it is a legitimate use of the Village's funds. A response has been drafted to reply to the City. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Pawlisch to approve the response that we agree with the City of Columbus and the use of the Village's Funds for this Task Order. All Members – aye – motion carried.

**Fall River School Access Agreement** – The School District has provided another revised access easement for the Prairie Street property. The change is to #3 Obstructions. This gives the Village passage at any time. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve the revised Access Easement document with the Fall River School District. Members Ninmann, Gould, Robbins, Birr, Dykstra and Pawlisch – yes, Slotten – no. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC INPUT** - Several residents from Jennifer Lane brought their concerns to the Board regarding a vicious dog owned by a resident on their street. This is the second dog that they have had that has bitten. The dog they have now has bitten two people and two dogs. Our current ordinance does not allow for the dog to be removed. It only allows for a heavy fine. They have paid the fines in the past and continue to harbor the dog. The residents would like to see the Board take into account incidents like this. They would like to see the ordinance allow for a dog that is considered vicious to be removed. Chief Van Gysel knows of the incidents but stated

there is nothing in our ordinance that allows him to remove the dog. He knows that they have paid hefty fines in the past. He would like to see the fee schedule revised and increased in the process of updating of our ordinances.

It was also requested that the Village be a voice in complaints regarding the railroad tracks on Johnson Road.

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

**Update on Yard Waster/Recycle Center** – The recycle area is coming along very well. The Emergency Management Trailer has been taken to the site for the monitors to use until we can get something permanent. DPW has some ideas to bring to the Board in a future meeting.

**CMAR Resolution 19 0612** – Craig presented the “A” grade that was received by Sewer Department. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and second by Trustee Pawlisch to approve the CMAR Resolution 19 0612(1). There are no issues to be addressed. Roll call vote was taken with all Members – yes – motion carried.

**Cummins Planned Maintenance Program for Generators** The three-year maintenance program needs to be renewed. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve the three-year contract renewal with Cummins for \$4,310.36. All Members – aye – motion carried.

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

There is no monthly report.

**Don Ehlers ~ Junked Vehicle Ordinance** – Mr. Ehlers stated that his property is in a commercial zoned area. The Police Department has recently visited and requested that vehicles be moved off the property. He believes the requests for him to remove vehicles is excessive. Mr. Ehlers would like to have the Board work with him and give him time to get things cleaned up. He has a couple of vehicles that are close to being sold. He hopes to have things cleaned up and he can sell the property and move up north within the next two years. He remembers that Brent told him he could have nine vehicles. Now he is being limited to six. Some Members believe that the property looks much better than it used to. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Dykstra to halt any further Police Department action as long as the forklift is removed from the property by the end of June and the Dodge Truck is removed by the end of July. Members Ninmann, Gould, Robbins, Birr, Dykstra and Sloten – yes, Pawlisch – no. Motion carried.

The new squad is in and scheduled to be delivered next week. The change-over needs to be done. They need to purchase a new MDC mount.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**Report from Clean-Up Day (took in \$938.00)** – The charge from Columbia County Waste is \$584 and advertising of \$26. The profit made is \$328.

**Report from Concert In The Park – Donation to School Band Program** – Donation cans = \$350.58, Sales = \$727.00 and F&M Bank \$100. Expenses = \$449.92 plus outstanding advertising. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Gould to donate \$350 to the FRHS Band program. All Members – aye – motion carried.

**Consideration of a sign out front** – The Clerk didn’t want anyone to forget that she would like to continue to pursue the possibility of having a digital sign out front.

**Trustee Robbins – Economic Development 101** – The presenter, Michael Gay, has a conflict with the original date of 6/26. It was decided that the class will be rescheduled for Monday, July 15<sup>th</sup>.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Liquor License Applications on file** – There is a hold form a Liquor wholesaler for Wingz and Thingz. Randy Frank was present as he has an application on file. He does not have

a seller's permit or Fed ID. He would also need an inspection of the premise to be sure it is up to code. The length of time that it has remained closed is a factor. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Gould to grant approval to Randy Frank but the issuance of a license is contingent upon a completed application, all necessary improvement to the building to be able to pass a building inspection and he will be provided a 90-day notice to complete all requirements if another applicant comes forward. All Members – aye - motion carried.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve Wingz N Thingz contingent upon release from the Liquor Wholesaler. All Members – aye – motion carried.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve the remaining Class B and Class A Liquor License applications on file. All members – aye - motion carried.

**Bartender License Applications on file** – The PD has recommended approval of all Bartender Applications on file. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and second by Trustee Pawlisch to approve the Bartender Applications on file. All Members – aye – motion carried.

**Employee Resignation and Employee Leave of Absence** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Gould to accept the resignation from Hannah Rohlinger. All Members – aye – motion carried. An exit interview was completed yesterday with Hannah. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Pawlisch to accept the request for Leave of Absence from Robin Messer for up to one year with a beginning date of 06/12/19. All members – aye – motion carried.

**St of WI ETF Resolution 19 0612(2), Existing Employer Update Resolution** – This is an update required by Employee Trust Funds regarding our participation in the Health Insurance Program. There are no changes relating to the program. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and second by Trustee Pawlisch to approve Resolution 19 0612(2). All Members – aye – motion carried.

## **MINUTES, BILLS, FINANCIAL REPORT**

**Minutes from 05/08/19** – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and second by Trustee Pawlisch to approve the minutes of 05/08/19. All Members – aye - motion carried.

**Bills for Payment** – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and second by Trustee Birr to approve the bills presented for payment. All Members – aye - motion carried.

**Financial Report from May 2019** – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Ninmann to accept the Financial Report from May 2019. All Members – aye – motion carried.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT** – President Slotten discussed the village's desire to purchase more property for industrial growth with a local banker. The banker suggested not entering into any kind of a land swap. We are still looking for a way to contact area owners for a positive relationship.

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**ADJOURNMENT** – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and second by Trustee Pawlisch to adjourn. All Members – aye - motion carried. Meeting adjourned @ 9:00 PM.