

VILLAGE OF FALL RIVER
BOARD MEETING
Monday, December 8, 2014 ~ 6:00 PM
Fall River Municipal Building ~ 641 South Main Street

AGENDA
(Agenda is subject to change, **Discuss and Possible Action)

Board Members present: President Standke, Trustees: Ninmann, Robbins, Dieckhoff and Slotten. Absent: Gould.
Village representatives: Craig Schultz (DPW), Marie Abegglen (C-T), Karl Green (Village Attorney), Kory Anderson & Jerry Foellmi (GEC).
Guests: Bill Braun and Megan Sheridan

Budget Hearing – The allowable levy limit was \$696,321, up by \$20,038 for net new construction. The Finance Committee is presenting the budget for 2015 and maintaining the levy of \$676,283 which is the same as the 2013 levy. The closure of the TIF last year gave a one time increase in the levy limit and has helped to keep the levy down. The Village is continuing to work on a Capital Improvement Plan with surplus funds. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Slotten and second by Trustee Ninmann to close the Budget Hearing. All members – aye – motion carried.

Advanced Disposal – Jason Johnson – Badger Disposal has sold their business to Advanced Disposal. They are not looking at any drastic changes at this time. They are learning the routes. They have made some mistakes. Their goal is to be as efficient as possible. They will look into the cost effectiveness of using the carts. The drivers stay inside the vehicle and it cuts down on the workers compensation claims and costs. They will provide some brochures to distribute to residents.

President Standke called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

Approve Agenda** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and second by Trustee Dieckhoff to approve the agenda. All members – aye – motion carried.

ENGINEERING/ATTORNEY/FINANCIAL ADVISOR

US Cellular Lease Agreement** - Karl has received all the correct papers for the lease agreement. All the changes that were requested have been made. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Slotten and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve the lease with US Cellular based upon the recommendation of the Village Attorney. Roll call vote was taken with all Members present – yes – motion carried.

Update on Lazy Lake Lift Station project – Pay request #1 and Change Order #1** - There is a Change Order Increase of \$4,750.00 for the additional cost for drilling through rock and the Pay Request for \$153,088.65. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Slotten and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve the change order and pay request as submitted. Roll call vote was taken with all Members – yes - motion carried.

Update and possible decision on Bar Screen Project (OK with USDA to wait until January)** - A crane company was contacted to be sure they could access the well. They can reach at least 35'. Craig has met with GEC to review the aspects of the project. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Slotten and second by Trustee Ninmann to hire GEC to continue with a proposal to install a vertical screen at the main lift station. Roll call vote was taken with Members Slotten, Ninmann, Robbins, Dieckhoff – yes, President Standke – abstained. Motion carried.

Cross Connection Inspections – Discuss and possible action** - There are re-inspections that need to be done. Some residents do not respond. Further action, shutting off the water service, can be done if the Board would direct the DPW. GEC would like to revisit the contract.

Capital Improvement Plan – Discuss and Possible action (action needed for ITA's/PERF's)** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and second by Trustee Robbins to have GEC send the Intent To Apply for the Safe Drinking Water and Clean Water DNR grant programs. All Members – aye – motion carried. Kory provided estimates for street work for the Capital Improvement Plan. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Slotten and second by Trustee Ninmann to have GEC prepare and send a target survey for the South Street residents for possible application for a grant.

Reports on Main Street and Vita Plus Drive properties – The Board is continuing to pursue the possibility of obtaining more land for industrial expansion. The Jensen property on Main Street has been looked at

for future expansion. The United Coop property on Vita Plus is for sale and could be industrial/commercial use. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Dieckhoff and second by Trustee Slotten to have the Finance Committee meet to review properties and present findings at a Closed Session. All Members – aye – motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS – No other business.

POLICE DEPARTMENT - The November report was emailed. The Board would like a Police Dept representative at all Board meetings.

OLD BUSINESS

Property prospects** - Continuing discussions needed.

Offer to purchase property** - No action taken.

Revolving Loan – Johnson Day Care** - A letter should be drafted requesting a review of their loan. The Finance Committee and Attorney Green should review before sending.

Set Committee date for reviewing Ordinances** - Alan Harvey should be contacted.

NEW BUSINESS

Approve wage increases for 2015** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and seconded by Trustee Dieckhoff to approve the wages increases as presented. All Members – aye – motion carried.

Approve budget for 2015** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Slotten and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve the Budget for 2015. The levy would stay the same as it was in 2014 budget, \$676,283.

Approve Mill Rates** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Dieckhoff and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve the Village mill rate at 0.005381959. Roll call vote was taken with all Members – yes – motion carried. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and second by Trustee Slotten to approve the total Village mill rate at 0.019464649. Roll call vote was taken with all Members – yes – motion carried.

Set date for Caucus** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Slotten and second by Trustee Ninmann to set the date for Caucus at January 14, 2015. All Members – aye – motion carried.

Set Christmas Bonus for Employees** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and seconded by Trustee Slotten to present a bonus to full time employee of \$100 and part time employees at \$50. All Members – aye – motion carried.

Columbia County MOU for SVRS (Statewide Voter Registration System) \$750** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Slotten and second by Trustee Dieckhoff to approve the MOU as presented. All Members – aye – motion carried.

FYI – Concert in the Park set for Monday, June 1, 2015 – 6:00 PM, FRHS Band

Bartender Application – Bonnie Rostad** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Dieckhoff and second by Trustee Robbins to approve the application as presented. All Members – aye – motion carried.

Amendment to the EMS contract with Lifestar** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Slotten and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve the Amendment to the Lifestar contract as presented. All Members – aye – motion carried.

MINUTES, BILLS, FINANCIAL REPORT

Minutes of 11/13/14** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Dieckhoff and second by Trustee Robbins to approve the minutes of 11/13/14. All members – aye – motion carried.

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

Financial Report for November** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and second by Trustee Dieckhoff to approve the Financial Report for November. All Members – aye – motion carried.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT – Heier Fence is working on a proposal to replace the railing on South Street.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Vacation carryover for Marie** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and seconded by Trustee Slotten to allow Marie to carryover vacation.

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