

**VILLAGE OF FALL RIVER
BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, February 10, 2016 ~ 6:00 PM
MINUTES**

President Slotten called the meeting to order.

Trustees present: Ninmann, Robbins, Schmiechen, Freedman and Birr. Absent: Gould.
Village representatives: Kory Anderson (GEC), Karl Green (Village Attorney), Craig Schultz (DPW), Marie Abegglen (C-T) and Brent Van Gysel (PD).
Guests: Bill Braun and Brennen Weigel

Approve Agenda – Attorney Green did not feel that we need to convene to Closed Session and reconvene to open session. He will just provide an update. The Clerk requested to add discussion on a request from the Fall River Rec Department regarding use of park facilities by the Xplosion Softball Group and a CDAR investment renewal. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Schmiechen and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve the agenda with the changes as noted. All Members – aye – motion carried.

ENGINEERING/ATTORNEY/FINANCIAL ADVISOR

Fall River Foundry – Building Expansion/Site Development – Brennen Weigel was here to inform the Board of his plans to expand by adding a machine shop at the FR Foundry. There are some major hurdles involving a water main and storm sewer. The best option is to relocate the water main. The storm sewer could be built over if no alternate option is available. Storm water control may be required and DNR approval for same. Brennen is looking for the Boards approval to move forward. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Schmiechen and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve the conceptual plan of moving the Village’s water main, building over the existing storm sewer and the conceptual site plan for the Fall River Foundry. Specific plans to follow for approval. All Members – aye – motion carried.

Cardinal Construction Pay Request #5 - \$30,863.60** - There are still some major issues and punch list items that need to be taken care of. Kory does not recommend payment at this time. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and second by Trustee Birr to deny payment of the Pay Request #5 until all inspections are done and the work is approved. Roll call vote was taken with all Members – yes – motion carried.

Floodplain Ordinance Update – Kory is recommending the use of the DNR model Ordinance with flood storage. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve to have Kory submit the updated ordinance to the DNR for their approval. All Members – aye – motion carried.

6:30 Motion to convene to Closed Session per WI Stat 19.85(1)(e), Negotiating the investing of Public Funds for the Inter-municipal Agreement

Motion to reconvene into open session per WI Stat 19.85(2)

Amendment to the Inter-municipal Agreement with the City of Columbus for Wastewater Treatment Services** - Karl, Jeff and Marie had a conference call with Gil Hantsch (MSA) regarding the proposed amendment sent by the City of Columbus. There were several things that need to be clarified. It is suggested that their and our engineer(s), Board members and staff meet to review the possible changes. Karl will find a date for a meeting.

US Cellular Ground Lease Agreement** - There are three new members on the Board since the last time we reviewed the lease. There are still some questions. Karl will contact Dick Rogers for clarification and keep this moving. If needed, Dick will be asked to come to a meeting.

PUBLIC INPUT - None

PUBLIC WORKS

Plow Truck Purchase** - Craig is working on obtaining pricing for the purchase of a new plow truck. The DPW Committee met to review the information that Craig had available. He is still working on getting more info and quotes.

The bar screen is working very well. It only took six days to fill the first time. The can must have weighed @ 300 pounds.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – The monthly report was not available. Zack Fredricksen, the fulltime officer broke his ankle while on an assist call in the City of Columbus. Zack will try to be in on light duty as much as possible. He is to be off for at least a week. The squad purchase was moved up on the agenda from the Financial report. A police utility vehicle was ordered and has arrived. There is a request for payment of \$27,103. The sinking funds are not available until April. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Robbins to pay the request of \$27,103.00 to Columbus Countryside Ford, the funds are to be withdrawn from LGIP #01 until the CD at American National Bank can be withdrawn in April. The \$27,103 is to be paid back to the LGIP #01. Trustees Robbins, Schmiechen, Freedman and Birr – yes. Trustee Ninmann – no, as he believes that Board approval should have been received before this purchase was made. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Disability Insurance – A proposal has been received from Sun Life for short term disability. The annual cost for the current eligible staff is \$989.00 per year. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Schmiechen and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve the plan proposed by Sun Life Insurance. All Members – aye – motion carried. The personnel Handbook will need to be updated.

Spring Clean-up**- A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and second by Trustee Freedman to host a spring clean-up on May 14, 2016 from 9 AM until Noon. All members – yea – motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Concert In the Park – Jesse Walker** - No action was taken. The Board would like more time to consider this.

Dates for Open Book 04/21/16 (4-6 PM) and Board of Review 05/19/15 (4-6 PM)** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Robbins to amend the times for Board of Review to 6-8 PM and approve both dates. All Members – aye – motion carried.

Haz-Mat Agreement with Columbia County** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve the Haz-Mat Agreement with Columbia County. All Members – aye – motion carried.

EMC Insurance Renewal** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Freedman to approve the insurance renewal with EMC. All Members – aye – motion carried. Dennis Buchda with Richards Insurance is the agent.

An email was read from the Rec Dept. There seems to be a conflict regarding the use of the ball diamonds for the Explosion Softball Tournament. We need to find out more information.

MINUTES, BILLS, FINANCIAL REPORT

Minutes from 01/13/16** - The amount of the gift certificates should be \$50 not \$25. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve the minutes of 01/13/16 with the correction. All Members – aye – motion carried.

Bills for payment** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Robbins to approve all remaining bills for payment. All Members – aye – motion carried.

Countryside Ford Police Utility \$27,103** - See above.

Financial Report from January 2016** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve the Financial Report for January. All Members – aye – motion carried.

CDAR Renewal** - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and second by Trustee Schmiechen to renew the CDAR for 12 months, .55% at F&M Bank. All Members – aye – motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – We have received our ratings from the DNR Clean Water and Safe Drinking Water fund applications. We rate too high to be a candidate to receive funding. The South Street project needs to keep moving along. The Board should consider finding temporary help for the DPW until the employee on leave is able to return.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Trek Ride – June 11th

ADJOURNMENT – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Schmiechen and second by Trustee Ninmann to adjourn. All Members – aye – motion carried. Meeting adjourned @ 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted
Marie L. Abegglen