

**VILLAGE OF FALL RIVER  
BOARD MEETING  
Wednesday, November 11, 2020 ~ 6:00 PM  
MINUTES**

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

Trustees present: Ninmann, Robbins, Birr, Pawlisch and Dykstra (remote). Absent: Gould  
Village representatives: Craig Schultz (DPW), Marie Abegglen (C-T), Brent Van Gysel (PD), Kory  
Anderson (GEC) remote.

**Approve Agenda** – Chad Jones was unable to attend tonight’s meeting. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and second by Trustee Pawlisch to approve the agenda with the change. All Members present – aye – motion carried.

**Swear in New Fire Chief Chad Jones**

**ENGINEERING/ATTORNEY/FINANCIAL ADVISOR**

**Cardinal Construction Change Order #2** – This change order is for \$3,646.25. Increase in Landscaping of \$7,181. A savings of \$3,535 due to less gravel used. Net change order is \$3,646.25. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Pawlisch and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve change order #2 for \$3,646.25. Roll call vote was taken with all Members present – aye – motion carried.

**Cardinal Construction Pay Request #5 for \$49,632.25** – There will still be retainage of \$16,887.23. Everything is looking good. A few punch list items still need to be taken care of. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and second by Trustee Birr to approve the Pay Request #5 to Cardinal Construction for \$49,632.25 with a retainage of \$16,887.23. Roll call vote was taken with all Members present – aye – motion carried.

**TIF Boundary Change and Amended Project Plan** – Kory will start doing the field work for the TIF boundary change. This should be ready for the December meeting.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

**PUBLIC WORKS** – Craig and Julius are working on getting everything ready for the winter. The lift stations are cleaned. There have been extreme amounts of the “flushable” wipes collected in the lift stations. The main lift gets a full garbage can every week. He has a new company out of Green Bay that is doing the work now. They do a great job. The park bathrooms have been winterized.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT** – The monthly report was distributed. A child predator was caught in a sting operation in Fall River. Robin will be having surgery again in December. He will be out 8 – 10 weeks. He plans to hire a female officer to start December 1<sup>st</sup>. They had 7 applications and only 3 showed up.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Bartender Applications on file: Rochelle Schwoerer, Christopher Roth, Anthony Berndt** – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Pawlisch to deny the bartender license for Rochelle Schwoerer due to not disclosing all her convictions. Roll call vote was taken with all Members present – aye – motion carried. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Pawlisch and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve the bartender license applications from Christopher Roth and Anthony Berndt. All Members present – aye – motion carried.

**Approve 2021 Water Budget** – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Pawlisch to table the approval of the Water budget to the December meeting. All Members present – aye – motion carried.

**Approve 2021 Sewer Budget** – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and second by Trustee Birr to approve the proposed Sewer budget to send to the USDA for their approval. All Members present – aye – motion carried.

**Ehlers Financial Advisors – Scope of Services to Provide Annual TIF Reporting** – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve the Scope of Services for Ehlers to assist in the annual TIF reporting. All Members present – aye – motion carried.

**Wages for 2021** – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Pawlisch to approve the wages for 2021 as presented. All Members present – aye – motion carried.

**Clerk Request for Unused Vacation Payout due to Extenuating Circumstances** – The Clerk is unable to use her vacation due to being short staffed in the office since March 2020 and the highly time-consuming election in November. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Pawlisch to allow up to 80 hours of vacation to be paid out and 40 hours to be rolled over to 2021. She should try to use as much as possible. Members Ninmann, Robbins, Birr, Dykstra and Pawlisch – yes, Slotten – no. Motion carried.

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

**Minutes from 10/14/20** – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Robbins to approve both the minutes from the meeting and Closed Session as presented. All Members present – aye – motion carried.

**Bills for Payment** – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and second by Trustee Birr to pay the bills presented. All Members present – aye – motion carried.

**Financial Report from October 2020** – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Pawlisch to approve the Financial Report as presented. All Members present – aye – motion carried.

**PRESIDENT’S REPORT** – Jesse, our attorney, is working to get appraisals for the purchase of land for a new street in the Industrial Park. He has a price of \$1,800 each for the appraisal of the two parcels. Grothman is working with Kory on a CSM. The Board should think about possibly renting the land in the spring.

#### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**Finance Meeting Monday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM**

**Clerk’s Office to be Closed Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, December 24<sup>th</sup>** – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Pawlisch and second by Trustee Ninmann to allow the Clerk’s Office to close for the Holidays as requested. All Members present – aye – motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT** – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and second by Trustee Pawlisch to adjourn. All Members present – aye – motion carried. Meeting adjourned @ 7:45 PM.

Marie Abegglen