

VILLAGE OF FALL RIVER
BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, January 12, 2022 ~ 6:00 PM

CAUCUS

Present: Jeff Slotten, John Ninmann, Dan Birr, Mike Dykstra, Tom Pawlisch, Craig Schultz, Marie Abegglen, Brian Frank and Connor Frank.

President Slotten Chaired the Caucus. The incumbents are John Ninmann, Judith Robbins, and Tom Pawlisch.. The floor was opened for nominations.

A nomination of John Ninmann by Craig Schultz, second by Dan Birr

A nomination of Judy Robbins by Marie Abegglen, second by Mike Dykstra

A nomination of Tom Pawlsich by Craig Schultz and second by Mike Dykstra.

A nomination of Brian Frank by Brian Frank, second by Dan Birr

President Slotten asked three more times for nominations. Hearing none A MOTION WAS MADE BY Marie Abegglen and second by Dan Birr to close the nominations and the caucus. All present – aye – caucus closed.

AGENDA

President Slotten called the meeting to order.

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

Village representatives: Craig Schultz (DPW) and Marie Abegglen (C-T)

Guests: Brian and Connor Frank

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

ENGINEERING/ATTORNEY/FINANCIAL ADVISOR

Preliminary Resolution Declaring Intent to Exercise Special Assessment Powers Under Section 66.0703 WI Stats. For Curb and Gutter and Sidewalk as part of the 2022 Street Construction Project. This relates to the Church, Hilltop and Sunrise Street Project. – This resolution sets in motion the assessment process. Property owners affected have been notified. A Public Meeting was held at the Fire Station on 01/11/22. Attendance was good. Residents had questions for the engineers. The meeting went very well. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Dykstra to approve Resolution 22 0112. Roll call vote was taken with All Members present – aye – motion carried.

Review/Discuss Proposed Financing Plan for the C/H/S Project – Greg Johnson from Ehlers Financial Services provided an updated borrowing plan. The plan is to use ARPA funds for this project. This project involves Water and Sewer as well as the General Fund. The Sewer State Trust Fund loan will be paid off in 2023. The project could start in April or May. The first pay request could be in June. The financing will take 30 – 60 days.

Amendment to Offer to Purchase from JDSG Group, Extend Due Diligence to February 8th and the Closing date to February 15th. – This amendment is to extend the Closing Date. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Pawlisch and seconded by Trustee Ninmann to approve the amendment to the offer to purchase from JDSG Group. All Members present – aye – motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

PUBLIC WORKS – Julius has done a good job while Craig was out. President Slotten helped to pick up the slack. The pump at the Kane St well needs to be rebuilt. They have to wait until it is taken out to see the extent of work needed. The estimated repairs may be @ \$10,000.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – The monthly report was emailed. The Canine vehicle looks nice.

OLD BUSINESS

Water Utility Rate Increase Effective March 1, 2022 – The Water rate increase is set to be in effect on March 1, 2022. The application will be sent tomorrow.

NEW BUSINESS

Review Insurance proposals for Feb 5, 2022 – Feb 5, 2023 – We have two proposals for the Village and Fire District Insurance. Richards Insurance - \$54,458 and the League \$43,942. It is difficult to justify the \$10,000 difference in order to stay with Richards. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and seconded by Trustee Dykstra to approve going with the League for 02/05/22-02/05/23. All Members present – aye – motion carried.

Consideration of a Covid leave/sick time policy – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and seconded by Trustee Pawlisch to approve up to 80 hours additional Covid related time off for the calendar year 2022, retro active to the last pay period. All Members present – aye – motion carried.

Bartender Applications on file: Stacy Keely, Jordyne Fletcher – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Pawlisch to deny the application for Stacy Keely. Roll call vote was taken with All Members present – aye – motion carried. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Pawlisch and seconded by Trustee Ninmann to approve the license for Jordyn Fletcher. All Members present – aye – motion carried.

MINUTES, BILLS, FINANCIAL REPORT

Minutes from December 8 and 16, 2021 – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Pawlisch and seconded by Trustee Ninmann to approve the minutes from 12/8/21 and 12/16/21. All Members present – aye – motion carried.

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

Financial Report from December 2021 A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Ninmann to approve the Financial Report from December as presented. All Members present – aye – motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Pawlisch and seconded by Trustee Ninmann to adjourn. All Members present – aye – motion carried. Meeting adjourned @ 7:05 PM.

Marie Abegglen