

**VILLAGE OF FALL RIVER
BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, July 12, 2023 ~ 6:00 PM
Fall River Municipal Building ~ 641 South Main Street**

Swear in Ronald Spurbeck as the new Chief of Police. Starting July 18th and Chief Van Gysel retiring as of August 1st. The Clerk swore in Ronald Spurbeck as the new Chief of Police. There were several friends and family in attendance.

**AGENDA
(Agenda is subject to change)**

President Slotten called the meeting to order.

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

A quorum of the Village Board is in attendance.

Village Representatives: Craig Schultz (DPW), Marie Abegglen (C-T), Ben Upward (GEC), Greg Johnson and Arianna Schmidt (Ehlers), Brent Van Gysel (PD).

Approve Agenda – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and seconded by Trustee Robbins to approve the agenda.

ENGINEERING/ATTORNEY/FINANCIAL ADVISOR

RESOLUTION 23 0712 - A RESOLUTION AWARDING THE SALE OF \$1,565,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BONDS, SERIES 2023A – Greg provided the Sale Day Report. There were six bidders. The low bidder was BOK Financial Securities. This is \$116,412 less than the estimate from last month. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and seconded by Trustee Birr to approve Resolution 23 0712 awarding the sale of the Bonds. Roll call vote was taken with Members Ninmann, Robbins, and Birr – yes, Slotten – no. Motion carried. President Slotten believes more of the funds on hand should have been used for this project and kept the borrowing lower.

Dorner Pay Request @ \$8,700 – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and seconded by Trustee Birr to approve the Pay Request #8 from Dorner for \$8,699.40, Rollcall was taken with all Members present – yes – motion carried.

Ben reported on the Industrial Park construction. Some of the plans have been changed at the last minute. They did some blasting. All businesses were to be notified. Dan Birr works at EK and he was not aware that they had been notified. Ben will check on that. The sanitary is being worked on and the water should start in about 2 – 3 weeks.

Annexation Ordinance 13-1-27(g)(1) (23 0712) for Metalcraft from Fountain Prairie – The annexation cannot be acted upon. It needs 2/3 of the Board to be present, which would be 5 members.

US Cellular/Verizon request – Verizon has contacted us regarding installing an antenna on the US Cellular antenna on Prairie St. At this time they are pushing it off until later.

PUBLIC INPUT - Pat Ann St.Germian has a little more information on the proposed use of Hometown Park for a soccer field. She has someone from Beaver Dam that is helping her. They believe it would be a great spot. They would like to see snow fencing along a ditch. They play soccer in the spring and fall months. She will continue her work on this.

Todd Toman had asked about grills in the parks. They have been removed because of maintenance and cleanup. He would like to see more VFW signs in Fall River. Possibly the school could help out with making them.

PUBLIC WORKS

Denure Excavating – Repair culvert under South Main Street \$2,545 – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and seconded by Trustee Birr to accept the bid from Denure to repair the culverts serving the Hwy 16 Lift Station. All Members present – aye motion carried.

Pumps for the Hwy 16 Lift Station – Cables are rotted. Pumps can't be repaired. It is in our best interest to upgrade this station. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and seconded by Trustee Ninmann to accept the proposal from L.W. Allen for \$19,982 for the repairs to the Hwy 16 Lift Station. All Members present – aye motion carried.

They have made repairs to the railing across from CJ's. They hope that all the tree removals are finished. They have taken down 65- 69 trees. Steinhorst will grind the stumps out. They have been watering the trees in Hometown Park and they are looking pretty good. Street sweeping is to be done this week. Street and sidewalk crossing marking will be done this week or next.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – Brent passed out the monthly report. This will be his last meeting as Chief of Police. Ron Spurbeck will be here for the August meeting. President Sloten read a proclamation honoring his service.

OLD BUSINESS

Pellitteri Contract Renewal – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and seconded by Trustee Birr to proceed with a 10 year contract with Pellitteri. All Members present – aye – motion carried. We are also looking at changing the dumpster out back from GFL to Pellitteri.

NEW BUSINESS

Fax Machine replacement – Rhyme Supply \$295.00 – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and seconded by Trustee Ninmann to approve the replacement of the fax machine. All Members present – aye motion carried.

Picnic License – FRFD 07/29/23 in the Village Park - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and seconded by Trustee Robbins to approve the picnic license for the FRFD for 07/29/23. All Members present – aye motion carried.

Bartender Applications – Eugene Adam, Gary Gottschalk, Carol Jones, Chad Jones, Steve Obrion - A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and seconded by Trustee Birr to approve the bartender applications on file. All Members present – aye motion carried.

MINUTES, BILLS, FINANCIAL REPORT

Minutes from 06/14/23 A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and seconded by Trustee Ninmann to approve the minutes from 06/14/23. All Members present – aye motion carried.

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

Financial Report from June 2023 – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and seconded by Trustee Birr to accept the Financial Report as presented. All Members present – aye motion carried.

Investment Maturities at Ehlers - MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and seconded by Trustee Birr to accept the recommendation from Ehlers for re-investing funds. Trustees Ninmann, Robbins, Birr – yes. Sloten – no. Motion carried.

Capital Improvement CDAR Due 07/20/23 – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and seconded by Trustee Robbins to renew the CDAR at F&M Bank for 6 months. All Members present – aye motion carried.

Accounts at F&M Bank for TIF #5 and Debt Service – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and seconded by Trustee Ninmann to open a TIF #5 and a Debt Service account as needed by the Clerk, Marie Abegglen. All members present – aye – motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – President Slotten will check on the retention pond at Badger Pallet. We will check to see that the maintenance agreement is taken care of. We will not accept ownership until it is cleaned to our satisfaction.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and seconded by Trustee Birr to adjourn. All Members present – aye motion carried. Meeting adjourned @ 7:45 P.M.

Marie Abegglen