

**VILLAGE OF FALL RIVER  
BOARD MEETING  
Wednesday, March 13, 2019 ~ 6:00 PM  
MINUTES**

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

Trustees present: Ninmann, Gould, Robbins, Birr, Miller and Pawlisch

Village Representatives: Craig Schultz (DPW), Kory Anderson (GEC), Marie Abegglen (C-T), Brent VanGysel (PD)

Guests: Tim Lawton (Oliver Const) and Mark Mickelson (SHE)

**Approve Agenda** – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Miller and second by Trustee Pawlisch to approve the agenda. All Members – aye – motion carried.

**ENGINEERING/ATTORNEY/FINANCIAL ADVISOR**

**Consider Recommendation from Plan Commission for Athletic Facility** – The PC met on 2/27 with Tim and Mark from the School project. They were given a list of items that needed to be changed. Kory has been working with the school's engineer to address those topics. Kory has received updated stormwater management plans. The legal descriptions for the easements are to be prepared by the school's engineer. The document will be prepared by the Village Attorney. Kory recommends approval of the updated site plans. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Miller and second by Trustee Birr to accept the update site plan as provided to the Village Engineer. All Members – aye – motion carried. The Developers Agreement still needs to be approved by the School at their 3/20 meeting. After that the school would be looking for a building permit.

**Dam Repair Bids** – The bids came in way higher than estimated. The cost of the gates is much higher than expected. The original estimate was \$51,750. Bids came in at \$321,488.00 and \$208,325.00. Craig is OK with eliminating the Portable hydraulic operator - \$19,000.00. DNR has been contacted. They are open to funding the grant at 50% for the higher amount. Low bid is \$208,325.00 less \$19,000.00 = \$189,325.00 less 50% grant of \$94,662.50 = \$94,662.50 to divide 50/50 with Fountain Prairie = \$47,331.25 each. This is much more than an original estimate of less than \$20,000 each. If we don't accept the total project, we would lose the 50% on needed repairs. Fountain Prairie will need to be contacted to see if they are willing to accept the project at the higher amount. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Miller and second by Trustee Ninmann to recommend to Fountain Prairie that we move forward with the needed repairs at the bid price of \$208,325.00 less the \$19,000.00 for the portable hydraulic operator and receive the 50% grant from the DNR and split the remaining portion of \$94,662.50 for a total of \$47,331.25 each. Roll call vote was taken with all Members – yes. President Slotten will attend the next meeting of the Ft. Prairie Board on 3/21/19.

**GEC Cross Connection Inspection Agreement** – The Residential and Small Business inspection fee is proposed to go from \$40 to \$45 each. Last year all residential inspections were made. There are a non-compliant rechecks that need to be done. The residential cross connections inspections are scheduled to start again in 2022. A meter replacement schedule needs to begin in 2032. These can be budgeted for now. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Pawlisch to approve the Cross-Connection Inspection Agreement with GEC. All Members – aye – motion carried.

## **PUBLIC INPUT**

### **PUBLIC WORKS**

**Consider Prairie Street Speed Limit Reduction** - The Board discussed reducing the speed limit on Prairie St due to the future school athletic property. With the amount of traffic that it is supposed to bring to this area, it would be prudent to slow it down through there. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and second by Trustee Birr to reduce the speed limit from 35 to 25 mph from Lazy lake Dr to the Village limits. All Members – aye – motion carried.

Ed Hendzel from WRWA was down with their correlator equipment to see if he could help find the water leak that has been going on for a few months. Craig is quite certain that they found it right across the street from the Village Hall at the Quonset building that has been empty for many years. There are water and sewer laterals that have been unknown until now. They may have been hit when the Charter Comm work was being done. They won't know for sure until it is dug up. There are lots of fiber optic lines in that area.

Someone from General Engineering is going to come out on Monday to look at the areas we are considering that we may need a generator. We need someone to tell us the size that we should have for our needs. Once that is known, Craig can get prices on a generator.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

The monthly report was emailed. The PD has done a couple of drug searches and have arrested a couple of dealers.

**Consider Purchase of New Squad** – They were not able to get the Ford vehicle from Kayser Ford. That vehicle was already taken. We could order a 2020 model and get it in Sept-Oct. He talked with others at the Chief's Convention. Some are going with the Dodge Durango. The equipment can be transferred easily. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Ninmann to agree to the purchase of a Dodge Durango from Ewald or a local dealer for \$28,500. All Members – aye – motion carried.

President Slotten asked that barricades be put up to block off Bradley Street and the Parking area of the Village Park on May 3<sup>rd</sup> for the Pirate Parent Organization event being held in the Park that afternoon.

Fall River and Rio PDs have jointly hired three new part time officers. Three of the current officers are leaving for full time jobs.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Copy Machine for Clerk's Office** – Marie provided the three proposals from Rhyme, Konica Minolta and a Ricoh machine. Trustee Birr believes we should lease rather than purchase. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Miller and second by Trustee Ninmann to purchase the copy machine from Rhyme Supply for \$3,356.69. It will come from the 2019 budget. Members Ninmann, Gould, Robbins, Miller, Pawlisch and Slotten – yes. Trustee Birr – no. Motion carried.

**Ordinance Update** Jeff and Marie met again with Mr. Harvey to go over the last of the Chapters. We should receive the final draft in 6 – 8 weeks.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Create a Park Planning Committee** – Trustees Pawlisch, Robbins and Birr volunteered to begin the work on the committee. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Miller and second by Trustee Ninmann to form a Park Planning Committee, with temporary members Pawlisch, Robbins and Birr. All Members – aye – motion carried.

**Set Date for Concert In The Park** – The Band Director said either Monday 6/3 or Tuesday 6/4 would work. President Slotten will get back to him with the date of June 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Open Book and Board of Review Dates** – Open Book is set for April 11<sup>th</sup> from 4 – 6 PM. and Board of Review is May 21<sup>st</sup> from 6 – 8 PM.

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

**Minutes from 02/13/13** – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Miller and second by Trustee Robbins to approve the minutes from 02/13/19. All Members – aye – motion carried.

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

**Financial Report from February** – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Miller and second by Trustee Birr to accept the Financial Report as presented. All Members – aye - motion carried.

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS** – Trustee Robbins had the new issue of the Columbia County Tourism Guide. There are two pages dedicated to Fall River. She would like to have Michael Gay come to a meeting of the Board to present his ideas on Economic Development. He charges @ \$1,000 for his presentation. He expects all Board members to attend. There could be @ 10 others that could be invited also. She will see what dates he may be available.

**ADJOURNMENT** – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Miller and second by Trustee Pawlisch to adjourn. All Members – aye – motion carried. Meeting Adjourned @ 8:00 PM.

Marie Abegglen  
Clerk-Treasurer