

VILLAGE OF FALL RIVER
BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, July 11, 2018 ~ 6:00 PM
MINUTES

President Slotten called the meeting to order.

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

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

Guests: Cory Ertz, Greg Beers and Morgan Jones (FRFD), Brad Johnsrud (Police Comm)

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

ENGINEERING/ATTORNEY/FINANCIAL ADVISOR

Pay Request #3 for Forest Landscaping & Construction – Craig and Kory did a walk thru on the project. There is \$1500 left as a retainage on the project for punchlist items and the recently restored areas to establish grass. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and second by Trustee Birr to approve the Pay Request #3 for Forest Landscaping for \$28,802.40. Roll call vote was taken with All Members present – yes – motion carried. The final assessment roll will need to be completed before October. Columbia County was doing the final paving today. Gravel shouldering and striping should be done next week.

Dam Grant Funding Award – The Village was awarded a grant of \$25,875 (50% of the estimated project) for the dam repairs needed. Fountain Prairie pays half of the Village's share after the grant. This work is planned for 2019.

FR School Update – The Plan Commission met with the engineer for the project. They reviewed the conceptual layout. President Slotten met with the School representatives. An intergovernmental agreement may need to be created to state who is responsible for and who pays for what. The School wants the Village to initiate that agreement. The School should be treated as a developer and required to follow the ordinances.

Ordinance to Amend Section 9-2-6(f)(4)(a)(1) Total Phosphorus – This amendment is to follow the change in the Columbus ordinance. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Miller to approve the amendment 9-2-6(f)(4)(a)(1). Roll call vote was taken with all Members present – yes – motion carried.

Rock Retaining Wall on N Main St/Meadows Assisted Living – The contractor, Mark Schmitt has not had a chance to look at the project and give an estimate. Forest Landscaping has seeded the area. Trustees Ninmann and Miller don't believe the Village needs to do anything more with the area. They will take another look after the seeding takes hold.

PUBLIC INPUT

PUBLIC WORKS

Street lights from Nature's Trail – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Ninmann to designate the lights as surplus property. All Members present – aye – motion carried. Marie Abegglen offered to purchase two lights for \$100.00. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Miller and second by Trustee Pawlisch to accept whatever offer we get. Trustees Ninmann, Robbins, Pawlisch, Miller and Birr – yes, Slotten – no. Motion carried. Brent Van Gysel stated he would be interested in purchasing also. The fence that was taken down from the recycling center is not in good condition and of no use. Charter is moving along. The finish time is unknown.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Committee Update Brad Johnsrud said the Committee has met two times. They received 6 applications for the full-time position. They will soon be scheduling interviews. He inquired if there could be a tiered pay scale set. It would be an award for time put in. They would not have to wonder about getting a raise every year. There will not be a contract. The Village is an at will employer. No tiered pay scale should be offered. Performance and the personal history of an employee should be the basis for a raise. The monthly report was handed out at the meeting. The Dept has received sad news of the death of a former part time officer, Cody Laughran.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Bartender Application(s) on File: Cody Gumz – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Ninmann and second by Trustee Miller to approve the bartender application on file. All Members present – aye – motion carried.

Fire Department Plans for Band Next Year – Cory Ertz of the Fire Dept discussed the tentative plans for hosting a band in the Village Park next summer or the summer after. They would like to know if the Village would allow this type of event in the park. Is there enough power there to supply a big band? They would sell beer, pop food, etc. They should talk to Gary Errthum. He has some type of rolling electrical supply. It would be just a one-day event. The Fire Dept is hosting an Open House for the Public on Saturday, Sept 29th from Noon – 3 PM. The Board does not object to the event. They would need to be included in plans as they are made. They will have to determine if there is enough power there for whatever band they get.

MINUTES, BILLS, FINANCIAL REPORT

Minutes from 06/13/18 – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Birr and second by Trustee Miller to approve the minutes from 06/13/18 (including the name correction from Smith to Frank). All members present – aye – motion carried.

Bills for Payment – A MOTION WAS MADE BY Trustee Robbins and second by Trustee Pawlisch to pay all bills as presented, except for the Richards Insurance (which is waiting for a credit). All Members present – aye - motion carried.

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

Clean up Day brought in \$354. The cost for the Columbia Co dumpster was \$222.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Reminder: Finance Committee Meeting 7/16 at 6 PM

Trustee Miller invited the Board to the Shovel Ceremony at the site of the new athletic complex on 07/30/18.

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

Marie Abegglen