

Meeting called to order by President Guy Williams.

Unapproved minutes

Members present: Guy Williams, Caroline Rediske, Mike Voltz, Josh Hallberg, Jeff Reed, Geno D'Agostino, Chris Sondrol

Public Comments were heard from Sheryl Holmgren who introduced the new library director, Linda Heimstead. Public Comments were heard from Jesse Mattocks.

Motion by Mike Voltz to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Jeff Reed. All in favor. Carried.

Minutes from the previous board meeting & special board meeting were presented. **Motion by Caroline Rediske to approve the board minutes as presented. Seconded by Chris Sondrol. All in favor. Carried.**

Monthly Library Report presented by Librarian Director Linda Heimstead.

Monthly Fire Report presented by Fire Chief Tim Moore. **Motion by Chris Sondrol to approve janitorial service for the Fire Department at \$100.00 per month. Seconded by Geno D'Agostino. All in favor. Carried.**

Monthly Police Report presented by Police Chief Tom Thompson.

Monthly Chamber of Commerce Report presented by Chris Nelson.

Discussion was held on the operation of the burning pile. Burning permits can be obtained for an initial fee of \$500.00, renewal of \$200.00 a year with the DNR. An alternate consideration would be to chip the tree brush and create a compost pile. **Motion by Caroline Rediske to apply for a burning permit. Seconded by Mike Voltz. All in favor. Carried.**

Discussion was held on the hours to open up the burning/compost pile to the public. **Motion by Mike Voltz to change the hours to 10:00 to 2:00 Monday thru Friday and 10:00 to 2:00 the first Saturday and Sunday of the month. Seconded by Josh Hallberg. All in favor. Carried.**

Wayne Swenson, Polk County Surveying will provide the Village with records to record a quick claim deed for the property acquisition from Northwestern Wisconsin Electric Property.

The condemnation of the property located at 411 Main Street is still in process with the Village Attorney.

Peter Ward and Ryan Peterson own the company Cabin Watch and introduced themselves to the Village Board. Their company provides security systems. The board will set up a committee meeting to explore this option.

Discussion was held on purchasing 7 iPad's for Village Trustees to use as a tool to view, organize, and store board and committee meeting material. Approximate price is around \$500.00 each. The iPad's can be purchased from the communication account using what is remaining this year and purchasing the others in 2012. Josh Hallberg showed the members an iPad to view. **Motion by Caroline Rediske to purchase 7 iPad's for Village Trustees using the communications account.**

Seconded by Josh Hallberg. On roll call: Chris Sondrol, yes; Geno D'Agostino, no; Jeff Reed, yes; Josh Hallberg, yes; Mike Voltz, no; Caroline Rediske, yes; Guy Williams, no. Carried.

The Village Crew requests to purchase new tires for the back hoe. **Motion by Geno D'Agostino to purchase new tires for the back hoe at a cost of \$503.48 each. Seconded by Mike Voltz. All in favor. Carried.**

Jim Duncan, as a member of the Balsam Lake Rod & Gun Club informed the board that the Lake Access Committee will be surveying the lake access at Pearson Point and posting signs at no cost to the Village.

A Community Development Block Grant has been awarded to the Village to help low and moderate income households with repairs to their homes with a zero percent deferred loan. Guy Williams will attend the mandated meeting in Wisconsin Dells. **Motion by Mike Voltz to approve mileage and room accommodations for the mandated meeting. Seconded by Jeff Reed. All in favor. Carried.**

The Public Protection Committee report was given by Geno D'Agostino. The committee met with Tim Moore and Tom Mabry to discuss the Fire Department officer salaries, the by-laws and attendance at board meetings. The committee approved the officer positions and wages: Fire Chief \$2,000.00; Assistant Fire Chief, \$1,000.00; Captain, \$400.00; Administrative Officer \$2,000.00; Secretary-Treasurer \$800.00. The by-laws will be updated to reflect these changes and presented to the board for final approval. The committee met with Tom Thompson to discuss clarification on the guideline for nuisance properties in the policy & procedure manual. The committee approved Tom attending training classes in Rice Lake and using the patrol car for transportation. The committee approved purchase of a police winter leather jacket for \$550.00 using the 2011/2012 uniform allowance.

The Park/Dam Committee report was given by Caroline Rediske. The committee discussed identifying the parks within the Village. Juneberry Park (located on County Road I), Balsam Branch Dam Park (overlook at the dam), Pine Park, Cornerstone Park (pocket park at the corner of Main Street & Cty Rd I), Balsam Branch Walking Trails. The committee will work with our website to create a map identifying the parks. Discussion was held on purchasing playground equipment and pursuing grant options to apply for playground equipment and skateboard equipment. Discussion was held on more lighting for the area of the skateboard park and the boat landings. Frisbee Golf was installed at the park. The committee discussed creating more parking for the beach/boat landing.

Motion by Jeff Reed to appoint Rich Potvin, RCU as the bank representative for the Community Development Authority. Seconded by Josh Hallberg. All in favor. Carried.

Motion by Mike Voltz to appoint Pat Stark, Caroline Stone, Phyllis Gabrielson, Erlene Johnson, Audrey Laue and Roxanne Moore as election inspectors for the term January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2013. Seconded by Caroline Rediske. All in favor. Carried.

Motion by Geno D'Agostino to set the caucus date for January 9th, 2011 at 7:00 pm at the Fire Hall. Seconded by Mike Voltz. All in favor. Carried.

Committee meetings set for December

Finance Committee	December 12	6:00 pm Loan Restructure/Storm Damage
Park Committee	December 12	7:00 pm Playground Equip, Pine Park, Parking
Industrial Park Committee	December 20	5:30 pm Brochure, Update
Public Protection Committee	December 20	6:00 pm Fire & Police Dept

Vouchers were presented to the board. **Motion made by Mike Voltz to approve vouchers as presented. Seconded by Chris Sondrol. All in favor. Carried.**

Treasurers Report was presented to the board. **Motion made by Jeff Reed to approve the Treasurers Report as presented. Seconded by Caroline Rediske. All in favor. Carried.**

Building Permit Report was presented to the board. **Motion by Jeff Reed to approve building permit #11-29 thru #11-31. Seconded by Mike Voltz. All in favor. Carried.**

Geno D'Agostino invited the board & employees to a Christmas gathering at Anglers on December 21st. There will be a Christmas decorating contest sponsored by the Chamber for Village residents. The Village will be receiving a reimbursement check from FEMA for \$6,862.56 for the damages incurred during the severe thunderstorm/tornado on July 27th 2010. The regular board meeting for January will be held on Tuesday, January 3rd, 2012.

Motion to adjourn by Mike Voltz. Seconded by Jeff Reed. Carried.

Lori Duncan, Village Clerk Treasurer