

**ORDINANCE 2020-04 AMENDING THE VILLAGE OF FREDONIA CODE OF ORDINANCES
TITLE 132 CHAPTER 4 PERTAINING TO STANDING COMMITTEES**

The Village Board of the Village of Fredonia do ordain as follows:

1. Section 132-4 is amended to read as follows:

§ 132-4 Standing committees.

- A. Committee appointments. Standing committees of the Village are appointed by the Village President, subject to confirmation by the Village Board. The committees listed in Subsection **B** shall consist of not less than three Trustees and may include other Village officials or citizen members appointed by the Village President subject to Board approval. The appointments to each committee shall be made at the annual organizational meeting of the Village Board or the first regular Board meeting thereafter. Standing committees shall review such matters as may be referred to them by the Village Board and shall submit recommendations for Board action.
- B. Committees established. The following standing committees are established:
 - (1) Public Works and Utilities (Sewer, Water, ~~Cable TV~~) Committee.
 - (2) Finance and Budget Committee.
 - (3) Public Safety Committee.
 - (4) ~~Public Works Committee.~~
 - (~~4~~5) Personnel Committee.
 - (~~5~~6) Parks and Recreation Committee.
 - (~~6~~7) Economic Development Committee. **[Added at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. II)]**
 - (7) Tech Committee (Cable TV).
- C. President to designate chairmen; committees-of-the-whole; special committees.
 - (1) The Village President shall designate the chairman of all standing committees. All committee appointments except designation of chairman shall be subject to confirmation by a majority vote of the Board.
 - (2) All Trustees shall serve on at least one standing committee. The Village President shall be a committee member or committee chairman of only those committees he has been appointed to and confirmed.
 - (3) The Village President may declare the entire Board a committee of the whole for informal

discussion at any meeting or for any other purpose, and shall ex officio be chairman of the same.

- (4) The Village President may, from time to time, appoint such special committee or committees as he deems advisable or as provided for by motion or resolution by the Board stating the number of members and object thereof to perform such duties as may be assigned to them. All special committees shall cease to exist after the second April Board meeting unless reappointed by the Village President or extended by the Village Board.

D. Committee reports.

- (1) All committees are subunits of the Village Board and perform no executive or administrative Village function other than as specifically authorized by ordinance or policy adopted by the Village Board. If there is any disagreement between the Board and any committee, the Village Board has the responsibility and the authority to make any changes, corrections, or decisions it deems necessary. Committees are serving at the pleasure of the Board.
- (2) Each committee shall submit a report on all matters referred to it. Such report shall recommend a definite action on each item and shall be approved by a majority of the committee. Each committee report shall include the date, time, and place of the meeting and the members attending. Each such committee report is deemed to be the product of the entire committee, whether any item therein is approved unanimously or not. Each such report should provide all necessary historical background to familiarize the Board with the issue.
- (3) If a committee member in a particular committee disagrees with the position taken by the committee on an issue, such member may address the Board with the minority position only if the member notifies the committee, either at the meeting or by written notice after the committee meeting, that such member intends to support the minority position before the Village Board. Upon such notification, the Board shall permit one committee member supporting the majority position equal time to address the Board on such issue.

E. Ambiguity of committee authority. In case of ambiguity or apparent conflict between the preceding definition of committee authority and a definition in these ordinances of the authority of a Village officer, employee, board or association, the latter shall prevail.

F. Cooperation of Village officers. All Village officers shall, upon request of the chairman of any committee, confer with the committee and supply such information as the committee may request upon any pending matter. A committee shall not assume responsibility for the administration of any Village Department.

G. Constitution of committees. This chapter designates all standing committees and boards. All other committees and boards shall be constituted on an as-needed basis not as a standing committee/board and as such is a special committee/board as shown in § **132-4C(4)**. This chapter takes precedence over all other ordinances establishing committees, boards, or other governing bodies.

2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force one day after its passage and posting as provided by law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Village Board of the Village of Fredonia, Ozaukee County, Wisconsin, this 2nd day of April, 2020.

Donald Dohrwardt, Village President

ATTEST:

Sandra Tretow, Village Clerk