VILLAGE OF FREDONIA VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

Fredonia Government Center 242 Fredonia Avenue, Fredonia, WI November 19, 2020

The public hearing on the proposed 2021 General fund, Capital, Debt Service, Fire Department, Water Utility, and Sewer Utility budgets was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Don Dohrwardt.

Adjourn Public Hearing and Call to Order of Regular Village Board Meeting

Receiving no comments concerning the proposed 2021 budgets, the public hearing was closed and the regular village board meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Present: Don Dohrwardt, Rick Abegglen, Jill Bertram, Dan Gehrke, John Long and Bill McLarty. Also present: Dan Benson, Roger Strohm, Brian Weyker and Sandi Tretow. Arriving later: Joshua Haas and Curt Pitzen from Newmark Knight Frank.

Pledge of Allegiance

All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Haas arrived.

Consent Agenda

The minutes from the November 5, 2020 village board meeting, the general fund, water and sewer bills with the additional list of bills, and the October Treasurer's Report were approved on a **MOTION** by McLarty, seconded by Abegglen, and carried.

Open Session for Citizen Questions and Comments

None.

Report on Operations of Village by Village President

Nothing significant to report.

Report on Operations of Village by Fire Chief

The October financial report for the Fredonia Fire Department Ambulance was reviewed.

APPROVE CHANGE WITH LIFEQUEST TO ACCEPT CREDIT AND DEBIT CARDS FOR PATIENT PAYMENTS OF AMBULANCE SERVICES: LifeQuest is offering the opportunity to have patients pay their bills with credit or debit cards. There is a 2% additional fee to the customer for this convenience. This will help receive payment quicker in many instances. After discussion, a **MOTION** to approve change with LifeQuest to accept payments using a credit or debit card from patients by Haas, seconded by McLarty, and carried.

The ambulance was put into service this afternoon and is running. There are some issues that need to be worked out yet. The loaner will be returned to Foster Coach in a few weeks. The new engine is expected to be delivered in early December. Weyker spoke about City of Port Washington's Fire Chief, Mark Mitchell's article in the Ozaukee Press detailing the shortages of emt's and paramedics in Ozaukee County. Fortunately, Fredonia and Waubeka are not having staffing issues at the present.

Report on Operations of Village by Village Marshal

The report from the Village Marshal was reviewed.

Report on Operations of Village by Director of Public Works

The report from the Director of Public Works was reviewed. Leaf pick up is complete for the season, and the crew is preparing for winter operations. Strohm spoke about a contingency plan for snow plowing should COVID-19 become a problem. This will be a future item for discussion.

Report on Operations of Village by Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator

The report from the Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator was reviewed.

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Report on Operations of Village by Clerk-Treasurer

The report from the Clerk-Treasurer was reviewed. It appears that only Milwaukee and Dane Counties will be the only counties affected by the recount.

Report on Operations of Village by Ozaukee County District 2 Supervisor

Haas reported that there is nothing new at this time.

Parks Committee - November 13, 2020 meeting

The minutes from the Parks Committee – November 13, 2020 meeting were reviewed.

<u>Personnel Committee – November 12 and 19, 2020 meetings</u>

The Personnel Committee met on November 12, 2020 to interview applicants for the Administrative Assistant position and on November 19, 2020 to discuss wages – both in closed session.

Finance Committee – November 17, 2020 meeting

The Finance Committee met on November 17, 2020 to discuss how to move forward with Hillcrest Fredonia LLC. A letter was sent today to the owner of Hillcrest. The committee will meet on December 1 to continue the discussion.

Per Wisconsin State Statutes 19.95(1)(e) the village board will convene into closed session to conduct public business where bargaining reasons require a closed session and Per Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) to consider employment, employee performance and compensation.

Per Wisconsin State Statutes 19.95(1)(e) the village board convened into closed session to conduct public business where bargaining reasons require a closed session, and Per Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) to consider employment, employee performance and compensation on a **MOTION** by McLarty, seconded by Haas, and carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

During closed session, the Director of Public Works and Clerk-Treasurer were excused, and Trustee John Long took the minutes for the remainder of the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sandi Tretow Clerk-Treasurer