

**VILLAGE OF FREDONIA  
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
Fredonia Government Center  
242 Fredonia Avenue, Fredonia, WI  
January 7, 2021**

The regular village board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Don Dohrwardt. Present: Don Dohrwardt, Rick Abegglen, Jill Bertram, Dan Gehrke, Joshua Haas, John Long and Bill McLarty. Also present: Charlene Landing, Dan Benson, Mike Davel, Roger Strohm, Brian and Luke Weyker and Sandi Tretow. Arriving later: Ron Ansay.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Consent Agenda**

Dohrwardt presented an additional bill payable to Newmark Knight Frank for the 3<sup>rd</sup> installment of services for \$25,000 that arrived today. The consensus of the board was to review this invoice at the next village board meeting for possible approval. After, the minutes from the December 17, 2020 village board meeting and the general fund, water and sewer bills were approved on a **MOTION** by McLarty, seconded by Gehrke, and carried.

**Open Session for Citizen Questions and Comments**

Charlene Landing, 245 St. Rose Avenue, spoke about the recent snowstorms and asked if there was a way to address the number of properties in the village where sidewalks are not shoveled the entire width, as well as sidewalks to cross walks. People in wheelchairs or people pushing strollers have a difficult time when sidewalks are not properly maintained. Village Ordinance 491-26 states that sidewalks are to be kept clear of snow and ice to a minimum of four feet in width and within 24 hours after a snowfall.

**Report on Operations of Village by Village President**

Dohrwardt provided an update on the COVID-19 statistics from the dashboard on the Washington Ozaukee Public Health Department website.

**Report on Operations of Village by Fire Chief**

TOWN OF SAUKVILLE FIRE CONTRACT: Weyker stated the contract for fire protection services for 2021 is worded the same and is increasing the payment 1%. After discussion, a **MOTION** to approve the Town of Saukville fire contract by Abegglen, seconded by Haas, and carried.

Weyker would like to meet with the Public Safety Committee next week to discuss the fire/EMS staff shortage situation within the county.

**Report on Operations of Village by Village Marshal**

The report from the Village Marshal was reviewed. The new squad is being outfitted at General Communications right now.

APPROVE CARRYOVER OF UNSPENT 2020 POLICE BUDGET FUNDS TO PURCHASE OF NEW SQUAD: Davel is requesting to carryover \$6,000 of unspent 2020 police budget funds to a future squad. New squads are anticipated to cost between \$45-47,000. After, a **MOTION** to carryover \$6,000 to new squad purchase by Haas, seconded by Abegglen, and carried.

**Report on Operations of Village by Director of Public Works**

The report from the Director of Public Works was reviewed. The ice rink will be resurfaced, and a bench will be installed, and the warming shelter opened. WE Energies is starting to change over street lights to LED, so electric savings should start to be noticed on our bills. The old squad is being used by the Public Works Department.

**Report on Operations of Village by Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator**

The report from the Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator was reviewed.

**Report on Operations of Village by Clerk-Treasurer**

The report from the Clerk-Treasurer was reviewed.

**Report on Operations of Village by Ozaukee County District 2 Supervisor**

Haas spoke about the first County Board meeting of the year. Virtual meetings are now extended to July 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Planning Commission – January 7, 2021 meeting**

Dohrwardt stated that Guy & O’Neill postponed the submittal of the site plan for their addition until February. The Planning Commission will be working on updating the Village’s Comprehensive Plan which is expected to take between 18-24 months. They will be looking for citizen participation to help with this task.

**Finance Committee – January 5, 2021 meeting**

The committee met on Tuesday to discuss Hillcrest and the Business Park. Ehlers presented scenarios showing financing for the different projects.

**HILLCREST DEVELOPER FINANCING AGREEMENT:** A guarantee is needed to protect the Village’s financial interests. A letter of credit or a surety bond is the best method. There is no benefit to the Village to serve as the bank for the Hillcrest project. Finance and administrative costs would be more than what a developer would pay in interest from traditional sources. After lengthy discussion, a **MOTION** to accept the recommendation from the finance committee to proceed with traditional financing options by Haas, seconded by McLarty, and carried. A letter will be sent to the developer advising the decision and inviting him to a future meeting to discuss, if he wishes. The Director of Public Works was instructed to contact the developer.

**BUSINESS PARK DEVELOPMENT TIF:** The property is still in negotiations. The finance committee would like permission from the village board to make decisions on terms to keep the process moving and not have to wait two weeks for the next village board meeting. The village board will still have the final decision on any of the matters discussed. Dohrwardt stated that a motion is not required as the finance committee is just continuing its work. Haas commended Ehlers on the phenomenal job of presenting information as well as the village attorney, Ron Ansary arrived.

**Public Works and Utilities Committee – January 6, 2021 meeting**

Dohrwardt reported on the committee meeting that took place yesterday.

**APPROVE BRINE TANK AND PUMP PURCHASE:** The committee recommends purchasing a brine tank, pump and fixtures that was included in the 2021 budget. The cost is estimated at \$5,500. After discussion, a **MOTION** to approve brine tank and pump purchase up to \$5,500 by Abegglen, seconded by McLarty, and carried.

**OAKWOOD FOREST LIFT STATION GENERATOR:** The old generator from the fire station is being used at the Oakwood Forest Lift Station and needs repairs – the radiator is leaking, the transfer switch is malfunctioning, and there are other issues. Replacement funds will be used, and the repairs are expected to be less than \$8,000. After, a **MOTION** to repair generator as quoted using replacement funds by McLarty, seconded by Bertram, and carried.

**Architectural Control Board – January 6, 2021 meeting**

The Architectural Control Board met last night and approved a new home to be built at 235 Manor Drive. Plans for a new home submitted by Hillcrest Builders were also reviewed at the end of North Milwaukee Street. Grading issues were also discussed.

**Correspondence**

**STATUS UPDATE ON PHASE 1 FEASIBILITY ANALYSIS OF FIRE & EMS SHARING IN OZAUKEE COUNTY:** Correspondence was reviewed.

**Items for Future Consideration by Village Board**

Abegglen asked about follow up items resulting from the joint meeting with Northern Ozaukee School District. Strohm stated a donor has purchased a memorial bench.

**Adjournment**

A **MOTION** to adjourn at 8:04 p.m. by Gehrke, seconded by Abegglen, and carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sandi Tretow  
Clerk-Treasurer