

**VILLAGE OF FREDONIA
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
Fredonia Government Center
242 Fredonia Avenue, Fredonia, WI
April 15, 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: Keri Eichner, Eric Johnson, Mike Davel, Roger Strohm and Sandi Tretow.

Pledge of Allegiance

All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda

The minutes of the April 1, 2021 village board meeting, the general fund, water and sewer bills with the additional list, the March Treasurer's Report with 1st Quarter Budget to Actual were approved on a **MOTION** by McLarty, seconded by Haas, and carried.

Open Session for Citizen Questions and Comments

Keri Eichner, a resident of the Town of Fredonia, has a contact who coordinates Farmer's Markets and stated that current venues are full, and people are looking to sell but have no place to go. She was wondering if Fredonia would be interested in hosting at the Fredonia Government Center. Last year, the Farmer's Market was in hiatus here due to COVID. The consensus of the village board was to refer this to the Parks Committee and let Eichner know when the meeting will be, so she can attend.

Report on Operations of Village by Village President

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS: Dohrwardt stated that trustee positions can remain the same, but there are some changes to boards and commissions. He will have a final list of committees to approve at the organizational meeting. After discussion, a **MOTION** to approve committee appointments for trustee assignments by Haas, seconded by Abegglen, and carried.

Report on Operations of Village by Fire Chief

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

Report on Operations of Village by Village Marshal

The report from the Village Marshal was reviewed. Bertram spoke about people working on cars as well as overnight parking in the municipal lot behind Barb's. Haas stated someone drives an ATV on N. Wilson Street. Davel recommended calling the Ozaukee County Sheriff's dispatch number when these incidents are occurring.

Report on Operations of Village by Director of Public Works

The report from the Director of Public Works was reviewed.

PLAN FOR COVID RELIEF FUNDS UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT: Strohm stated the village is expected to receive approximately \$220,000 from the federal government via the state. These funds need to be spent on infrastructure for water, sewer or broadband internet. Other expenditures may include grants to businesses, industries, households and non-profits for monies lost due to COVID and premium pay for essential workers. Haas is concerned about potential stipulations attached. This topic will be placed on a future Public Works and Utilities Committee agenda.

Report on Operations of Village by Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator

The report from the Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator was reviewed. Strohm stated UV disinfection will begin May 1st.

Report on Operations of Village by Clerk-Treasurer

The report from the Clerk-Treasurer was reviewed. Tretow stated an organizational meeting of the village board will take place next Thursday to swear in trustees and village president for the new term.

Report on Operations of Village by Ozaukee County District 2 Supervisor

Haas stated the county will receive \$17 million in American Rescue Plan Act funds. The county passed a resolution to refinance \$7.8 million of debt to pay for projects. Haas voted no. The April 20 meeting will vote on a constitutional rights resolution – not just a Second Amendment resolution that has been incorrectly reported in the media.

Architectural Control Board – April 7, 2021 meeting

The minutes from the Architectural Control Board – April 7, 2021 meeting were reviewed.

APPROVE FENCE LOCATION AT 516 EMERALD HILLS DRIVE: The village owns property that is on one side of this home. The property owner wishes to erect a new fence on the lot line. Written permission needs to be granted for this to occur. Gehrke thought there is a drainage easement. After further discussion, a **MOTION** to approve fence on lot line by McLarty, seconded by Gehrke, and carried.

PRIMARY MEETING DATE CHANGE FOR COMMITTEE: Due to the Town of Fredonia having their meetings on the first two Wednesdays, it is preferred for the Architectural Control Board to change their primary meeting date to the third Wednesday of the month rather than the first. That way, they are able to use the board room and utilize the technology, as well as have more room to spread out if there are numerous attendees. The committee may need to meet twice per month depending on work load.

Tech Committee – April 8, 2021 meeting

The minutes of the Tech Committee – April 8, 2021 meeting were reviewed.

APPROVE PURCHASE OF SOUND SYSTEM: Currently, Abegglen’s personal sound system is being used. It is prudent for the village to have its own equipment for movie nights, tree lighting and other events. It is a budgeted item in 2021. After discussion, a **MOTION** to approve purchase of sound system not to exceed \$1500 by Bertram, seconded by McLarty, and carried.

APPROVE SURVEILLANCE CAMERA PURCHASE AND MICROPHONE: The current microphone system is difficult for people to hear. The committee investigated wireless, hand-held microphones that are more economical. Approximately two microphones can be purchased for \$1,000. After, a **MOTION** to approve purchase of microphones not to exceed \$1200 by Haas, seconded by Abegglen, and carried.

Comprehensive Plan Update Citizen Committee – April 12, 2021 meeting

The committee met on April 12, 2021 to work on the public participation plan.

Business Park Development

The first meeting of the Joint Review Board will be scheduled for early June. The preliminary plan for TIF district and annexation process is being worked on.

APPROVE AGREEMENT FOR FILL PLACEMENT: Strohm reported that Quasius Construction, the contractor for the Guy & O’Neill addition, has extra dirt on site that they would like to roll over the edge of the property, compact and build a slope. The current property owner of the land to the east was asked if the fill could be placed on his property, but was hesitant. Discussion followed concerning creating an agreement stating that Guy and O’Neill would be responsible for moving the fill off the property. After, a **MOTION** to approve agreement for fill placement by McLarty, seconded by Haas, and carried.

New Business:

RESOLUTION 2021-C PRELIMINARY RESOLUTION DECLARING INTENT TO EXERCISE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT POLICE POWERS PURSUANT TO WIS. STAT. 66.0703 FOR IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDING THE REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT OF SANITARY LATERALS.

RESOLUTION 2021-D PRELIMINARY RESOLUTION DECLARING INTENT TO EXERCISE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT POLICE POWERS PURSUANT TO WIS. STAT. 66.0703 FOR IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDING THE INSTALLATION OF

SIDEWALKS: Dohrwardt stated these resolutions were presented at the last village board meeting and can be acted upon together separately or together. The public hearing could be scheduled for May 6th, and Tretow questioned starting the public hearing at 6:30 p.m. as there will be a presentation during the regular village board meeting. A **MOTION** to adopt Resolutions 2021-C and 2021-D by McLarty, seconded by Gehrke, and carried.

APPROVE ATTENDANCE AT WEFTEC CONFERENCE: Long stated the WEFTEC Conference will be held at McCormick Place, IL this year. It is an informative conference and is requesting approval to attend. After discussion, a **MOTION** to approve attendance at WEFTEC Conference by Gehrke, seconded by Bertram, and carried.

Items for Future Consideration by Village Board

Gehrke stated that Port Washington has set dates for their movie nights, so we do not schedule ours at the same time.

Adjournment

A **MOTION** to adjourn at 8:22 p.m. by McLarty, seconded by Gehrke, and carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sandi Tretow
Clerk-Treasurer