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## FREDONIA VILLAGE BOARD ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MINUTES IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWED BY FREDONIA VILLAGE BOARD MEETING Thursday, April 18th, 2024 at 7:30PM

Fredonia Government Center - Board Room 242 Fredonia Avenue, Fredonia, Wisconsin

- 1. President Gehrke called the meeting to order at 7:30PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Trustees Present: President Gehrke, Trustee Eippert, Trustee Franck, Trustee Abegglen, Trustee Dohrwardt, Trustee Meyle.

Trustees Absent: Trustee Bartz (arrived late)

Staff Present: Administrator Jenkins, Marshal Leet, Clerk Johnson, Foreman Heinen.

3. Public Comments: Trustee Dohrwardt shared the last time the Village had a balanced board was in 1996, with three men and three women representing residents. He felt the Board would be more organized and would make gentler, more heartfelt decisions.

## Trustee Bartz arrived.

- 4. Presentations
  - a) Clerk Johnson administered the Oaths of Office for Village Trustees Richard Abegglen and Natalie M. Eippert. She had previously sworn in Trustee Franck, who had thought she would be unable to attend the meeting.
- 5. Items for Discussion and/or Action:
  - a) Selection and Appointment by the Board of Trustees of the Village President Pro Tem
     Trustee Bartz nominated Trustee Abegglen to serve as Village President Pro Tem.

     Seconded by Trustee Dohrwardt.
     Passed by unanimous consent.
  - **b) Motion to Approve Appointment of Village Officers as Presented** made by Trustee Bartz.

Seconded by Trustee Meyle.

Clerk Johnson clarified that these appointments are the list of Village employees. Passed by unanimous voice vote.

c) Discussion and Possible Action on Appointment of Village Trustees, Citizens, and Other Appointees to Various Boards, Committees, and Commissions as Recommended by the Village President: President Gehrke reviewed his suggested list of appointments. He shared Timothy Barta's resume and recommended to the Board that they he be appointed to the Planning Commission to fill a vacancy due to a recent resignation. Two date corrections were pointed out and made. Trustee Dohrwardt asked if Trustee Abegglen wanted to serve on the Joint EMS/Fire Committee. Trustee Abegglen responded that he would serve where needed. Administrator Jenkins said that because Trustee Abegglen will chair the Finance Committee and Trustee Meyle will chair Public Safety that it made sense to have those two represent the Village on the EMS/Fire Committee, but because Trustee Dohrwardt had such longevity serving on that committee, he makes sense as well. President Gehrke stated that it had been his intention to appoint Trustee Dohrwardt to that committee instead of Trustee Abegglen. Trustee Meyle said that he would be fine with Trustee Dohrwardt serving if Trustee Abegglen agreed. It was agreed that Trustee Dohrwardt would continue to serve on the Joint EMS/Fire Committee.

Motion to Approve Appointment of Village Trustees, Citizens, and Other Appointees to Various Boards, Committees, and Commissions as Corrected made by Trustee Dohrwardt.

Seconded by Trustee Meyle.

Passed by unanimous voice vote.

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 Motion to Adjourn made by Trustee Abegglen. Seconded by Trustee Bartz. Passed by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:51PM.