

Village Board Organizational and Regular Meeting – ZOOM MEETING
Village Hall, 110 Oak Street E,
Monday, May 11, 2020

President: Becky Amundson; Trustees: Brett Daeffler, Patty Swenson, Jackie Peterson, Allan Lahti, Brad Harlander, Doug Gustafson.

1. Call to Order by President Becky Amundson at 7:00 pm. At the Village Hall.

Roll Call: Becky Present Brad Present Brett Present Patty Present Jackie Present Allan Present Doug Absent

2. Committee Appointments

Motion to approve appointments by B Harlander 2nd P Swenson Vote: Carried

3. Annual Designations

Motion to approve designations by J Peterson 2nd A Lahti Vote: Carried

4. Adjourn Organizational Meeting

Motion to adjourn by B Daeffler 2nd P Swenson Vote: Carried

1. Call to Order Regular Board Meeting, Immediately Following Organizational Meeting – Becky Amundson

2. Agenda Approval

Motion to approve agenda by P Swenson 2nd B Harlander Vote: Carried

3. Correction and Approval of April 27th, 2020 Minutes:

Motion to approve April 27th minutes by A Lahti 2nd J Peterson Vote: Carried

4. Public Comments (Open to any citizen who wishes to address the board. Each person, or topic, will be allotted 3 minutes. Please note there may be limited discussion on the information received, however, no action can be taken until specific notice of the proposed action is given. Please state your name and place of residence.)

William Johnson thanked Park Board member, Ginny Clausen, for the donated sculptures in Coon Lake Park. Polk County Department of Tourism recorded a record setting \$94.5 million dollars spent by visitors, that is an almost 5% increase. They have been gearing up for reopening.

***** NOTE: OFFICIAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY AGENDA ITEM *****

5. Kennel License Request

No request was submitted.

6. Ordinance Revision 2.01

B Amundson read through the revisions. The meeting start time was removed for some flexibility, if necessary. An addition was made to the regular and special meeting day to reflect the possibility the day may change due to unforeseen circumstances.

Motion to approve changes by J Peterson 2nd P Swenson Vote: Carried

7. Liquor License Fees for the 2020-2021 Term

B Amundson explained that the League of Municipalities sent out information regarding lowering alcohol beverage licensing fees for the 2020 licensing renewal period, to alleviate some financial strain due to Covid-19 restrictions. The current fees and state minimums and maximums were discussed.

Motion to reduce Class B Beer license to \$25 and Class B Liquor license to \$50 for the 2020-2021 term by B Harlander 2nd A Lahti Vote: Carried

8. Consumer Confidence

B Harlander commented on the high quality of the Village water.

9. Recommendation from Personnel/Finance Committee – Budget Amendment

B Amundson reported that the recommendation was being made to take \$1200 from the Celebrations budget and \$2500 from the Park Budget to fund payroll for part time police officers.

Motion to amend budgets for Celebrations and the Parks. B Harlander 2nd P Swenson Vote: Carried

10. Recommendation from Personnel/Finance Committee – Public Works Employee Wage Increase.

Nick Skow was told he would receive an increase after he obtained his water license and his sewer license. Due to Covid19 those tests have been suspended. It was recommended that he receive a \$1 per hour pay increase at this time.

Motion to approve pay increase by J Peterson 2nd B Harlander Vote: Carried

11. Committee and Department Head Reports

a) Public Works – Bill Struck: Absent

b) Park Board – Rebecca Harlander: Parks are currently closed, except for walking and fishing. Caretakers are here and waiting to see what their role will be. Trail direction signs were put up over the weekend by Dave and Maria Ammend. The Park Board will continue to work on gardens while practicing social distancing.

c) Library – Kris Surbaugh: Absent. Report was submitted and sent by email to Board Members.

d) Law Enforcement – Tamara Larson: Absent.

e) Treasurer - Jennifer Phernetton: There was a \$30,000 transfer in May for the June WWTP loan payment. There were three pay periods in April which always makes the expenses look higher.

f) Ambulance Report – Postponed and rescheduled for May 27, 2020.

g) Personnel/Finance – Becky Amundson: Personnel discussed the items listed as number 9 and 10 on this agenda.

h) Upcoming and Off-Site Meetings – None

10. Approval of Check Register:

Motion to approve Check Register as presented by B Harlander 2nd J Peterson Vote: Carried

10. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 7:32 pm by P Swenson 2nd A Lahti Vote: Carried