

John Zouski, Village President called to order the March 3, 2015 Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Roll Call: Angela Wiese, Dorothy Caves, Wayne Cummings, Amanda Gear, Jeffrey Reabe and Randy Zettelmeier

Motion by Wiese, second by Caves to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion carried.

Motion by Caves, second by Wiese to approve the minutes from the February 3, 2015 and February 19, 2015 meeting. Motion carried.

Guests: Aaron Kumferman, Charyn Schultz, Ed Makaryk, Tresa Ludtke, Dean Wiese, Dan Miller, Chad Weis, Diane Rehwinkel, Seth Rehwinkel, Corey Conley, Clancy Farago and Alyssa Wiese.

Dean Wiese said that there was going to be an ISO audit for the Fire Dept. Insurance. Wiese also explained that he is selling his house and has an accepted offer as of April 15th. He said he will be moving out of the Fire District area but would like to continue to be the Fire Chief. Zouski said that no action would be taken on this at this time. When his home is officially sold then the Chief position would be addressed at that time.

Weis gave a handout regarding the Firemen's Jamboree in August. He said that they are expecting teams from Iowa, Illinois, Minnesota as well as Wisconsin. He will be meeting with the Park's Committee regarding some items that they would like to see done in Vet's Park. He is concerned about the parking area. Will there be enough parking spots in the park for everyone? Also the drainage is still an issue as they expect to use approx. 450,000 gallons of water. He explained that they hope to have sponsor money to help with items that need to be done in the park. He said that the drainage lanes would be permanent in the Park for each year the State Water Fight tournament is held.

Motion by Zettelmeier, second by Gear to approve bills as presented. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Gear said that the worm infestation on our rental land is being looked into by MSA Prof. and others. She said she had another proposal from Wil-kil for extermination of the mice in the Senior Center.

Reabe said he would like to see a spreadsheet with the budget each month and for prior years to see how the budget is looking in comparison to the expenses. He wants a way to track the surpluses and the over expenditures in each department. The Village Clerk does give a spreadsheet each month to the finance chairman and Reabe and Zouski for the Fire Dept. and Police Dept.

Zouski said it has come to his attention that someone has questioned the Fire Dept. Budget and the way the clerk, president and board are doing the budget. He explained that the general fund budget is a working guide for each department. He said it is at the discretion of the Village Board to decide if there is a surplus in the Fire Dept budget or any line item of the budget to put it into a savings account. It would also need to be on the agenda for approval to transfer any funds to any of the savings accounts. He explained that there is "NO" misappropriation of funds by either the clerk, president or the board. He said that anyone who says this is in defamation of character to either the clerk, president or board. He said that if anyone from any department, Fire, Police, etc has a question they are to come to the chairperson for answers not go into the Village Office and harass the clerk and deputy clerk.

Items For Discussion:

Zouski said that all board members had a copy of the Golf Cart Ordinance, he said to review it and it will be put on the agenda for approval for the May meeting.

Reabe said he is concerned with the balloon payment of \$160,000 for the Fire Truck that was purchased in 2006. He said that is why the fire department wants any surplus in their budget to go into the Fire Commission account to be applied to this payment. Zouski said that this may need to be refinanced when it comes due in December 2016. He said we won't have the funds to pay off such an extensive loan amount with the general fund. He said that the Village would not be able to purchase a new truck until the old loan is paid in off. Zouski said that surplus money can be set aside in a savings account to be ear marked for specific expenses for the fire dept such as scott air packs, etc. He explained if there is a major breakdown the funds could be withdrawn to pay for these expenses and would not be able to be used for the specific expenses it was set aside for. He explained that all money that is transferred into the savings has to be board approved, a paper trail must be kept for all transactions for future reference. Angela Wiese questioned if we have to notify the townships when we transfer or spend money for the fire department? Reabe said "no" as we are not a fire district and they have a contracted fire service with us. The townships do not have a say in the financial distribution of the fire dept. funds. We provide them a service and they pay us for that service.

Items To Be Acted Upon:

Motion by Gear, second by Reabe to approve building permits for Andrew Lauer (430 W. North St.), new overhead door; Paul Miller (110 & 112 S. Main St.) remodeling. Motion carried.

Motion by Caves, second by Gear to approve changing the date of the April Board Meeting to April 14th due to the election. Motion carried.

Motion by Zettelmeier, second by Gear to approve three poll workers for the Spring Election on April 7, 2015. Motion carried.

Announcements:

Tuesday, March 10, 2015 "Special Board Meeting" at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building to approve passing the TIF District resolution.

Wednesday, March 11, 2015 2nd Joint Review Board meeting at 5:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Newsletter Items due in Village Office by Wednesday, March 18th.

Motion by Caves, second by Zettelmeier to adjourn at 7:41 p.m. . Motion carried.

Brenda Black
Village Clerk