



**December 16, 2019**  
**Village Board Meeting**

The Village of Grantsburg Board of Trustees met on Monday, December 16, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the Village Office, 316 Brad Street S, Grantsburg, WI 54840. The December 9, 2019 meeting was rescheduled due to the weather.

Present: Village President, Michael Longhenry  
Village Trustee, Diane Barton  
Village Trustee, Greg Peer  
Village Trustee, Caylin Muehlberg  
Village Trustee, Russell Stone  
Village Trustee, Julie Roberts  
Village Trustee, Joe Sturdevant

Others: Police Chief, Dan Wald  
Director of Public Works, Chris Bartlett  
Allison Longhenry, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer  
Kristina Kelly-Johnson-Library Director  
Jonathan Richie, Burnett County Sentinel  
Becky Strabel, Inter County Leader  
John & Judy Peterson, Larry & LuAnn Ebersold, Brent Blomberg, Dennis McKenzie (arrived at 7:00 p.m.), Steve Briggs (arrived at 7:05 p.m.)

President Longhenry called the Village Board meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**6:00 p.m. Discussion/Action: Mike Alderman-Downtown Security Camera.** Mike Alderman was unable to attend the meeting. Clerk/Treasurer Meyer explained Alderman was going to request the Village investigate installing cameras in the downtown area. He is willing to house the recording equipment at his office. This was referred to the Public Safety Committee.

**Acknowledgements.** A letter of appreciation will be sent to Mike Janke, owner of Hummer's Rendezvous & Event Center thanking him for the new façade on his business.

**Correspondence.** Included in the Trustee's meeting packets were Director of Public Work's Report, Wastewater Facility Inspection Report, Police Chief's Report, Clerk/Treasurer's Report, Cash Report, Budget to Actual Report, Fire Inspections, Burnett County Administration Newsletter.

**Minutes.** Motion by Trustee Muehlberg, second by Trustee Stone to approve the minutes of the following meetings as presented: November 11, 2019 Village Board; November 19, 2019 Administration Committee; December 3, 2019 Recreation Committee; December 4, 2019 Administration Committee. Motion carried.

**Board, Staff and Committee Reports**

**Library.** Library Director Kelley-Johnson gave her library report.

**Administration Committee. Discussion/Action: Nuisance Ordinance.** The nuisance ordinance was tabled until January.

**Recreation Committee. Discussion/Action: Community Center a) Long-term Rental Agreement with School District.** No action needed. Clerk/Treasurer Meyer reported that the contract has been approved by the Grantsburg School Board. **b) Library Use.** The Recreation Committee recommends the Village Board approves the Library use of the Community Center for their Wee Play Program. **Motion by Trustee Muehlberg, second by President Longhenry to allow the Grantsburg Public Library to use the Community Center for their Wee Play Program on Friday mornings from 10:00 am to Noon, from January 3, 2020 to February 28, 2020. Motion carried. c) Skating Rink open house & ribbon cutting.** Trustee Muehlberg also reported the Recreation Committee would like the Village to have an open house/ribbon cutting for the new skating rink on January 11, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. The Village Board agreed.

**Public Works: Discussion/Action: a) Agreement to store street sweeper at Fire Hall.** Motion by Trustee Muehlberg, second by Trustee Barton to approve the street sweeper storage agreement between the Village of Grantsburg and the Grantsburg Fire Association. Motion carried. **b) Charge for water used at fires in the Village.** This matter was referred to the Administration Committee. **c) Use of Jetter.** DPW Bartlett informed the board he has been approached by a business that would like to use the Village's Sewer Jetter. They offered to purchase a hose and nozzle for the use. This would require two of the Village crew to perform the jetting for possibly two days. **Motion by President Longhenry, second by Trustee Peer to decline the request to use the Village's Sewer Jetter for private use. Motion carried.** DPW Bartlett also informed the Board he has been approached by a Burnett County Highway Department employee about the possibility of the County renting an area if a new Village shop were constructed in the future. They would like to store their grader, backhoe and salt/sand. The Board gave Bartlett permission to start doing research on this.

**6:30 p.m. Discussion/Action: Public Hearing-Community Development Block Grant-Public Facilities (CDBG-PF) in the amount of \$500,000 for Madison Avenue Utility and Street Improvements.** President Longhenry opened the Public Hearing for the CDBG Downtown Project.

President Longhenry asked is anyone was here to speak in favor of or negatively about the project. Mike Janke, owner of Southern Crex Spirits dba Hummer's Rendezvous, indicated that he felt the contractors on the project did very well dealing with the weather, were minimally invasive to his business. He felt the project was well organize and felt that he was kept informed. Trustee Stone asked how the water running down the South Oak Street hill would be kept off the sidewalk in from of the Indianhead Credit Union business with no curb in the bump out at Madison & Oak. Duke Tucker said he had talked with Dan Penzkover, engineer with S E H, regarding this concern during the construction. It was also reported that many individuals have commented on the streetlights being dimmer than previously. It was suggested that Focus on Energy could be asked to do a test on the lights for brightness.

**Motion by Trustee Muehlberg, second by Trustee Barton to close the Public Hearing at 6:40 p.m. Motion carried.**

**Board, Staff and Committee Reports (continued).**

**Public Works (continued).** DPW Bartlett was asked about the streetlights and snowflake decorations that are not lit on South Pine Street. He reported that Mauer Power will be coming to check it out. DPW Bartlett discussed the manganese situation. He has taken two (2) rounds of samples around the Village with Well #3 not pumping water. He presented a proposal from Cooper Engineering for Study and Report Phase Services on Well No. 3 Manganese Removal. The Cooper Contract was referred to the Administration Committee for further review and to make a recommendation to the Village Board in January.

**6:45 p.m. Discussion/Action: Public Hearing to Vacate a Portion of North Avenue.** President Longhenry called the Public Hearing to order at 6:45 p.m. He reported that Plan Commission had met prior to the Village Board meeting and recommends approval of the resolution to vacate a portion of North Avenue. President Longhenry asked if anyone wanted to speak in favor of or against the vacation. No one spoke for or against. **Motion by Trustee Muehlberg, second by Trustee Stone to close the Public hearing at 6:50 p.m. Motion carried.**

**Motion by Trustee Muehlberg, second by Trustee Peer to approve Resolution #19-06 to Vacate a portion of North Avenue, parcel 07-131-2-3 8-19-14-5 15-811-027000 described as West 105 feet of North Avenue, Original Plat of the Village of Grantsburg, Burnett County, Wisconsin, recorded in Deed Doc #V96, P114 subject to an easement reserved by the Village of Grantsburg for utilities located under said parcel. Motion carried.** Resolution will be sent to the Burnett County Register of Deeds for recording.

**Discussion/Action: Certified Survey Map (CSM) – Gene Blomberg.** President Longhenry reported that Plan Commission recommends approval of the Blomberg CSM as presented. **Motion by Trustee Muehlberg, second by Trustee Barton to approve the Certified Survey Map submitted by Gene Blomberg to divide his two (2) parcels #07-131-2-38-19-14-1 01-000-011000 and #07-131-2-38-19-14-1 04-000-011000 located on East Harrison Avenue and North Centennial Street into four (4) lots. Motion carried.**

**Discussion/Action: Certified Survey Map (CSM) – Janice Fallstrom.** President Longhenry reported that Plan Commission recommends approval of the Fallstrom CSM as presented. **Motion by Trustee Muehlberg, second by Trustee Stone to approve the Certified Survey Map submitted for Janice Fallstrom to combine parcel #07-131-2-38-19-14-4 01-000-015000 and parcel #07-131-2-38-19-14 01-000-014000 located on East Madison Avenue, into one (1) parcel. Motion carried.**

**Discussion/Action: Appoint Election Workers.** Clerk/Treasurer Meyer presented a list of election workers for the 2020-2021 election cycle. **Motion by President Longhenry, second by Trustee Barton to approve the list of election workers presented for the 2020-2021 elections. Motion carried.**

**Discussion/Action: 2019 Budget Changes.** **Motion by President Longhenry, second by Trustee Muehlberg to approve the changes to the 2019 budgets as presented by Clerk/Treasurer Meyer. Motion carried.**

**7:00 p.m. Discussion/Action: Rod Kleiss-Airport Presentation.** Rod Kleiss appeared to encourage the Village Board to go forward with the proposed improvements to the Grantsburg Airport including

taking funding from the Federal & State Bureaus of Aviation. This matter was referred to the Airport Committee.

**Discussion/Action: A-1 Excavating Pay Request #4.** Motion by President Longhenry, second by Trustee Peer to approve pay request #4 from A-1 Excavating for the CDBG Downtown Project in the amount of \$44,185.72. Motion carried.

**Discussion/Action: Ordinance Amendment #19-06 Smoking.** Motion by President Longhenry, second by Trustee Barton to approve Ordinance Amendment #19-06 Smoking. Discussion ensued. Police Chief Wald indicated he had spoken with the establishment owners in the Village regarding this new ordinance regulating smoking and smoking rooms. Dennis McKenzie, owner of Denny’s Downtown Lanes, asked what the differences were in the Ordinance and the existing state law. PC Wald explained the new ordinance gives local law enforcement the authority to issue citations for violating the ordinance without having to issue a state charge and refer it to the Burnett County District Attorney. Motion carried.

**Discussion/Action: Resolution #19-07 Library Levy Exemption.** Motion by Trustee Muehlberg, second by Trustee Barton to approve Resolution #19-07 Library Levy Exemption. Motion carried.

**Board, Staff and Committee Reports (continued).**

**Fire Association.** Trustee Sturdevant gave the fire association report.

**Discussion/Action: Approval of Bills.** Motion by Trustee Peer, second by Trustee Barton to approve payment of the following bills:

General checks #32605-#32654	\$762,858.00
Payroll #V6611-V6645,16566-575	\$33,486.71
ACH/EFTPS	<u>\$37,532.17</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$833,876.88</b>

Motion carried.

**Discussion/Action: Adjourn.** Motion by Trustee Roberts, second by Trustee Barton to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Motion carried.

Sheila Meyer  
Clerk/Treasurer