

Village of Grantsburg

Village Board of Trustees Meeting Monday, February 12, 2024

The Board of Trustees for the Village of Grantsburg met on Monday, February 12, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Board Room, 316 S. Brad Street, Grantsburg, Wisconsin.

Present: President Terrance Kucera, Trustee Greg Peer, Trustee Diane Barton, Trustee Leo Janke, Trustee Hank Java, Trustee Maurice DJ Henderson, Trustee John McNally.

Others: Director of Public Works John Erickson, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Allison Longhenry, Library Director Lynett Yoerg, Greg Marsten-Burnett County Sentinel, Brent Blomberg

<u>Call to Order</u> President Kucera called the Village Board meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Clerk/Treasurer Meyer conducted roll call. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Public Comments No one appeared.

<u>Correspondence</u> Included in the Board packets for their review: Burnett County Administration newsletter and Grantsburg Golf Course financial reports for 2023.

<u>Minutes</u> President Kucera asked if there were any changes, corrections or additions to the minutes presented from the following 2024 meetings: January 8th Administration Committee; January 8th Village Board. None were proposed. **Minutes were accepted as presented.**

STAFF REPORTS

<u>Public Works</u> DPW Erickson presented his report informing the Trustees of items the Village crew has been working on since the January meeting.

<u>Police</u> Chief Olson was not present for the meeting. His report and graph were included in the Trustee's meeting packet.

<u>Clerk/Treasurer</u> C/T Meyer explained Economic Development Administration's (EDA) process for awarding the Industrial Park Project to low bidder, McCabe Construction, Inc. from Eau Claire, WI, informed the Trustees the Village will be receiving the \$10,000 WI DNR grant for the Aquatic Plant Management plan, presented a list of licenses and permits issued since the last meeting, the cash report showing a checking account balance of \$64,349.96 after all vouchers are paid, and a Treasury account balance of \$1,179,150.26.

<u>Library</u> 1) Director Yoerg presented the monthly Library report showing January activities and upcoming February programs.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>Administration Committee</u> 1) Memory Lake update. Nothing to report.

- <u>2) Sewer rate increase</u>. The Trustees discussed the need for an increase in rates in the Sewer Utility since the sewer revenues are not currently covering expenses. Plan Commission's recommendation was read. After discussion, the Trustees agreed with the Administration Committee's recommendation. Motion by Trustee Janke, second by Trustee Java to approve increasing sewer usage charges by 50% to \$3.85 per 1,000 gallons for residential customers and \$3.50 per 1,000 gallons for all other customers and to leave fixed charges as is effective April 1, 2024. Motion passed unanimously.
- 3) SEH-Amended contract for WWTP project. DPW Erickson explained the additional items recommended to be added to the WWTP project including moving the main lift station out of the flood plain so submersible pumps with screens and a backup generator can be added and extending water main to the treatment plant so eye wash stations and showers can be available as required. After discussion, a decision on SEH's amended contract was postponed. Motion by President Kucera, second by Trustee Janke to request details and design work on the additional items suggested for the WWTP project. Motion carried unanimously.
- 4) Ehlers Industrial Park financing. C/T Meyer reported she is working with Ehlers to obtain interim and permanent financing on the Industrial Park Expansion project.
- <u>5) Street closure request</u>. The Trustees were informed the Administration Committee approved a street closure request received from Mike Janke and Nicki Peterson for "Rock the Block" to be held on April 13, 2024. Bands will be performing at each bar and the streets closed will be Madison Avenue West from Pine Street to Olson Drive and Oak Street from Madison Avenue West to Olson Drive from 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. for food vendors.

<u>Resolution.</u> Motion by Trustee Java, second by Trustee Barton to approve Resolution #2024-01 International Migratory Bird Day (IMB) designating May 1, 2024, as IMB day. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>GHA</u> Motion by President Kucera, second by Trustee Barton to reappoint Terri Stone to a 5-year term on the Grantsburg Housing Authority Board of Commissioners effective May 1, 2024. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Bills</u> Motion by Trustee Janke, second by Trustee Java to approve payment of the bills as presented:

Checks #35550-52, 35565-35622	\$393,497.12
Payroll vouchers #V8705-V8758, Ck 16733	\$52,364.66
ACH/EFTPS payments	\$46,427.09
Total	\$492,288.87

Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Trustee reports, concerns, etc.</u> Trustee Peer reported he attended the Burnett County Tourism meeting discussing the Governor's fishing opener visit, and a fundraiser being held by Grantsburg Rotary and GRO to raise funds for the installation costs associated with adding a splashpad at the pool on April 21, 2024. Trustee McNally asked about the cost of Text My Gov

and current usage of the app.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Sheila Meyer Clerk/Treasurer