

**May 7, 2012**

**REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING**

**Call to Order/Roll Call** – Village President Tom Pinch called this Regular Village Board meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following members present: Tom Pinch, Zach Washa, Caleb Buroker, Tom Cody, Susan Washa, Dennis Richgels and John Kreul. Others present were Tom Hebgen, Daniel Swinehart, David Vobora and Becky Fredericks.

**Certification/Compliance** – Clerk certified that notice of meeting was posted on May 4, 2012. Dennis Richgels motioned as to compliance with open meeting law. Susan Washa seconded. Motion carried.

**Public Input/Not for Action** – No public input.

**Update on Highland Freezer Plant** – David Vobora, Business Development Director of SWCAP was here to give a presentation on the results of the Market Research Feasibility Study and the Financial Feasibility Study. Preliminary results show that more research and options need to be explored. SWCAP is looking at possibly applying for more grants to proceed with the research and hoping to have some more information later this year.

**Open/Approve Sealcoating Quotes** – Proposals were received to sealcoat Tower Rd, Horizon St, Progressive Way, Valley St and the shop gravel lot. Two proposals were received, one from Fahrner Asphalt Sealers and one from Scott Construction. Fahrner's proposal was \$2.22 per sq. yd. for single coat and \$3.70 per sq. yd. for double coat. Scott's proposal was \$1.69 per sq. yd. for single coat and \$2.99 per sq. yd. for double coat. Motion by Dennis Richgels to accept Scott Construction bid as presented with option # on Valley St. Zach Washa seconded. Roll call vote "Aye": Zach Washa, Caleb Buroker, Tom Cody, Susan Washa, Dennis Richgels and Tom Pinch. John Kreul abstained. Motion carried.

**Our Town Discussion** – Becky received a phone call asking if there will be vendors at the event this year and it was decided that we will not be having vendors. Becky to send letters to organizations asking for their help again this year to work in the concession and beer stands. Tom Pinch will check on the tent. Tom Cody has asked to give up his duties with the bean bag tournament to be able to focus on the beer tent and help in the concession stand. Zach Washa has agreed to run the bean bag tournament.

**Rescind Motion on Resolution 2012-1 Village of Highland TID#2 Borrowing Resolution** – Dennis Richgels rescinds his motion on Resolution 2012-1 from April 2, 2012. Caleb Buroker seconded. Roll call vote "Aye": Zach Washa, Caleb Buroker, Tom Cody, Susan Washa, Dennis Richgels, John Kreul and Tom Pinch. Motion carried.

**Approve Resolution 2012-1 Village of Highland TID# Borrowing Resolution** – Motion by Dennis Richgels to approve Resolution 2012-1 Village of Highland TID#2 Borrowing Resolution at the 1.5% rate for 2 years. Caleb Buroker seconded. Roll call vote "Aye": Zach

Washa, Caleb Buroker, Tom Cody, Susan Washa, Dennis Richgels and Tom Pinch. John Kreul abstained. Motion carried.

**Update on State Project Soils at Sewer Plant** – Tom Hebgen informed the board that the State has contacted him and they no longer want to have any contaminated soils on any property that is not owned by the State. It has been tentatively set that they will be trucking out all of the soil in June at their expense and will return the village property to its existing state before the soil was placed there.

**Discuss Zoning Permit Fees** – After some discussion it was decided that the fees for a Conditional Use Permit, a Petition for Zoning Amendment, an Appeal to the Board of Appeals and an application for a Variance to the Board of Appeals should be changed to \$175 per application. Further discussion will be at the June board meeting.

**Open/Approve Lawn Mowing Bids** – Bids were requested for a couple of vacant properties in the Village of Highland. One bid was received from Fox's Lawn Mowing & Lawn Care for a price of \$25 per mowing. Motion by Susan Washa to accept the bid from Fox's Lawn Mowing & Lawn Care. Zach Washa seconded. Motion carried.

**Consider/Approve Donation to WRWA** – Tom Hebgen presented to the board an option for the Village to buy a engraved paver to be installed at the Wisconsin Rural Water Association training facility in Plover, WI. Motion by Susan Washa to approve a \$100 donation to WRWA for an 8"x8" engraved paver. Dennis Richgels seconded. Motion carried.

**Approve Committee Appointments** – Motion by Caleb Buroker to approve the committee appointments as presented by the Village President. John Kreul seconded. Motion carried.

**Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings** – Susan Washa motioned to approve the April 2, 2012 Board Meeting minutes. Tom Cody seconded. Motion carried.

**Authorize Payment of Bills** – Tom Cody motioned to approve payment of bills as presented: General Account \$32,802.89, Sewer Account \$13,878.63, Water Account \$18,621.54 and TID #2 Account \$4,147.34. Caleb Buroker seconded. Motion carried.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Economic Development** – Tom Pinch informed the board that Don McGuire is working with another interested party in the grocery store. Gary Hach has purchased HL.I's lot and is planning to split it into two parcels.

**Law Enforcement** – Daniel Swinehart informed the board that his radios are upgraded and the VRS is being looked at & fixed by Comelec at their expense. He will be participating in the Click It or Ticket which is May 21 thru June 3. He will be holding bike safety training at the school on May 14.

**Water** – Tom Hebgen informed the board that Bart Nies informed him that there are grants available to projects and was wondering if the Village would be interested in applying for one. Looking at the well house it needs to be updated soon and would qualify to apply for a grant for this project. Bart Nies has offered to write up the grant for this. Tom Esser did some work on the control panel electrical but it does need to be updated and could be part of the grant application also.

**Streets** – Tom Hebgen informed the board that they will be putting some cold mix on Kennedy St. The curb and gutter by Tom Bomkamp's was fixed and it has improved the sanitary sewer readings.

**Park** – Trees will get ordered soon. Jim Riley Jr stopped in the office and asked if it would be alright for the Volleyball Club to purchase new volleyball nets, he was given the approval to do this. They are also requesting for some sand and have offered to do the work to take care of it. Sprague looked at some of the trees in the park and there are for sure 3 trees that are hollow which will cost about \$500-\$600 per tree to remove and clean up. Park Committee will meet before the next board meeting to discuss.

**Public Property** – Mike Flynn poured the rest of the parking spot by the lower apartments. Will get more gravel for more parking at the apartments.

**Fire District** – The board was informed that the tornado siren is not working. Tom Michek is looking into getting the power board fixed until we can get a new board.

**Set June Board Meeting** – June board meeting will be June 4, 2012.

**Adjournment** – Susan Washa motioned to adjourn at 9:18 p.m. Caleb Buroker seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Becky Fredericks, Clerk-Treasurer