

March 7, 2016

REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

Call to Order/Roll Call – Village President Susan Washa called this Regular Village Board meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following members present: Zach Washa, Ginger Halverson, Tom Cody, Tony Kaster, Dennis Richgels, John Kreul and Susan Washa. Others present were Timothy McKinley, Hunter Aide, Bart Nies, Daniel Swinehart, Tom Hebgen and Becky Fredericks.

Certification/Compliance – Clerk certified that notice of meeting was posted on March 4, 2016. Zach Washa motioned as to compliance with open meeting law. Tony Kaster seconded. Motion carried.

Public Input – not for action – Timothy McKinley, candidate for Iowa County Judge was in attendance to give a speech on who he is and why he is running for Iowa County Judge.

Award/Deny Progressive Way Construction Project Bid – Bart Nies, Delta 3 Engineering, Inc was present to share with the board members the results from the Progressive Way Construction Project Bid Opening on February 18th. Lowest base bid for Contract #1 was submitted by WC Stewart Construction, Inc from Dubuque, Iowa in the amount of \$191,132.73. Owen’s Excavating and Trenching from Hazel Green, Wisconsin submitted the second lowest bid for Contract #1 in the amount of \$203,563.00. An Alternate #1 bid was requested for the addition of construction on Progressive Way from State Hwy 80 to Valley St. WC Stewart Construction, Inc submitted the lowest bid for this also for a total project price of \$244,013.03 with Owen’s Excavating and Trenching submitted the second lowest in the amount of \$253,093.00. After some discussion, Susan Washa motioned to award Contract #1 with Alternate #1 to WC Stewart Construction, Inc in the amount of \$244,013.03 and to pay all engineering costs out of the Village of Highland TID #2 account. Zach Washa seconded. Roll call vote “Aye”: Zach Washa, Ginger Halverson, Tom Cody, Tony Kaster, Dennis Richgels, John Kreul and Susan Washa. Motion carried.

Hunter Aide to address board on his School Senior Project – take action, if necessary – Hunter was present to ask the board if they would allow him refurbish the benches that are currently sitting on the tennis court. He would like to make the benches useable again and will look into the possibility of make them feasible to use as moveable benches as opposed to stationary as they are currently designed. Tony Kaster motioned to accept Hunter Aide’s proposal to refurbish the benches. Susan Washa seconded.

Award/Deny Grandstand Roof Bid – Tom Hebgen informed the board that he had received 3 labor only bids for the installation of new shingles on the grandstand (remove old & install new). The bids were received of Michek Masonry & Carpentry for \$2,100.00, Otter Creek Construction LLC for \$2,140.00 and Custom Builders LLC for \$2,880.00. Tom received a material quote from J&M Building Supply Inc for \$2,175.53. With using the lowest submitted labor bid the total project will cost \$4,275.53. Tony Kaster motioned to accept the bid from Michek Masonry & Carpentry for \$2,100.00 for labor on the grandstand roof project. John Kreul seconded. Roll call vote “Aye”: Dennis Richgels, Tom Cody, Zach Washa, John Kreul, Tony Kaster, Ginger Halverson and Susan Washa. Motion carried.

Discuss Iowa County Board of Supervisors pertaining to Iowa County Dams – take action, if necessary – It was decided that a letter will be sent to the Iowa County Administrator. Susan Washa motioned to approve sending a letter stating the Village of Highland is not interested in taking ownership because there are no dams in the limits of the Village of Highland. Zach Washa seconded.

Discuss purchase of lawnmower – take action, if necessary – Tom Hebgen let the board know that he received a bid from Ritchie’s Implement for a 2016 Ferris Zero-Turn Mower in the amount of \$10,000.00. Tom Cody motioned to purchase the 2016 Ferris Zero-Turn Mower for \$10,000.00 from Ritchie’s Implement. Ginger Halverson seconded. Roll call vote “Aye”: Ginger Halverson, Tony Kaster, John Kreul, Zach Washa, Tom Cody, Dennis Richgels and Susan Washa.

Discuss purchase of holiday decorations – take action, if necessary – The current holiday light decorations are in need of replacements. A quote was received from Display Sales for 5 new decorations at a cost of \$1,526.00 with shipping & handling. Ginger Halverson motioned to approve the purchase of 5 new decorations from Display Sales for \$1,526.00. John Kreul seconded. Roll call vote “Aye”: Tom Cody, Susan Washa, Tony Kaster, Zach Washa, John Kreul, Ginger Halverson and Dennis Richgels. Motion carried.

Updates on the dog park – take action, if necessary – Jill Klubertanz was to be in attendance to bring back information to the board. Due to her not being here no action was taken at this time.

Discuss purchase of generator – take action, if necessary – Tom Hebgen informed the board that he is still working on this and said he would have information for the April board meeting.

Discuss storage building – take action, if necessary – Tom Hebgen informed the board that he is still working on the plan (building size etc....) and materials. Then he asked the board if this is something that we will want to proceed forward with and the board all agreed that it was a great idea because there is a need for the storage building.

Our Town Discussion – Schedule – The work schedule shifts were distributed to the board members to find workers for one of the time shifts.

Jill Klubertanz arrived at 7:39 p.m.

Updates on dog park – take action, if necessary – Jill informed the board that she checked with about half a dozen dog parks and the people she talked to said that they have not had any issues with people cleaning up after their dogs. She also informed the board that she had talked to Tom Michek about the possibility of putting in a dog park at Blackhawk Lake. Tom said that he would take her request to the lake board meeting on Wednesday evening. The board decided to wait to see what the lake board decides before making any decisions.

Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings – Susan Washa motioned to approve the February 1, 2016 Board Meeting minutes. Dennis Richgels seconded. Motion carried.

Authorize Payment of Bills – Ginger Halverson motioned to approve payment of bills as presented: General Account \$53,772.24, Sewer Account \$10,427.63, Water Account \$12,437.32 and TID #2 Account \$13,793.60. Zach Washa seconded. Roll call vote “Aye”: John Kreul, Tony Kaster, Tom Cody, Ginger Halverson, Zach Washa, and Susan Washa. Motion carried with Dennis Richgels abstaining.

Committee Reports:

Economic Development – None

Law Enforcement – Report submitted.

Water – Tom Hebgen informed the board that he has been getting quotes for the water tower cleaning.

Sewer – Nothing new to report.

Streets – Nothing new to report.

Parks – Nothing new to report.

Public Property – The committee had a meeting on February 15 and met at the Village apartments to check the apartment smoke detectors. Some required new batteries that were replaced by the committee and they made a list of ones that need to be replaced with a new unit and the list was given to Tom & Steve.

Fire District – Nothing new to report.

Operator Licenses – Susan Washa motioned to approve an Operator’s License for Mercedes Wiest. Ginger Halverson seconded. Roll call vote “Aye”: Ginger Halverson, Susan Washa, Dennis Richgels, Tom Cody, Zach Washa, John Kreul and Tony Kaster. Motion carried.

Zoning Permits – None

Forthcoming Events – The board was reminded about the Annual LWMMI Policyholder Conference at the Chula Vista in Wisconsin Dells on April 28 & 29, free for one member.

Correspondence Received – The village clerk received an email from Sharon Lehman that the clinic will be moving to the new location in May and Dr. Lehman & Sharon are looking at options for the old clinic. They would like to request that if the board knows of someone or hears someone looking for a place to let them know about the clinic. Village clerk has been looking at a different credit card company for utility payments to allow for credit card transactions in office as opposed to thru a website only and has received information from one company called, GovPayNet. This might not be the right company so will still look into other options, but it’s not a priority right now.

Set April Board Meeting – April 4, 2016

Adjournment – Ginger Halverson motioned to adjourn at 8:13 p.m. Zach Washa seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Becky Fredericks, Clerk-Treasurer