

MIINUTES OF MEETING AUGUST 12, 2020

President Schreiner called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll call was taken with all Trustees present.

Visitors present were Pat Morrow of MSA, Kristin Lueck, Tom and Angel Olson, and Donald Watson of the Star News.

Moved by Van Hecker, seconded by Bullis to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as printed. Motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT

Tax Account	\$ 139,248.98
General Fund	\$ 386,301.58
Water Operations Fund	\$ 127,605.54
Water Redemption Fund	\$ 1,425.64
Water Depreciation Fund	\$ 7,937.43
Water Equipment Replacement Fund	\$ 22,852.60
Sewer Operations Fund	\$ 213,014.16
Sewer Redemption Fund	\$ 203,756.26
Sewer Depreciation Fund	\$ 11,951.27
Sewer Equipment Replacement Fund	<u>\$ 144,223.90</u>
	\$ 1,258,317.36

GENERAL BILLS JULY 2020

Check Number

9520	Exxon Mobil	378.08
9521	Xcel Energy	2,061.45
9522	R.L. Water & Sewer Utilities	1,180.00
9523	Randy Thums Trucking & Exc. LLC	340.00
9524	Gary Polacek	24.05
9525	R.L. Roller Mills, Inc.	137.50
9526	Jt. R.L. Area Fire Com.	3,625.00
9527	MSA	8,000.00
9528	Angelisa Leggett	467.62
9529	Audrey Noland	139.36
9530	Danielle Fornal	533.71
9531	Elizabeth Kauer	156.48
9532	Gary Polacek	948.68
9533	William Eisner	332.46
	IRS	463.06
9534	Daniel Koehler	626.18
9535	Dawn Swenson	1,159.24
9536	Derek Beckstrand	1,219.49
9537	Hunter Bernitt	1,089.08
9538	Thomas Olson	1,137.95
9539	Tammy Mann	197.02
9540	Tamara Blomberg	772.75
9541	Krista Blomberg	454.38
	WI Dept. Revenue	751.75
	Great West	200.00
	IRS	2,061.66
9542	Medford Co-op Inc.	301.61
9543	R.L. True Value	194.62
9544	Security Health Plan	6,609.15
9545	Central WI Publications, Inc.	147.00
9546	Frontier	66.77
9547	Visionary Design Concepts	675.00
9548	K&B Refrigeration	379.00
9549	Klingbeil Lumber Co.	143.96
9550	Rodney Galica	20.00
	WI Retirement System	2,341.86

9551	Advanced Disposal	2,741.79
9552	Cintas	165.33
9553	Superior Chemical Corp.	880.79
9554	CSC Services LLC	300.00
9555	J&P Auto	48.31
9556	IRS	9.80
9557	Daniel Koehler	576.71
9558	Dawn Swenson	1,159.25
9559	Derek Beckstrand	1,219.49
9560	Hunter Bernitt	1,089.08
9561	Krista Blomberg	413.00
9562	Tamara Blomberg	718.06
9563	Tammy Mann	298.30
9564	Thomas Olson	1,137.95
	Great West	200.00
9565	Verizon	251.28
9566	Police Dept.	162.00
9567	3PA	150.00
9568	Bauernfeind	58.32
9569	Ilene Becker	50.00
9570	Jt. R.L. Area Fire Comm.	1,571.95
9571	R.L. Inland Lake District	6,000.00
9572	Carquest/Advanced Auto Parts	33.48
	IRS	2,038.16
9573	Larry Judnic	60.00
9574	Mary Mogensen	25.00
9575	American Asphalt	29,294.80
9576	Taylor Cty IT Dept.	404.79
9577	Baycom, Inc.	4,342.00
9578	Joan Pavur	56.45
9579	J&P Auto Inc.	102.99
9580	Andy Dums	616.25
9581	Daniel Koehler	457.80
9582	Dawn Swenson	1,159.25
9583	Derek Beckstrand	1,219.49
9584	Hunter Bernitt	1,089.08

9585	Krista Blomberg	443.13
9586	Tamara Blomberg	704.26
9587	Tammy Mann	153.61
9588	Thomas Olson	1,137.94
	Great West	200.00

GENERAL RECEIPTS JULY 2020

Receipt Number

7922	Hankes Little Bo LLC	289.50
7923	C&G Mini Mart	289.50
7924	Kara Rendell	50.00
7925	T.C. Treas.	2,217.84
7926	WI Surplus Online Auction	28.00
7927	State of WI DOT	12,015.62
7928	State of WI	664.20
7929	Customers	1,243.95
7930	Jt. R.L. Fire Commission	7,762.46
7931	Derek Beckstrand	15.75
7932	R.L. Homes	375.47
7933	T.C. Clerk of Courts	42.95
7934	Customer Accts.	1,091.94
7935	Ilene Becker	150.00
7936	Larry Judnic	120.00
7937	Customer Accts.	1,224.53
7938	Lakeview Park	2,265.75
7939	Mary Mogensen	75.00
7940	Christopher and Sue Peterson	480.00
7941	State of WI	1,571.95
7942	Customer Accts.	1,594.16
7943	J & P Auto	30.00
7944	C & G Mini Mart	80.00
7945	Expedia Inc.	70.48
7946	Customer Accts.	510.76
7947	State of WI	47,693.20
7948	State of WI	78.99
7949	State of WI	878.90
7950	Avalera, Inc. My Lodge Tax	146.51

7951	R.L Police Dept. fundraiser	2,040.00
7952	Mel Radtke	70.00
7953	Lakeview Park	1,360.00
7954	Stephanie Fredrickson	45.00
7955	Customer Accts.	911.55

WATER BILLS PAID JULY 2020

Check Number

8869	Ag Source	208.50
8870	R.L. True Value	121.99
8871	Hawkins Inc.	55.60
8872	Xcel Energy	544.34
8873	Diggers Hotline	28.71
8874	Wisco Materials LLC	237.38
8875	Northern Lake Service, Inc.	453.00

WATER RECEIPTS JULY 2020

Receipt Number

1782	Customer Accts.	4,199.45
1783	Customer Accts.	4,300.01
1784	Customer Accts.	4,405.42
1785	Customer Accts.	5,312.26
1786	Customer Accts.	1,948.43
1787	Customer Accts.	2,208.95

SEWER BILLS PAID JULY 2020

Check Number

5094	R.L. Water Utility	259.10
5095	WI Rural Water Assoc.	50.00
5096	Ag Source	956.50
5097	Hawkins, Inc.	2,020.93
5098	Diggers Hotline	28.71
5099	Xcel Energy	1,694.79
5100	Verizon	139.55

SEWER RECEIPTS JULY 2020

Receipt Number

1570	Customers	30.00
1571	Customer Accts.	11,900.74
1572	Customer Accts.	12,929.15

1573	Customer Accts.	12,744.83
1574	Black River Transport, LLC	2,680.50
1575	Customer Accts.	14,860.09
1576	Customers	20.00
1577	Customer Accts.	5,326.38
1578	Customer Accts.	5,585.70

Moved by Mann, seconded by Tesch to accept the Treasurers Report as printed and pay all bills presented. Motion carried. Clerk was instructed to add \$2,500 as was budgeted, to the Police Squad C.D. and renew for another year.

Chief Beckstrand presented his monthly written police report and informed the Board that the new computer has been installed.

Pat Morrow of MSA presented the following update on the sewer plant and other projects.

WWTF, INTERCEPTOR & COLLECTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

We are in the process of the design for the cover on the storage tank and other improvements to mitigate the potential for freezing. Delays due to the current pandemic have occurred, but we are still targeting that the sludge storage tank cover and other minor modifications would be installed by Staab this year.

Recently one of the old sludge storage tank blowers failed and requires replacement. This is the unit that had been exhibiting vibrations in the 'warning' level in June 2019 when Crane Engineering evaluated the blowers. This blower was not replaced as part of the WWTF upgrade, it was an existing blower. We hope to have an answer from DNR by the time of the Board Meeting whether leftover contingency funds can be applied to the replacement of this blower.

LANDALL ST. / MCCOMB AVE – CDBG GRANT PENDING

MSA submitted a CDBG Grant Application on the Village's Behalf and we are waiting to hear back. CDBG awards are usually made by the end of August. Recent discussions with DOA indicate that they will make announcements on August 21, 2020.

WATER TOWER REHABILITATION

MSA water engineers have briefly reviewed the Water Tower inspection report and the recommendations that it contains. We have helped numerous communities with similar projects.

When MSA has done this previously, we have worked with KLM as well as other firms when it comes to inspection services. The initial step would be to figure out the funding for the project, and look at water rate impacts, if any. The safe drinking water loan program would be the most likely source of low interest loan and up to 60% principal forgiveness (grant).

The Village had de-federalized CDBG CLOSE program funds in the amount of \$110,000. Many communities created their own revolving fund with the CLOSE dollars to replace other revolving fund programs that the DOA closed. If the Village still has CLOSE funds available, all or a portion of the funds could likely be applied to the water tower.

WDNR INTENT TO APPLY – CLEAN WATER FUND AND SAFE DRINKING WATER LOAN PROGRAMS – DUE OCTOBER 2020

WDNR **Clean Water Fund (CWF)** and **Safe Drinking Water Loan Program (SDWLP)** ITA (Intent to Apply) and PERF (Priority Evaluation and Ranking Forms) are due to the WDNR in October. This will allow the Village to know where they stand regarding low interest loans and/or principal forgiveness (grant) to finance the project. Based upon current interest rates set by DNR, the Village could fund the water tower improvements with a 20 year loan at 1.056%, and be eligible for 60% principal forgiveness (grant) not to exceed \$500,000. MSA will assist the Village with the submittal of an ITA and PERF for the Safe Drinking Water Fund Loan Program in October 2020. Plans and specifications would need to be submitted to the DNR (along with the SDWLP Application) by June 30, 2021.

There was also discussion on some equipment issues at the Waste Treatment Facility and Trustee Van Hecker stated that he will coordinate with the utility employees to follow through on some of the suggested remedies to these issues.

President Schreiner read a letter written by a Board Committee to Aspirus inquiring when to expect our Rib Lake Clinic to be re-opened and their response that they cannot answer that question yet.

Officer Beckstrand received a new Memorandum of Understanding for the School Resource Officer. Moved by Mann, seconded by Tesch to accept and approve the Memorandum of Understanding from the school for renewal. Motion carried.

There was discussion on the Police Dept. entrance sign and proposal from ProDesigns. Moved by Buksa, seconded by Van Hecker to accept option A design from the proposal at a cost of \$1,165.00. Motion carried. The village public works employees will install the sign.

Moved by Buksa, seconded by Bullis to set a fee of \$30.00 per day on abandoned vehicles being impounded by the Police Department within the village. Motion carried.

There was also discussion on possible Lakeview Park signs. The Park committee is to come up with a design and get a price quote. Location of the sign with an arrow will be at the end of Fayette near the pathway across from Lakeshore Dr.

There was discussion on the roof and gutter replacement at the Lakeview Park Shelter. Moved by Buksa, seconded by Mann to accept the estimate from Olson Construction for a cost of \$7,250.00 for installation of a metal roof and seamless gutters. Motion carried.

The utility committee made a recommendation to proceed with the KLM proposal to install the GS-9 Mixer & Scada Control Box at the Water Tower for a price of \$15,900.00. Moved by Van Hecker, seconded by Tesch to accept the proposal and proceed with the project. Motion carried.

The utility committee recommends proceeding with the Water Tower painting and repairs. President Schreiner had contacted MSA to assist with the initial step of figuring out the best sources of funding for the project.

It was proposed by Utility Committee Chairman Van Hecker to set a fee for ground water going into the Sewer System by contractors. Moved by Van Hecker, seconded by Bullis to set the fee of \$7.50 per thousand for those gallons over 8,000 gallons. Motion carried.

Trustee/Employee Reports:

Tom Olson – Several streets were patched; will be ditching behind café tomorrow; new storm drain going in on Church St.; drain tile project was completed at the Lakeview Park.

Bullis – Suggested that Wisco Stone should be informed to clean up the stones and gravel from the street; reported that there was no quorum for the July Recycle/Fire Commission meeting; gave a police committee report; received samples of employee handbook to help create one for the village; discussed a potential applicant for a Liquor License and possible revised policy/ordinance regarding the qualifications.

Schreiner – Reported an issue that Cenex Station had with their freezer which required them to run thousands of gallons of water that did not go down the sewer and are requesting a credit on the sewer part of the bill somewhat like customers who report gals used in their pools.

Mann – The Library had their outdoor family movie night and will have another one in a few weeks.

Van Hecker – Reported the renewal of the propane contract at a price of \$0.99 per gal with Tripoli Propane.

Moved by Mann, seconded by Van Hecker to approve a sewer credit in the amount of \$924.05 to Cenex Station for the gallons that did not go down the sewer due to their freezer issue. Motion carried.

Moved by Tesch, seconded by Mann to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Motion carried.

Dawn Swenson, Clerk