

MINUTES OF MEETING SEPTEMBER 9, 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, and Donald Watson of the Star News.

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

TREASURERS REPORT

Tax Account	\$	139,254.89
General Fund	\$	460,719.56
Water Operations Fund	\$	129,158.55
Water Redemption Fund	\$	1,425.64
Water Depreciation Fund	\$	7,937.43
Water Equipment Replacement Fund	\$	22,852.60
Sewer Operations Fund	\$	177,842.84
Sewer Redemption Fund	\$	203,756.26
Sewer Depreciation Fund	\$	11,951.27
Sewer Equipment Replacement Fund	\$	<u>144,223.90</u>
	\$	1,299,122.94

GENERAL BILLS PAID AUGUST 2020

Check Number

	IRS	1,975.52
9589	Xcel Energy	2,372.94
9590	Exxon Mobil	273.71
9591	Aspirus	41.00
9592	Superior Chemical Corp.	730.96
9593	Angelisa Leggett	559.94
9594	Audrey Noland	171.15
9595	Danielle Fornal	395.52
9596	Elizabeth Kauer	195.60

9597	Gary Polacek	960.05
9598	William Eisner	221.64
	WI Dept. of Revenue	1,102.83
	IRS	452.58
9599	Medford Coop Inc.	304.24
9600	Rib Lake True Value	208.16
9601	C&D Lumber	372.82
9602	Security Health Plan	6,609.15
9603	Frontier	66.77
9604	Cintas	165.33
9605	CarQuest	78.23
9606	Core & Main	688.75
9607	R.L. Roller Mill	220.00
	WI Retirement System	3,516.32
9608	Daniel Koehler	632.24
9609	Dawn Swenson	1,159.25
9610	Derek Beckstrand	1,219.50
9611	Hunter Bernitt	1,089.08
9612	Krista Blomberg	428.57
9613	Kristin Lueck	549.73
9614	Tamara Blomberg	759.16
9615	Tammy Mann	311.08
9616	Thomas Olson	1,137.95
	Great West	200.00
9617	Advanced Disposal	2,741.79
9618	Verizon	251.20
9619	Cardmember Service	218.49
9620	MannMade Pizza	58.55
9621	T.C. Sheriffs Dept.	35.75
9622	Superior Chemical Corp.	616.87
9623	Randy Thums Trucking LLC	320.00
	IRS	2,190.86
9624	Camille Matyka	25.00

9625	Police Dept. Squad CD	2,500.00
9626	Streichers	883.50
9627	Daniel Koehler	515.03
9628	Dawn Swenson	1,159.25
9629	Derek Beckstrand	1,219.49
9630	Hunter Bernitt	1,089.08
9631	Krista Blomberg	448.75
9632	Kristin Lueck	975.55
9633	Tamara Blomberg	779.56
9634	Tammy Mann	156.95
9635	Thomas Olson	1,137.95
	Great West	200.00

GENERAL RECEIPTS AUGUST 2020

Receipt Number

7956	Tom Krogman	10.00
7957	Rib Lake Homes LLC	382.56
7958	Camille Matyka	75.00
7959	Taylor County – Clerk of Court	28.01
7960	Customer Accts.	283.64
7961	Lakeview Park	1,510.00
7962	Rib Waters Inn	258.03
7963	Taylor County Treasurer	78,773.05
7964	Customer Accts.	270.41
7965	Lakeview Park	920.00
7966	Gary Marschke	35.00
7967	Paige Ogle	75.00
7968	Customer Accts.	162.92
7969	Security Health	991.38
7970	Lakeview Park	1,257.00

WATER BILLS PAID AUGUST 2020

Check Number

8876	Redemption Fund	8,820.18
8877	R.L. True Value	2.00

8878	Wisco Materials	212.62
8879	AgSource	267.00
8880	Core & Main	600.00
8881	Xcel Energy	498.81
8882	Francis Melvin Inc.	1,003.00

WATER RECEIPTS AUGUST 2020

Receipt Number

1788	Water Redemption	21,088.11
1789	Customer Accts.	1,087.99
1790	Customer Accts.	468.28
1791	Customer Accts.	318.93

SEWER BILLS PAID AUGUST 2020

Check Number

5101	Redemption Fund	16,710.00
5102	AgSource	1,142.00
5103	USA Bluebook	481.20
5104	Verizon	139.55
5105	Xcel Energy	1,802.54
5106	USA Bluebook	245.79
5107	Postmaster	24.20

SEWER RECEIPTS AUGUST 2020

Receipt Number

1579	Customer Accts.	2,826.17
1580	Black River Transport LLC	1,700.00
1581	Customer Accts.	1,884.53
1582	Customers	70.00
1583	Void	
1584	Customer Accts.	1,482.55

Moved by Van Hecker, seconded by Buksa to accept the Treasurers Report as printed and pay all bills presented. Motion carried. The clerk was instructed to renew the four maturing CD's.

Chief Beckstrand presented his monthly written police report and informed the Board that the new Police Dept. sign has arrived and is ready to be installed by the Public Works Dept.

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

WWTF, INTERCEPTOR & COLLECTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

We are finalizing the design for the sludge storage tank cover and other improvements to mitigate the potential for freezing. Installation by Staab is still expected to occur this year. We have requested a proposal from Staab to do the work, as well as sent them the Change Order to re-open the contract.

ACTION ITEM: Discussion and Action (signature) on Change Order to re-open the construction contract with Staab Construction Company and proceed with the work, contingent upon DNR approval of Staab's change order cost (yet to be received).

DNR approved leftover contingency funds to be applied to the replacement of the old sludge storage tank blower that failed recently. We also asked DNR if they'd consider providing a replacement to the existing, operational blower, in order to get both blowers essentially "new", since they weren't replaced with the upgrade. DNR requested that we get quotes for a shelf-spares blower & motor, as well as quote for doing vibration testing on the existing blower when Crane is there doing the replacement of the current, failed blower. Per Crane, vibration testing would be a \$150 adder to the quote. Ideally Crane would then supply two technicians on site in order to make sure they could get the one blower installed and the vibration testing completed in a normal working day. However, they could potentially eliminate the 2nd technician if they update the quote to include overtime wages for one technician and the Village is OK with the Village Staff person working overtime with Crane to get the job done. We have provided this information to DNR and are awaiting their response concerning approval of payment for the vibration testing, shelf-spares blower and motor, as well as whether DNR would approve payment for installation of the shelf-spares blower in the event that Vibration Testing indicating warning levels were present.

LANDALL AVENUE/ MCCOMB AVENUE – CDBG GRANT - UPDATE

MSA submitted a CDBG grant application on the Village's behalf back in May 2020. The grant (if awarded) can provide up to 67% match money for the Landall Avenue/McComb Avenue Project. MSA was notified prior to the grant application that this project was eligible for a grant under this program. The Village was notified on August 21, 2020, from the Department of Administration that the project was not selected to receive a grant this year. The reasoning was that the division received more applications than CDBG funds available. This means that not all projects submitted, received grants this year under this program. MSA encourages the Village to reapply next year for this grant as the amount of money available, and the number of applications changes each year. The Village President recently notified MSA that the Village is still interested in completing the Landall Avenue portion of the project. MSA is currently looking into funding sources for this portion of the project. The cost for the Landall Avenue Storm Sewer and Street Reconstruction project is \$277,544.00, including engineering and contingency.

WATER TOWER REHABILITATION (NO CHANGE)

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).

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 you 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.

MSA presented a change order relating to the Sludge Storage Tank Cover. Moved by Bullis and seconded by Buksa to approve the change order to re-open the construction contract with Staab and proceed with the work for the Waste Treatment Facility Sludge Storage Tank Cover and related improvements. Motion carried. Village staff will be helping with installation of the blowers.

Discussed the Utility Committee's recommendation to proceed with the Water Tower painting & repairs. Moved by Van Hecker, seconded by Mann to proceed with the recommendation of getting the Water Tower painted inside and out as well as other repairs to the tower. Motion carried.

Discussed possible loan/funding for Landall Ave. storm sewer project. Moved by Van Hecker, seconded by Mann to hold off on the Landall/McComb project as recommended by MSA until next year in order to re-apply for CDBG funding. Motion carried.

President Schreiner brought up a concern from the Cemetery Assoc. about their financial concerns. President Schreiner will be checking back with Luanne Yanko for answers to some Board member questions regarding the lot prices and mowing expenses.

Moved by Buksa, seconded by Tesch to schedule the annual Halloween trick or treat schedule for Saturday, October 31st from 3 – 6 p.m. There has been no word of any parade again this year.

Trustee Reports:

Van Hecker - Reported on hydrant repair on Kennedy St.; add'l testing required at Sewer Plant; the hauling & spreading of sludge; recommends that Dan Koehler see the attorney regarding mandated DNR ordinance updates for cross connection and well abandonments; informed that someone is unloading raw sewage into the system which is not good; believes Park Row should be paved a little further to the east.

Schreiner – Discussed a lead service replacement grant but after having talked with Jessica Mudgett and learning it could be covered under the Housing CDBG

we will not need to apply for add'l grants; Still reaching out to DNR officials regarding Tannery Creek restoration possibilities; Mentioned that budget work has begun and committees need to submit any possible projects they have in mind.

Bullis – Announced a “last call” tribute for a fallen firefighter coming up on Saturday morning. He discussed Fire/Recycling meeting coming up later this month; New door and window have been installed at the Ambulance Facility at a cost of over \$2,000 and any add'l improvements in the future will need to be negotiated with other townships and Aspirus for extra funding; Park shelter has been painted by the Lions and new metal roof is currently being installed.

Clerk Swenson – Announced that there was not a quorum at the last Recycle/Fire Commission meeting again and that needs to stop.

Moved by Tesch, seconded by Mann to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m.
Motion carried.

Dawn Swenson, Clerk
