

Minutes of Meeting Feb. 9, 2022

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

Visitors present were Ben Greiner, Butch Clendenning, and Emily Gojmerac of the Star News.

Moved by Bullis, seconded by Jones to approve the minutes of the previous meeting on January 12th as printed. Motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT

Tax Account	\$ 322,661.25
General Fund	\$ 764,828.49
Water Operations Fund	\$ 220,678.08
Water Redemption Fund	\$ 21,984.00
Water Depreciation Fund	\$ 13,956.06
Water Equipment Replacement Fund	\$ 22,865.11
Sewer Operations Fund	\$ 179,656.25
Sewer Redemption Fund	\$ 311,464.40
Sewer Depreciation Fund	\$ 11,957.80
Sewer Equipment Replacement Fund	\$ 175,846.30
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	\$ 2,045,897.74

General Bills Paid January 2022

Check Number

10572	Alise Swan	138.71
10573	Amy Abele	369.72
10574	Audrey Noland	142.47
10575	Benjamin Greiner	328.78
10576	Cliff Mann	136.59
10577	Danielle Fornal	525.68
10578	Luanne Yanko	26.54
10579	William Eisner	300.14
10580	Void	-
	IRS	382.12
10581	Advanced Disposal	2,833.56
10582	Cintas	163.10

10583	R.L. True Value	354.21
10584	Frontier	69.65
10585	Dan Koehler	25.00
10586	Security Health Plan	7,123.68
10587	Medford Co-op	86.13
10588	Bobbie Bones Repair	885.13
10589	Exxon Mobil	930.68
10590	Advance Auto Parts	33.18
10591	Jt. Rib Lake Fire Commission	3,625.00
10592	Grace Brehm	25.00
10593	Schmiege Graff & Koch	693.50
10594	R.L. Water & Sewer Utility	1,216.89
	WI Dept. of Revenue	930.13
10595	Daniel Koehler	522.81
10596	Derek Beckstrand	1,278.52
10597	Hunter Bernitt	1,140.87
10598	Krista Blomberg	338.45
10599	Kristin Lueck	1,154.88
10600	Tamara Blomberg	537.78
10601	Tammy Mann	355.13
10602	Thomas Olson	1,191.13
10603	CSC Services	3,000.00
	IRS	1,853.64
	R.L. Water Utility	2,392.22
	R.L. Sewer Utility	6,014.42
	Medical Savings	5,557.00
	Police Dept	14,706.00
10604	GCS Software	367.50
10605	Taylor County Hwy Dept.	803.99
10606	Cardmember Service	50.39
10607	Northwoods Lock Service	76.75
10608	BPA	250.00
10609	Xcel Energy	4,299.48
10610	Bauernfeind	108.64
10611	Forward Bank	100.00

10612	MSA	43,433.95
	R.L. Water Utility	187.25
	R.L. Sewer Utility	406.03
10613	Verizon	250.67
10614	Central WI Publications	291.00
10615	Daniel Koehler	590.42
10616	Derek Beckstrand	1278.46
10617	Hunter Bernitt	1140.86
10618	Krista Blomberg	505.64
10619	Kristin Lueck	1196.91
10620	Tamara Blomberg	337.28
10621	Tammy Mann	405.00
10622	Thomas Olson	1191.09
	IRS	1898.52
10623	Board of Commissioners of Public Land	6820.34
10624	Board of Commissioners of Public Land	5960.81
10625	MSA	687.50
	RL Sewer Utility	474.51
	RL Water Utility	180.98

General Receipts January 2022

Receipt Number

8383	State of WI	10376.35
8384	Future WI Housing	3,600.00
8385	T.C. Commission on Aging	3,600.00
8386	Void	-
8387	Customer Accts.	1,859.44
8388	R.L. Homes	262.30
8389	Taylor County	2,500.00
8390	Lakeview Park	140.00
8391	Customer Accts.	9,384.19
8392	R.L. School District	1,213.55
8393	Customer Accts.	1,677.01
8394	Leah Anderson	15.00
8395	R.L. School Utility	2,756.33
8396	R.L. Water Utility	2,376.48

8397	Forward Bank	45,000.00
8398	Customer Accts	672.29
8399	Vertex	26.58
8400	Customer Accts.	2,074.14
8401	Aspirus Medford Hospital	1,500.00
8402	Avalara	88.74
8403	Customer Accts.	307.80
8404	Jt. Rib Lake Recycling Commission	2871.60
8405	RL Police Dept.	101.46
8406	RL Volunteer Fire Dept.	12,781.15
8407	Alexis Carlsen	75.00
8408	Lisa Dananay	15.00
8409	Customers	711.89
8410	Customer Accts.	283.12

Water Bills Paid January 2022

Check Number

8995	Diggers Hotline	104.40
8996	AgSource	50.00
8997	Medford Co-op	199.15
8998	Hawkins, Inc.	120.00
8999	Xcel Energy	880.88
	R.L. General Fund	2,376.48
9000	Medford Cooperative	200.45

Water Receipts January 2022

Receipt Number

1885	Customer Accts.	4,624.06
1886	Customer Accts.	2,392.22
1887	Customer Accts.	7,722.73
1888	Customer Accts.	187.25
1889	Customer Accts.	5,074.74
1890	Customer Accts.	1,047.71
1891	Customer Accts.	768.34
1892	Customer Accts.	180.98

Sewer Bills Paid January 2022

Check Number

5246	Diggers Hotline	104.40
5247	R.L. Water Utility	133.71
5248	R.L. True Value	41.47
	R.L. Sewer Utility	10.00
5249	WI Dept. of Revenue	10.00
5250	AgSource	1,112.50
	R.L. General Fund	2,756.33
5251	Xcel Energy	2,815.49
5252	Verizon	139.39

Sewer Receipts January 2022

Receipt Number

1704	Customer Accts.	13,733.39
1705	Black River Transport	3,547.15
1706	Customer Accts.	6,014.42
1707	Customer Accts.	22,292.10
1708	General Fund	10.00
1709	Customer Accts.	406.03
1710	Customer Accts.	14,281.88
1711	Customer Accts.	3,272.42
1712	Customer Accts.	2128.81
1713	Customer Accts.	474.51

Moved by Tesch, seconded by Jones to accept the Treasurers Report as printed.
Motion carried.

Chief Beckstrand presented his monthly police report. The new police squad was picked up this afternoon. Everything should be installed within the next couple of weeks. Chief Beckstrand has been reaching out to a couple entities to see if there is interest in purchasing the old squad.

Old Business:

Phil Kriesel of MSA sent the following update.

WWTF Improvements – Sludge Storage Tank

MSA is working with the DNR and the Village to do the formal close out of the project. Nicole Kruschel of MSA has been working with Kristin as needed.

McComb Avenue/Landall Avenue

Jeff Seamandel and Phil Kriesel met with the Village President and DPW to review the plans on February 7th. Construction plans are close to being complete. The project was originally scheduled to go out for bid in April. MSA plans to accelerate the project schedule. The bid date for this project is March 10th at

2:00 p.m. The bid will be an electronic bid (via Zoom meeting) in which the contractors submit their bid prices electronically. The Village staff will be allowed to join the bid opening if desired.

The revised project schedule is as follows:

Construction Plans Complete	February 2022
Bid Opening	March 10 th , 2022
Village Awards Project to Contractor	April 2022
Construction Begins	May 2022
Construction Complete	August 2022

Water Tower Rehabilitation

(No Change)

Due to the current funding climate, the Village is planning to see how the project scores with next year's Safe Drinking Water Loan program application. Plans and specifications would need to be submitted to the DNR (along with the SDWLP Application) by June 30, 2022.

This plan is based primarily upon KLM's indication that things were not extremely urgent (complete rehab by 2025) and the anticipation that there will be a stimulus-type Federal Infrastructure funding program rolled out this July or August and additional funds will be made available for the Safe Drinking Water Loan Program for next year's applicants. As a reminder, the water tower rehabilitation project did not score very high (Score of 74) this year. Historically, a score of 74 would not guarantee Principal Forgiveness (Grant) funding.

Therefore, with the potential of record-setting contributions to Clean Water Fund, Safe Drinking Water Loan Program, and CDBG through the Federal Infrastructure Stimulus, the Village's chances of receiving financial assistance next year are believed to be much greater and worth waiting for given the circumstances and relatively lower urgency of the water tower project. We should still plan on having design plans and specifications ready this winter so that the project can be shovel-ready and meet shovel-worthy requirements when they are made available.

ARPA Funds

The Final Rule for the ARPA funds has been published. NEU (Non-Entitlement Units) mostly non-metropolitan cities and towns can use the standard allowance for revenue loss of \$10 million. This high standard allowance is far above the ARPA funds allocated to each NEU. The standard allowance will allow recipients to de-federalize the funds and use them for government services. More information will be available soon on the reporting and standard allowance process. The first round of ARPA reporting for NEU's will begin in April 2022.

New Business:

Butch Clendenning was present to ask for the Village Board's support in moving forward in making Rib Lake an Ice Age Trail Community. As Butch moves forward with this project, he will be back to discuss his progress. We appreciate Butch's commitment to the Ice Age Trail.

The following resolution was presented to the board.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 04/2022 RESOLUTION DESIGNATING PUBLIC DEPOSITORY

RESOLVED, that the following banking institutions: NICOLET NATIONAL BANK, Medford, WI 54451 and FORWARD BANK, Medford, WI 54451 qualified as public depositories under Chapter 34 of the Wisconsin Statutes, shall be and is hereby designated until further action, as public depositories for all public moneys coming into the hands of the Treasurer of the Village of Rib Lake, Taylor County, State of Wisconsin.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that withdrawal or disbursement from the above-named depositories shall be only by order check or by online transfers, as provided in Section 66.042 of the Wisconsin Statutes; that in accordance therewith all order checks shall be signed by the following persons: Kristin Lueck, Clerk or Tammy Mann, Deputy Clerk and countersigned by William Schreiner, Village President, and shall be so honored.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that in lieu of their personal signature(s), the following facsimile signature, which have been adopted by this person as below shown: William Schreiner may be affixed on such order check(s); that any one of the above named depositories shall be fully warranted and protected in making payment on any order check bearing such facsimile(s) notwithstanding that the same may have been placed thereon without the authority of the designated person or persons.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a certified copy of this resolution shall be delivered to each of the above-named depositories and said depositories may rely on this resolution until changed by lawful resolution and a certified copy of such resolution has been given to the cashier of the respective above-named depositories.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees for the Village of Rib Lake officially adopts this resolution designating public depository.

Adopted this 9th day of February 2022

Approved: _____
William Schreiner, Village President

Attest: _____
Kristin Lueck, Village Clerk

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly and legally adopted by the Village of Rib Lake at a legal meeting held on the 9th day of February 2022.

Date: _____ Signed: _____
Village Clerk

Moved by Buksa, seconded by VanHecker to approve the Resolution #4-2022.

Motion carried.

Resolution #5-2022 for Termination of TID #1 was presented. Moved by Buksa, seconded by Jones to approve Resolution #5-2022. Motion carried.

A Memorandum of Understanding from Hawkins Ash CPAs was presented. It is a three-year agreement for auditing services. Moved by Bullis, seconded by Tesch to commit to this agreement. Motion carried.

The board discussed the garbage rates from Advanced Disposal. They have gone up from \$27.78 per quarter to \$29.25. No action required.

The board discussed the changing of locks on certain Village owned buildings. President Schreiner will connect with Tom and make sure that we have keys for all buildings.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Buksa to approve Kristin Lueck to attend the Clerks Institute virtually at a cost of \$499. Motion carried.

Consideration of movement into closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(e) deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Moved by Jones, seconded by Buksa to go into closed session. A roll call vote was taken to go into closed session with all in favor. Motion carried.

Back into open session, it was moved by Bullis, seconded by Buksa that the Village buys Aspirus' interest in the Rib Lake Clinic building for \$30,000.00, per the terms of the Agreement for Construction and Operation of a Medical Clinic Building between the Village and Aspirus from June 1997, which permitted the Village to purchase Aspirus' interest in the improvements at a discounted purchase price to reflect the Village's share of the initial costs to purchase the real estate and construct the building.

Trustee/Employee Reports:

Streets – Discussion on the future costs of doing Ella and 2nd Street.

Utilities – Trustee VanHecker stated that he asked Tom to discontinue the voluntary Covid testing.

Park, Lake, & Rec – President Schreiner read a letter that we will be sending to the DNR to approve the Fish & Game organization raising fish in Tannery Pond.

Dev., Bldgs., & Grounds – None

Fire & Recycling – Trustee Bullis said that they have paid off their equipment loan.

Library – None

Moved by Buksa, seconded by Jones to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m.
Motion carried.

Kristin Lueck, Village Clerk