

Minutes of Meeting Mar. 9, 2022

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

Visitors present were Ben Stanfley from the Taylor County Highway Dept., Lee Clendenning, Joe Desris, Ben Greiner and Emily Gojmerac of the Star News.

Moved by VanHecker, seconded by Bullis to approve the minutes of the previous meeting on February 9<sup>th</sup> as printed. Motion carried.

**TREASURERS REPORT**

Tax Account	\$149,665.28
General Fund	\$732,313.46
Water Operations Fund	\$221,848.36
Water Redemption Fund	\$ 21,985.86
Water Depreciation Fund	\$ 13,957.24
Water Equipment Replacement Fund	\$ 22,867.05
Sewer Operations Fund	\$134,912.40
Sewer Redemption Fund	\$311,506.62
Sewer Depreciation Fund	\$ 11,958.81
Sewer Equipment Replacement Fund	<u>\$207,406.40</u>
	\$1,828,421.48

General Bills Paid February 2022

Check Number

10626	Alise Swan	71.59
10627	Amy Abele	244.92
10628	Audrey Noland	106.87
10629	Benjamin Greiner	328.80
10630	Cliff Mann	117.75
10631	Danielle Fornal	711.64
10632	William Eisner	369.40
	IRS	379.12
	WI DOR	529.33
	WI Retirement	2155.36
10633	Medford Coop	174.99
10634	Cintas	163.10

10635	Superior Chemical Corp.	97.30
10636	Exxon Mobil	890.08
10637	Advanced Auto Parts	29.83
10638	Rib Lake True Value	63.54
10639	Advanced Disposal	2950.32
10640	Schmiege, Graff, & Koch	646.00
10641	Alexis Carlsen	25.00
10642	Wheelers Chevrolet of Medford	33,267.00
10643	Daniel Koehler	507.51
10644	Derek Beckstrand	1281.96
10645	Hunter Bernitt	1143.87
10646	Krista Blomberg	517.50
10647	Kristin Lueck	1158.57
10648	Tamara Blomberg	369.01
10649	Tammy Mann	163.55
10650	Thomas Olson	1194.20
10651	Cardmember Service	282.18
10652	Bellin Health	45.00
10653	Frontier	69.65
10654	Superior Chemical Corp.	362.72
10655	Advanced Auto Parts	51.69
10656	Security Health Plan	7123.68
	IRS	1828.28
10657	MSA	23,292.00
	RL Water Utility	209.71
10658	Taylor County	299.50
10659	Taylor Cty Hwy Dept.	131.67
	RL Water Utility	204.32
	RL Sewer Utility	712.28
10660	Municode	1074.15
10661	Verizon	149.21
10662	Hawkins Ash CPAs	7335.00
10663	Xcel Energy	3707.67
10664	Daniel Koehler	552.38
10665	Derek Beckstrand	1289.91

10666	Hunter Bernitt	1150.91
10667	Krista Blomberg	570.37
10668	Kristin Lueck	1206.25
10669	Tamara Blomberg	379.19
10670	Thomas Olson	1201.42
10671	Taylor County Treasurer	234.55
10672	Taylor Cty Hwy Dept.	137.07
10673	Kristin Lueck	268.38
	IRS	1828.72
	RL Water Utility	30.23
	RL Sewer Utility	56.33

General Receipts February 2022

Receipt Number

8411	Tanya Hartl	75.00
8412	Jerilyn Taylor	120.00
8413	Rib Waters Inn	340.06
8414	Customer Accts.	184.84
8415	Squad CD	16,652.84
8416	Customer Accts.	209.71
8417	Customers	325.00
8418	School District of Rib Lake	914.83
8419	Forward Bank	23,000.00
8420	Camp 28	723.16
8421	Silver Creek Sportsman Club	10.00
8422	Camp 28	1214.57
8423	Customer Accts	972.72
8424	Rib Lake Homes LLC	170.00
8425	Customers	71.80
8426	Sam Butler	75.00
8427	Mad City Home Improvements	35.00
8428	Sue Petersen	234.55
8429	Customers	98.72
8430	Randy Thums	10.00
8431	Pam Weinzatl	120.00
8432	Customers	356.77

Water Bills Paid February 2022

Check Number

9001	AgSource	130.00
9002	Xcel Energy	967.29
9003	Medford Coop	188.09
9004	Hawkins Ash CPAs	4070.00

Water Receipts February 2022

Receipt Number

1893	Customer Accts	541.56
1894	Customers	209.71
1895	Customer Accts	204.32
1896	Customer Accts	729.41
1897	Customer Accts	30.23
1898	Customer Accts	731.97

Sewer Bills Paid February 2022

Check Number

5253	Rib Lake True Value	8.99
	Sewer Equipment Replacement Fund	31,537.00
	Sewer Redemption	16,710.00
5254	AgSource	1227.00
5255	Softline Date, Inc.	36.45
5256	ESRI	1000.00
	Wire transfer fee	15.00
5257	Xcel Energy	2489.42
5258	Verizon	139.39
5259	Hawkins Ash CPAs	3325.00

Sewer Receipts February 2022

Receipt Number

1714	Black River Transport	2219.62
1715	Customer Accts.	1199.83
1716	Clean Water Fund	45.00
1717	Customers Accts.	712.28
1718	Customers Accts.	2208.02
1719	Customers Accts.	56.33

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

Chief Beckstrand presented his monthly police report. The new squad is in commission and Chief Beckstrand has been using it for a week. The old squad is ready to go up for auction.

Old Business:

Phil Kriesel of MSA sent the following update.

#### MCCOMB AVENUE / LANDALL AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

MSA has completed the construction plans and specifications for the McComb Avenue/Landall Avenue Reconstruction Project. The environmental review has also been completed for the Community Development Block Grant. The plans are currently available on QuestCDN for contractors to purchase. MSA has recently called contractors to notify them about the project. 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. Village staff has been emailed an invite to the bid opening. The engineers estimate for construction is \$997,345.00. Once the bid opening is completed, MSA will review the bids and make a recommendation of award. Below is an updated schedule for the project.

Bid Opening	March 10th 2022
Village Awards Project to Contractor	April 2022
Construction Begins	May 2022
Construction Complete - Substantial	August 5, 2022
Construction Complete - Final	August 31, 2022

#### WWTF IMPROVEMENTS – SLUDGE STORAGE TANK

This project is closed out. The Village has recently received their last disbursement from WDNR.

#### WATER TOWER REHABILITATION (No Change from Last Month)

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 (No Change from Last Month)

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:

Ben Stanfley was available to present the board with the final drawings for the County Shop. The new shop has been approved by the County Board. The shop bid was won by Huotari Construction and the storage shed bid was won by Greystone Construction. There will only be one storage shed built as opposed to the two sheds that was originally presented. Ben explained all of the processes that will be taken to prevent any contaminations into our groundwater.

Lee Clendenning returned to further discuss the Ice Age Trail Alliance membership which will make the Village an Ice Age Trail Community and the advantages that come with the membership. Moved by Buksa, seconded by Jones to invest \$2500 to become members of the Ice Age Trail Alliance. Motion carried.

Trustee Mann discussed with the board a possible donation to the Library Picnic Shelter to help with the cost of the electrical. This was tabled until the next meeting in order to get some more information.

President Schreiner mentioned the need for furnace replacements at Village Hall. The board received a quote from Ziembo Plumbing & Heating. Clerk Lueck was asked to get another quote before the next meeting so the board can make a decision then.

The board discussed a letter from the DNR relating to voluntary sampling for PFAs. Moved by VanHecker seconded by Bullis to have Dan Koehler sign up to begin the sampling. 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 Buksa, seconded by Jones 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, there were no motions made.

#### Trustee/Employee Reports:

Streets – Due to the increase in oil prices, we are unable to get a quote for 2<sup>nd</sup> and Ella streets. VanHecker will keep checking with Tom to get a quote for these streets so the board can figure out when they will be getting redone.

Utilities – The next order for the radio-controlled meter devices has been placed.

There is no delivery date available for the first order.

Park, Lake, & Rec – None

Dev., Bldgs., & Grounds – None

Fire & Recycling – None

Library – None

Moved by Mann, seconded by Tesch to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Motion carried.

Kristin Lueck, Village Clerk