

**Village of North Hudson
Regular Board of Trustees Meeting
Tuesday, March 7, 2017 @ 7:00 P.M.
Village Hall, 400 7th Street North
Hudson, WI 54016**

Minutes

Call to order; Invocation; roll call

President Stan Wekin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Invocation read by Wekin. Answering the call were Trustees Nelson, O'Brien-Berglund, Pike, Zais, and Zappa. A quorum was present and the meeting had been duly noticed. It was noted that Trustee Head was absent. Also in attendance were the Police Chief, Mark Richert; Village Engineer, Kevin Oium; Public Works Director, Patrick Moos; Village Attorney, Terry Dunst; Village Administrator, Gloria Troester; and Village Clerk, Melissa Luedke.

Approval of the minutes: Regular Board Meeting of February 7, 2017 and Special Board Meeting of February 16, 2017

Motion (O'Brien-Berglund/Pike) to approve the Regular Board minutes of February 7, 2017 and Special Board Meeting of February 16, 2017. Motion carried.

Comments from the floor

Jim Thomas from 1140 Riverside Drive was present to discuss the Willow River Dam. Thomas thanked the Board for partnering with other municipalities for funding of the USGS gage testing station. Thomas reviewed a handout which he provided to the Board which talks about the additional funding that was received from the state for the repair/replacement of the dam. Thomas stated he was unable to provide regular updates to the Board. When the USGS sends out reports, they send an unedited version which are not released to the public. He did not get the USGS report from the Department of Interior until late February 2017. It looks like there is now enough funding to rebuild the dam. However, Thomas stated that there is a maximum of \$750 needed for the next 4 years for a total of \$3000 from partnering municipalities to continue funding the testing station until the year 2020. Thomas requested to be put on the next Village Board agenda to discuss his request for additional funding from the Village of North Hudson.

Bryce Thorpe from 232 Sommers Landing Rd N was present to discuss the proposed Ordinance 01-2017, which amends Chapter 74, Parks and Recreation. He wanted to encourage the Village Board to adopt the proposed ordinance.

Todd Hentges from 718 Deer Path Rd N was present. He wanted to introduce himself to the community. He is running for the office of Village Trustee and his name will appear on the April 4, 2017 ballot.

Cathy Leaf from 1016 Willow River Rd N was present. She is also running for Village Trustee and her name will appear on the April 4, 2017 ballot.

Reschedule April Village Board Meeting Due to Spring Election

Motion (Zappa/O'Brien-Berglund) to reschedule the April 4, 2017 Village Board meeting to March 28, 2017. The April Finance Committee meeting will also be moved to this date.
Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2017-01, Loan from Citizens State Bank for Purchase of Public Works Truck and Catch Basin Project

Motion (Pike/Nelson) to approve Resolution 2017-01, Loan from Citizens State Bank for Purchase of Public Works Truck and Catch Basin Project. Motion passed on a roll call vote of 6-0. Zais-yes, O'Brien-Berglund-yes, Zappa-yes, Wekkin-yes, Pike-yes, Nelson-yes.

Adoption of Ordinance 01-2017, Amending Chapter 74, Parks and Recreation, Sec. 74-2, Ferry Landing Park and Beach Restrictions.

Motion (O'Brien-Berglund/Pike) to approve to adopt Ordinance 01-2017, Amending Chapter 74, Parks and Recreation, Sec. 74-2, Ferry Landing Park and Beach Restrictions. O'Brien-Berglund thanked the Park Board, Chief Richert, the DNR, St. Croix County Sheriff Department, Terry Dunst, and his associate, for help putting the Ordinance together so quickly. Wekkin also thanked the Park Board for their hard work and the residents for their patience. Per the Ordinance, the swim area will be determined by the Park Board as needed. It may need to be adjusted through the season. **Motion passed on a roll call vote of 6-0. Nelson-yes, Pike-yes, Wekkin-yes, Zappa-yes, O'Brien-Berglund-yes, Zais-yes.**

New Business from the Board or staff

President's Remarks: Wekkin wished everyone a happy and safe St. Patrick's Day.

Administrator's Remarks: Troester stated that the auditors will be here April 25 & April 26th, 2017. It usually only last a couple days.

Village Clerk's Remarks: Luedke stated that the Spring Election is on Tuesday, April 4, 2017. Polls will be open from 7:00 am-8:00 pm. In-person absentee voting will begin on Monday, March 20th and will end on Friday, March 31st. Also, a reminder that photo ID is required to vote a ballot.

Plan Commission

Chair update: Dunst stated that Plan Commission did meet. The Plan Commission discussed updating the Comprehensive Plan. The current plan is over 10 years old. There was also a concept plan presented for a new development off of Bluebird Ct N. Oium stated that the development will be about 8 lots, there will be a street extension, and water and sewer improvements. The next step is for the developer to file a preliminary plat.

Personnel and Finance Committee recommendations

Claims - Review and recommendation: **Motion (O'Brien-Berglund/Zappa) to approve the March 2017 non-recurring claims of \$9,221.25. Motion passed on a roll call vote of 6-0. Zais-yes, O'Brien-Berglund-yes, Zappa-yes, Wekkin-yes, Pike-yes, Nelson-yes.**

Fire Contract: Wekkin stated that this was discussed at the Finance Committee and there were some questions that still need to be answered before approval of the Fire Contract and purchase of a new ladder truck.

Request from Hudson Fire Department to Purchase Ladder Truck: This item will be heard at a future meeting.

Public Works Committee

Chair update: Pike stated that Public Works did meet but there were no actionable items. Also, Pike stated that the Public Works Director wanted to remind residents not to blow leaves into the streets and catch basins.

Public Safety Committee

Chair update: Zappa stated that Public Safety did meet but there were no actionable items.

Public Welfare

Chair update: Public Welfare did not meet.

Park Board

Chair update: The Park Board did meet and the one actionable item, adoption of Ordinance 01-2017, has already been addressed.

Convene into Closed Session

Motion (Pike/O'Brien-Berglund) to convene into closed session pursuant to §19.85(1)(e) to deliberate or negotiate the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, with respect to the water and sewer utility feasibility study proposal. Motion passed on a roll on a roll call vote of 6-0. Nelson-yes, Pike-yes, Wekkin-yes, Zappa-yes, O'Brien-Berglund-yes, Zais-yes. The Board convened into closed session at 7:30 pm.

Motion (O'Brien-Berglund/Pike) to convene into closed session pursuant to §19.85(1)(e) to deliberate or negotiate the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, with respect to the possible purchase of the Municipal Garage from Zappa Development LLP. Motion passed on a roll call vote of 5-0. Zais-yes, O'Brien-Berglund-yes, Wekkin-yes, Pike-yes, Nelson-yes. Zappa abstained. The Board convened into closed session at 7:30 pm.

Reconvene into Open Session

Motion (Wekkin/Pike) to reconvene into open session. Motion carried. The Board reconvened into open session at 8:25 pm.

Discussion and possible action based on closed session-Water and sewer utility feasibility study proposal: Motion (Pike/O'Brien-Berglund) to authorize the Village President to enter into an agreement with Ruckert-Mielke to perform a Water and Sewer Feasibility Study with the cost of the study being split equally between the City of Hudson and the Village of North Hudson. Further authorize that the payment of \$6,974 for the Village's portion be equally expensed between the 220 Water Fund and the 210 Sewer Fund. Motion

passed on a roll call vote of 5-0. Nelson-yes, Pike-yes, Weekin-yes, O'Brien-Berglund-yes, Zais-yes.

Discussion and possible action based on closed session-Possible purchase of Municipal Garage from Zappa Development LLP: No action or further discussion.

Adjournment

Wekkin declared the meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Melissa Luedke
Village Clerk