

**Village of North Hudson
Regular Board of Trustees Meeting
Tuesday, August 1, 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 7:04 p.m. Invocation read by Wekin. Answering the call were Trustees Leaf, Nelson, 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; and Village Administrator/Clerk, Melissa Luedke.

Approval of the minutes: Regular Board Meeting of June 27, 2017

Motion (Pike/Zappa) to approve the Regular Board minutes of June 27, 2017. Motion carried.

Comments from the floor

No comments from the floor.

Citizen Recognition by Police Chief Mark Richert

Chief Richert spoke regarding the lifesaving actions of Chase Meyer during a recent fire in North Hudson on June 22, 2017. Meyer was driving home from work when he observed black smoke coming from the garage door of a home at 501 4th Street N. He quickly asked a passerby to call 911 and began knocking on the door of the adjoining residence at 503 4th Street N to alert the residents of the fire at the opposite side of their duplex. He then began knocking on the door of 501 4th Street N until two (2) juveniles answered. They were not aware of the developing fire in the garage. Officers from the North Hudson Police Department and Personnel from the Hudson Fire Department responded and the seen was taken care of. Richert noted that eight (8) minutes after the 911 call, the St. Croix County Emergency Communications Center received a phone call from the alarm company reporting a fire alarm at 501 4th Street N. Richert stated that eight (8) minutes is a long time in a fire situation. Police Chief Richert and Fire Chief Scott St. Martin wanted to recognize Chase Meyer for his quick action and observation on June 22, 2017 and how he protected life and property. Meyer was presented with a Certificate of Recognition for his outstanding actions. Chief Richert stated that Officer Moody who was on the scene, along with other residents, wanted to recognize the actions of Chase Meyer. The homeowner spoke and gave her appreciation for Meyer's actions and thanked him. There were a number of residents also in attendance in support of Meyer.

Resolution 2017-06, Requesting Exemption from County Library Tax

Motion (Zappa/Leaf) to approve Resolution 2017-06, Requesting Exemption from the County Library Tax. Motion carried.

New Business from the Board or staff

President's Remarks: Wekkin reminded everyone that Pepper Fest will be on August 18-20, 2017. If you would like to volunteer to set-up, contact the Pepper Fest committee. Also, students in the Hudson School District start school on August 16, 2017 this year. Please pay attention and watch for the children.

Administrator/Clerk's Remarks: Luedke stated that budget time has started. The operating budget timeline has been passed out to the Department Heads and the committee chairs. Projected year end numbers and 2018 requested budget numbers should be turned in by the end of August. Budget meetings may begin the end of September or early October.

Plan Commission

Chair update: Chair Miser is not in attendance. Plan Commission did meet and recommended approval of the Whispering Oaks, Extraterritorial subdivision Phase III Final Plat.

Whispering Oaks, Extraterritorial Subdivision Phase III Final Plat: Jeff Warren with NWP Holdings, LLC was present. Phases I and II are completed and they are asking for approval for Phase III final plat. This subdivision is located in the Town of Hudson and they are reviewing the item at their meeting tonight. The Village of North Hudson Plan Commission recommended approval at their last meeting. Oium has reviewed the final plat and stated that it does meet all requirements.

Motion (Zappa/Nelson) to approve the Final Plat of Whispering Oaks-Phase III, an extraterritorial subdivision located in the Town of Hudson, applicant John Parotti, NWP Holdings, LLC with the following condition:

- 1) **The developer must provide the Village of North Hudson with a signed, recorded copy of the Final Plat.**

The developer is hereby notified that Village approval does not constitute approval by the Town of Hudson, the St. Croix County Planning and Zoning Department, or any other reviewing authority. Motion carried.

Personnel and Finance Committee recommendations

Claims - Review and recommendation: **Motion (Zappa/Leaf) to approve the August 2017 non-recurring claims of \$161,872.05. Motion passed on a roll call vote of 6-0. Nelson-yes, Pike-yes, Wekkin-yes, Zappa-yes, Zais-yes, Leaf-yes.**

Authorization for Village Administrator to withdraw funds from the LGIP sewer maintenance account and transfer to the 201 fund: **Motion (Pike/Leaf) to authorize the Village Administrator to withdraw \$30,000 from the LGIP sewer maintenance savings account and transfer to the 201 Fund.** Luedke stated that due to the number of lift station repairs in 2016 and 2017, the savings for the 201 Fund is at a deficit. Moving money from the LGIP sewer maintenance savings account, which is used for repair and maintenance of the lift stations, would make that account positive. **Motion passed on a roll call vote of 6-0. Leaf-yes, Zais-yes, Zappa-yes, Wekkin-yes, Pike-yes, Nelson-yes.**

WPPA Union Contract: Wekkin announced that union negotiations are open. **Motion (Zappa/Leaf) to authorize Village officials to negotiate WPPA Union Contract. Motion carried.**

Authorization for Public Welfare Committee to begin the Request for Proposal process for Garbage/Recycling Services: **Motion (Zappa/Leaf) to authorize the Public Welfare**

Committee to begin the Request for Proposal process for Garbage/Recycling Services. Motion carried.

Public Works Committee

Chair update: Pike stated that Public Works did meet and there were three (3) actionable items to bring forward for approval.

Seal Coating of Village Streets: **Motion (Pike/Leaf) to approve the use of St. Croix County Highway Department for seal coating of Village streets in an amount not to exceed \$20,000. Motion passed on a roll call vote of 6-0. Leaf-yes, Zais-yes, Zappa-yes, Wekkin-yes, Pike-yes, Nelson-yes.**

Hot Patching of Village Streets: **Motion (Pike/Leaf) to approve having St. Croix County spray patch Village streets at a cost not to exceed \$15,000. Motion passed on a roll call vote of 6-0. Nelson-yes, Pike-yes, Wekkin-yes, Zappa-yes, Zais-yes, Leaf-yes.**

Wisconsin Hwy 35 Project-cost sharing items: Wekkin stated that this item failed at the Finance Committee. **Motion (Pike/Leaf) to approve the following Wisconsin Hwy 35 Project cost sharing items; landscaping for approximately 30 new trees in an amount of \$3,300, and new sidewalk from Michaelson Street N to Sommer Street N in an amount of \$10,000 for a total Village cost share of \$13,300.** This project is slated for 2021. This is part of the planning process. The 36 new street lights were not recommended for approval by Public Works. Wekkin stated that the new sidewalk was the issue in Finance. Leaf asked about the estimated cost for sidewalk replacement in some areas. Oium stated that where the existing sidewalk needs to be replaced due to water and sewer work, it will be 100% Village cost. Pike stated that due to his experience with family members in wheel chairs and the statistics of roadside incidents, he is in favor of the new sidewalk. New guidelines for sidewalks is a width of 5 feet. **Motion passed on a roll call vote of 4-2. Nelson-yes, Pike-yes, Wekkin-no, Zappa-no, Zais-yes, Leaf-yes.**

Public Safety Committee

Chair update: Zappa stated that Public Safety did meet and there was one actionable item for approval.

Radio Software and Hardware Purchase for Digital Channel Upgrade: **Motion (Zappa/Leaf) to authorize the purchase and installation of one (1) digital ready radio for installation in the police department and installation of the digital software into the current mobile and portable Motorola radios by Ancom Communications in an amount not to exceed \$13,500 to be allocated from the undesignated fund. Motion passed on a roll call vote of 6-0. Leaf-yes, Zais-yes, Zappa-yes, Wekkin-yes, Pike-yes, Nelson-yes.**

Public Welfare

Chair update: Public Welfare did not meet.

Park Board

Chair update: Park Board did meet but there were no actionable items.

Convene into Closed Session

Motion (Leaf/Nelson) 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 water and sewer ad hoc committee updates and possibly combining all water and sewer system components with the City of Hudson. Motion carried.

The board convened into closed session at 7:40 p.m.

Reconvene into Open Session

Motion (Zappa/Zais) to reconvene into open session. Motion carried. The board reconvened into open session at 8:13 p.m.

Discussion and possible action based on closed session-water and sewer ad hoc committee updates and possibly combining all water and sewer system components with the City of Hudson: No further discussion or action taken.

Adjournment

Wekkin declared the meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Melissa Luedke
Village Clerk