

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Oakfield Village Board
Oakfield Community Center
130 N. Main Street Oakfield, WI 53065
Wednesday, January 14, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Collien.

Roll call found the following trustees present: Chris Cook, Tim Stoppleworth, Dan Redman, Al Kamenski, Dennis Steinke, Jim Eckberg, and Gary Collien. Also in attendance: Tony O'Malley, Everett O'Malley, Ron Engel, Tracy Sabel, Glen Perry and Miriam Thomas.

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion: Tim Stoppleworth/Al Kamenski to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the December 9, 2014 meeting and accept them as written. Motion carried 7-0.

Fire Department: Chief Ron Engel stated that the fire department agreement with the Towns of Oakfield and Byron were resigned for another 10 years with no changes from the previous agreements.

Last week Ron Engel was re-elected as fire chief at the fire department for 2015. Andy Collien was re-elected as 1st assistant and Bill Rusch was elected as 2nd assistant.

Motion: Gary Collien/Al Kamenski to elect Ron Engel as fire chief for the village for 2015. Motion carried 7-0. Ron explained what the RIT (Rapid Intervention Team) Team was and the benefits of this program. It is essentially a series of tactics designed for fire rescue situations involving a fallen firefighter. He also talked about a grant that was received in 2014 for new Self Contained Breathing Apparatus which will replace old equipment. A grant has been submitted for a new fire engine as well.

Resolution 2015-1: **Motion:** Al Kamenski, seconded by Dennis Steinke, to transfer the remainder of the 2014 fire department budget, in the amount of \$1,951.80, to the equipment replacement fund. Motion carried 7-0.

Public Works:

Water System: Dan explained that the bolts on the valves near Well #5 were rusted through again and have been replaced with stainless steel bolts. It was questioned why the original bolts were installed versus stainless steel and per the engineer at the time everything was done according to the spec sheet. MCO checked the rest of the valves on the line and no more leaks were discovered at this time.

There was a water main break near East Church and Second Streets last month which was fixed.

The meters at the wells were tested and results weren't favorable so collars were added to improve accuracy. Well #2 meter was off a considerable amount and Well #5 was within an acceptable range.

Dan Immel from Lakeview Electric was at the Elm Street booster station to fix the main breaker.

MCO is continuing to work with the village to identify more sources of water loss.

Sewer System: The treatment plant has no issues at this time. There is an issue with one sprocket on the clarifier and Dan will take a look at it before calling Lee's Fabricating.

A private sewer lateral was replaced on First Street last month and during the replacement it was discovered that the village's portion of the lateral had a sizeable sag in the line. The homeowner's portion had some root blockage. The sump pump running caused the clear water to back up into the homeowner's basement. There is also an illegal connection to the sanitary sewer from the home. A letter explaining the violation and steps needed for correction was sent last month giving thirty days to correct the problem.

Don Voogt is almost finished reviewing the tapes from Great Lakes regarding the sewer lateral televising. As soon as the report is received it will be distributed and a board meeting scheduled prior to the public hearing.

Human Resources: The committee has discussed some objectives for 2015. The one of highest importance is to restructure public works employees. Other objectives include finishing the employee handbook, fill the vacancy on the committee and revisit possible part time employee benefits.

New Business: Office staff asked to see if there were any objections to installing a hanging wall file in the office. There were none.

Adjourn:

Motion: Dennis Steinke, seconded by Al Kamenski to adjourn at 7:36 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Miriam Thomas, Clerk/Treasurer