

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Oakfield Village Board
Oakfield Community Center
130 N. Main Street Oakfield, WI 53065
Wednesday September 14, 2016 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 Stopplesworth, Dan Redman, Julie Franke, Dennis Steinke, Jim Eckberg, and Gary Collien. Also in attendance: Jeff Mies, Sam Kaufman, Bob Simon, Joe DeYoung, Jeff Thelen, Miriam Thomas and Lauren Prochnow.

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion: Tim Stopplesworth, seconded by Jim Eckberg, to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the August 10, 2016 regular board meeting and accept them as written. Motion carried 7-0.

Sam Kaufman & Bob Simon: County districts 7 and 8 representatives provided the board with information from the County Board of Supervisors recent meetings. They discussed a wheel tax, which is not likely to happen in Fond du Lac County. A meeting is being held on September 29, 2016 at the county fairgrounds regarding transportation funding in the state and municipal representatives are encouraged to attend. Sam Kaufman also discussed a potential merger between the Fond du Lac Area of Commerce and the Fond du Lac County Economic Development Corporation which he is concerned about as it could lead to a corporation centered on one city.

Plan Commission: A meeting was held earlier in the evening to approve the Project Plans for the Amendments of Tax Incremental Finance Districts 1 and 2. The Project Plan Amendment for TID 1 includes allocating revenue to TID 2 to help pay off that TID. Both plan amendments include extending the life of each TID by three years. These resolutions were passed by the Plan Commission and were presented to the board for approval.

Motion: Jim Eckberg, seconded by Dennis Steinke, to approve Resolution 2016-7 for the Project Plan for the Amendment of Tax Incremental Finance District No. 1. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion: Dennis Steinke, seconded by Jim Eckberg, to approve Resolution 2016-8 for the Project Plan for the Amendment of Tax Incremental Finance District No. 2. Motion carried 7-0.

A copy of each resolution can be viewed at the Village Office during regular business hours.

Public Works:

Sewer lateral project: Joe DeYoung presented the results from the bidding for the first phase of the sewer lateral project. Prices showed that pipe bursting is a cheaper option than open cutting. This is also a less invasive option. There was discussion about the potential cost to the Village based on current ordinances. The current ordinance will be reviewed by an attorney and revisited at the October board meeting for possible revision.

Water system: Nothing new to report. The water tower has been operating normally.

Sewer system: No bypassing occurred during the most recent rainfall. This was communicated with Mark Stanek from the Department of Natural Resources.

Bank loan: The bank loan for the sewer lateral project was discussed.

Motion: Tim Stopplesworth, seconded by Julie Franke, to approve Resolution 2016-9 regarding approval of a \$100,000.00 loan through the Bank of Oakfield. Motion carried 7-0.

Simple Rate Increase: The annual 3% water rate increase recommended by the auditor was discussed. The simple rate increase includes a 3% increase for fire protection as well.

Motion: Dennis Steinke, seconded by Julie Franke, to apply for a Simple Rate Water increase effective January 1, 2017. Motion carried 7-0.

New Business:

Operator's license:

Motion: Gary Collien, seconded by Julie Franke, to approve an operator's license for Christopher Sutton. Motion carried 7-0.

Capital Improvement Plan: The current Capital Improvement Plan was handed out. Board members were asked to review the items currently on the plan and let the Office know of any updates. The Plan will be reviewed at a future meeting.

Village legal counsel: Marty De Vries has been appointed as a judge for Dodge County and can no longer serve as attorney for the Village. Gary has several contacts in mind. With the upcoming projects, an attorney needs to be selected in the near future.

2017 Budget: Budget sheets for 2017 were handed out. Committees were asked to hold meetings if necessary to complete budget sheets as soon as possible.

Newsletter articles: The third quarter newsletter will be out in a few weeks. Any articles will need to be submitted as soon as possible.

Motion: Dennis Steinke, seconded by Jim Eckberg, to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Miriam Thomas, Clerk/Treasurer