

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Oakfield Village Board  
Oakfield Community Center  
130 N. Main Street Oakfield, WI 53065  
Wednesday July 12, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

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

Roll call found the following trustees present: Tim Stoppleworth, Dan Redman, Julie Franke, Jody Marcoe, Jim Eckberg, and Dennis Steinke. Chris Cook was absent. Also in attendance: Renee Schuster and Miriam Thomas. Ron Engel arrived at 7:50 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

**Motion:** Tim Stoppleworth, seconded by Julie Franke, to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the June 14, 2017 regular board meeting and accept them as written. Motion carried 6-0.

**Public Comments:** The Clerk read an update from Sam Kaufman regarding the merger between the Fond du Lac County Economic Development Corporation and the Fond du Lac Area Chamber of Commerce. There was also an update about the Retlaw hotel renovations beginning in July and the Schley's Ledgeview Dam issue in the Town of Oakfield.

Jim Eckberg brought up possibly purchasing an AED for the community center building. They cost approximately \$3,500.00 but there may be grants available. Sharon Belling from the library will be assisting with possibly obtaining a grant.

Dan Redman informed the board that trees from the tree farm will be planted at Village Park.

Julie Franke informed the board that the tennis courts are finished, however, the nets that were ordered last year do not fit so Gary Collien is working with Beacon to get the correct size.

Ron Engel told the board about the final soil testing results which were in line with what he reported on last month. He will report the findings to the DNR because it will be required eventually. The soil can be accepted at the landfill but he does not have an actual price on the cost of disposing it yet. Ron also said he would like to be at the pre-construction meeting to go over a few safety issues when the area is excavated.

**Public Safety:** Chief Schuster said approximately 119 migrants are in town at Seneca for the summer and about 70 more are coming next week.

There are no other major issues going on in town besides problems with residents taking care of weeds and junk vehicles. Chief Schuster did suggest possibly rewriting the ordinances to make certain issues more enforceable.

Celebrate Oakfield had no problems.

Chief Schuster may be retiring from the county by the end of the month.

**Public Works:**

**Water system:** A new representative from the DNR will be inspecting the booster stations and wells in the next couple of weeks. MCO will be cleaning up those areas and gathering the documents that are required for inspection.

**Well #5 road:** Fond du Lac County has started hauling gravel to the road to Well #5.

**Sewer system:** Phosphorous limits will be on the next permit. There will be an interim limit that MCO feels the village will have no problem meeting the interim limit. The final limit is still being worked out between the DNR and MCO. There has been no bypassing at the treatment plant this year.

**Human Resources:** Lornie will be retiring at the end of the month. The Human Resources Committee decided to post an ad for his job. Hours would be 25 hours per week and starting pay between \$12.50 and \$14.00.

**New Business:**

**Donation for Car Show:** Dennis Steinke said the Car Show is again requesting the Village to make a donation and pay for the entertainment and advertising for the Car Show through Radio Plus.

**Motion:** Jim Eckberg, seconded by Dan Redman, to pay \$420.00 for advertising for the 2017 Car Show. Motion carried 6-0.

**Mailbox for Historical Society:** Lori De Haan had asked if the Historical Society could use a mailbox in the hallway of the lobby for things people drop off outside of library hours. There was no opposition from the board.

**Electronic payments:** Miriam presented information about using Point & Pay for electronic payments for utility bills and tax collection. An increasing number of residents have been asking about paying electronically and have said they wouldn't mind paying a fee to do so. There is no cost to the village to obtain equipment and training for the software and hardware. The initial term is for three years but there are no penalties for low or no usage.

**Motion:** Dennis Steinke, seconded by Tim Stopplesworth, to use Point & Pay for electronic payments for utilities and taxes. Motion carried 6-0.

**Operator's license:**

**Motion:** Dennis Steinke, seconded by Dan Redman, to approve an operator's license for Tammy Anderson. Motion carried 5-0. Julie Franke abstained.

**Resolution 2017-11:** The final resolution for the sewer lateral project was presented.

**Motion:** Dennis Steinke, seconded by Dan Redman, to approve Resolution 2017-11. Motion carried 6-0. A copy of this resolution can be viewed at the Village Office during regular business hours.

**Resolution 2017-12:** The preliminary resolution for the White Street road project was presented.

**Motion:** Julie Franke, seconded by Dan Redman, to approve Resolution 2017-12. Motion carried 6-0. A copy of this resolution can be viewed at the Village Office during regular business hours.

**Ordinance 2017-01:** A change to the payment plan for special assessments was presented. In the clerk's discussion with the village attorney, a change to the wording for when a payment is missed and when interest starts in certain situations is being proposed.

**Motion:** Jim Eckberg, seconded by Dan Redman, to approve Ordinance 2017-01. Motion carried 6-0. A copy of the ordinance can be viewed at the Village Office during regular business hours.

**Motion:** Jim Eckberg, seconded by Julie Franke, to adjourn at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Miriam Thomas, Clerk/Treasurer