

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Oakfield Village Board  
Oakfield Community Center  
130 N. Main Street Oakfield, WI 53065  
Wednesday October 10, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by President Steinke.

Roll call found the following trustees present: Chris Cook, Tim Stoppleworth, Dan Redman, Julie Franke, Jody Marcoe, Jim Eckberg, and Dennis Steinke. Also in attendance: Bill Rusch, Brian Foster, Jeremy Kautzer, Renee Schuster, Sam Kaufman, Trish Nau, Gary Collien, Miriam Thomas, and Lauren Prochnow.

Pledge of Allegiance

**Motion:** Tim Stoppleworth, seconded by Jody Marcoe, to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the September 13, 2018 regular board meeting. Motion carried 7-0.

**Public Comments:** None

**Sam Kaufman:** The medical marijuana referendum will not be on the ballot despite pressure from some organizations. Mr. Kaufman believes this is a state and federal issue, not something that should be dealt with locally. The Fond du Lac County budget meeting is scheduled for October 16<sup>th</sup>.

The county sales tax sunsets in 2021 and it will most likely be renewed. The county board has been discussing whether or not to portion revenues from the sales tax out to municipalities.

**Parks:** Trish Nau from the East Central Wisconsin Planning Commission presented the draft for the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan that she has been working on with the Parks Committee. A survey was conducted over the summer to receive resident input on the condition and needs of the parks and recreation areas within the Village to provide a guideline for future improvements and programming. The draft will be published online and a resolution for approval presented at the November board meeting.

**Fire Department:** Fire Chief Brian Foster and Bill Rusch presented the proposed fire department budget for 2019. There is no proposed change on the bottom line of the budget. The department is looking at obtaining a loan for \$370,000.00 for the purchase of the new fire truck and using the \$205,000.00 that is currently saved to offset total cost for the truck.

**Public Safety:** Interviews were held for candidates for part-time patrol officers. Keith Hellwig, Tony Liebenow and Mike Norton were all interviewed and the Public Safety Committee suggested hiring all three. The overall hours budgeted for the police department would not increase, there would simply be more individuals available to cover the hours.

**Public Works:**

**Well #5:** Everything has been ordered for the repairs on the well. The pipe is being downsized from ten inches to six inches. This does not require DNR approval. Repairs are scheduled for the week of October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Sewer rate increase:** Miriam provided information for 3 percent and 5 percent sewer rate increases.

**Motion:** Dennis Steinke, seconded by Chris Cook, to apply a 5 percent sewer rate increase effective January 1, 2019.

**Human Resources:** No applications were received for a fall lawn mower. There was discussion about the wage for the seasonal lawn mowers and the board felt it should be higher for 2019 than what is currently offered.

The committee also discussed a staffing plan for Public Works and the need for another full time employee to shadow Earl. This person would need to be offered health insurance so Nolan Insurance put together a fictional family to obtain a sample group rate, which was around \$32,000.00 for both employees. Employees would be required to contribute a certain percentage toward their health insurance. The committee will be looking into how another full time person would impact the overall budget and whether there would still be a need for seasonal employees with another full time employee. Employee reviews have been handed out and supervisors will be meeting to go over them with all regular employees. Chief Schuster would like to increase police officer wages in 2019 as well.

**New Business:**

**Lakeside Municipal Court Agreement:** The updated agreement was drafted as Rosendale will be withdrawing from the court system in May 2019.

**Motion:** Jim Eckberg, seconded by Jody Marcoe, to approve the Lakeside Municipal Court agreement. Motion carried 7-0.

**Ordinance 2018-4:** The ordinance was updated to reflect the updated agreement with Lakeside Municipal Court.

**Motion:** Dennis Steinke, seconded by Dan Redman, to approve Ordinance 2018-4, regarding updating the municipal court ordinance. Motion carried 7-0.

**Motion:** Jim Eckberg, seconded by Tim Stopplesworth, to adjourn at 8:54 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,  
Miriam Thomas, Clerk/Treasurer