

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Oakfield Village Board
Oakfield Community Center
130 N. Main Street Oakfield, WI 53065
Wednesday, October 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, Julie Franke, Dennis Steinke, Jim Eckberg, and Gary Collien. Also in attendance: Greg Deer, Al Kamenski, Jeff Mies and Miriam Thomas.

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion: Julie Franke, seconded by Tim Stoppleworth, to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the September 9, 2015 regular board meeting and accept them as written. Motion carried 7-0.

Public Comments: Greg Deer presented information on a speaker system to replace the current handheld system used for the Memorial Day service at the cemetery. The board would like to see a headset microphone purchased as well. Greg is going to check to see if the proposed system has the capability to add another speaker.

Trick-or-Treating in the Village will be on Saturday, October 31st from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Annual Costume Contest will be in the Elementary School Gym from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Public Works: An informal meeting was held with Joe DeYoung from MSA on October 12th regarding possible funding for upcoming street projects. The Village's LMI (Low to Moderate Income) is at 26, which is a low number when looking for grant funding for projects. Mr. DeYoung suggested the Village fill out an online application to find out exactly where the Village would rank in a list of potential projects to be funded throughout the state. MSA would fill out the application on behalf of the Village.

Motion: Dan Redman, seconded by Tim Stoppleworth, to have MSA apply online for a ranking on behalf of the Village. Motion carried 7-0.

Discussion turned to whether the Village should hire MSA to engineer the streets projects but that decision was tabled to allow board members to contact other communities to discuss their experience with the company.

Parks: Darold Collien turned in his letter of resignation on October 1st. A Park Board meeting will be held next Tuesday and will include discussion on hiring a new parks director.

Human Resources: The Human Resources committee has been looking at ways to improve snow cleanup and reduce comp time/overtime over the winter months and made a recommendation to hire Mike Fisher as a seasonal snow plow operator at \$14.00 per hour. Mr. Fisher has previous experience with driving the county trucks the Village plans on purchasing and already has a CDL.

Motion: Jim Eckberg, seconded by Dan Redman, to hire Mike Fisher as a seasonal operator at \$14.00 per hour to plow snow. Motion carried 6-0. Gary Collien abstained.

The Human Resources committee plans on updating job descriptions in the near future and adding one for a seasonal operator.

Tracy Sabel has put in her two weeks' notice with a final day of October 30, 2015. The opening will be posted in the Village and some previous applicants may be contacted to see if they are interested in reapplying. The posting will be up for several weeks.

Public Safety: There was a heroin overdose in the Village recently and an arrest has been made in conjunction with it. Several of the people who were the sources of problems in the school district have left recently and gone back to the district they came from. Officer Tackett said this has been a quieter beginning to the school year.

The Drug Drop Takeback Day is this weekend. Oakfield averages 40-50 pounds for the takeback. The drop box in the lobby is being heavily utilized.

Minor vandalism has occurred in the village; a car was spray painted and some solar lights were snapped off. The police department has an idea who did it and is watching those individuals.

The camera at the Village Garage has been working well. Miriam and Tracy have been reviewing the videos when Public Works reports something and the police department follows up with offender(s). Everyone contacted has been coming to

remove their items. The possibility of moving the brush pile to allow for better camera visibility was brought up again and possibly even getting rid of the scrap metal pile all together. The future of yard waste, grass clippings and tree limb curbside pickup was discussed again also as the system continues to be abused. There have been some cases of miscommunication with residents in regards to brush and yard waste but they have been addressed. This topic will be addressed at next month's meeting.

New Business:

Transient Merchant's license: The application was once again presented for Jason Mortier from ARC Contracting and Restoration. Al Kamenski brought in a business card for another employee from ARC Contracting and Restoration who had visited his house recently, ignoring the "no soliciting" sign. The application received from Jason Mortier was incomplete as he could not provide a specific vehicle make and model for when he would be in town doing business.

Motion: Tim Stoppleworth, seconded by Julie Franke, to deny the license based on an incomplete application and soliciting prior to receiving a permit by someone other than the applicant. Motion carried 7-0.

Operator's license: Motion: Julie Franke, seconded by Dan Redman, to approve an operator's license for Nathaniel Brotherton at BFG's. Motion carried 7-0.

Resolution 2015-11, Amending the 2015 Budget: Due to overspending in some budget areas a resolution proposing the adjustment of some funds was presented.

Role Call vote: Chris Cook-aye, Tim Stoppleworth-aye, Dan Redman-aye, Julie Franke-aye, Dennis Steinke-aye, Jim Eckberg-aye, Gary Collien-aye. Resolution carried unanimously. A copy of this resolution is on file at the Village Office and can be viewed during regular business hours.

2016 Budget sheets: Budget sheets were handed out. Updated numbers next year should be submitted to the office before next month's meeting so that full sheets can be handed out to all board members.

Adjourn:

Motion: Dennis Steinke, seconded by Jim Eckberg, to adjourn at 8:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Miriam Thomas, Clerk/Treasurer