

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Oakfield Village Board  
Oakfield Community Center  
130 N. Main Street Oakfield, WI 53065  
Wednesday January 13, 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 Stoppleworth, Dan Redman, Julie Franke, Dennis Steinke, Jim Eckberg, and Gary Collien. Also in attendance: Sam Kaufman, Greg Deer, Joe DeYoung, Jon Venheuzen, Jeff Thelen, Lauren Prochnow, and Miriam Thomas.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Motion:** Tim Stoppleworth, seconded by Dennis Steinke, to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the December 2, 2015 regular board meeting and accept them as written. Motion carried 7-0.

**County Board Candidates:** John Venheuzen and Sam Kaufman introduced themselves to the board. Both men are running for the District 7 county supervisor seat.

**Public Works:** Joe DeYoung and Jeff Thelen from MSA presented some information to the board regarding the TIF districts. The Village has the option to keep both districts open for an extra four years. Doing this would essentially allow the Village to pay themselves back for all the payments that have been made over the years to supplement the TID loan payments. Keeping the districts open would potentially generate a sum of money from TID #1 that could be used for the road projects on County D (East Church Street) and County Y (Main Street) that the county would like to repave within the next several years. The amount needing to be paid back to TID #2 in 2022 would be cut approximately in half. The exact dollar amounts are not yet known.

Jeff also discussed the sample survey that would be handed out to residents in order to obtain a more accurate Low to Moderate Income score for the Village. Joe suggested waiting a year to start collecting survey information as the data collected is only good for three years. If the county road projects are started within 2-3 years the Village would need to collect new data to ensure it remained eligible for potential grants throughout the project.

Sixty one laterals were televised in December on Second Street from Waupun Street to Church Street. With this area completely televised the 7 Year Plan is close to being back on schedule. Dan asked the board their thoughts on including both the Waupun Street and Second Street areas in the first phase of the project or to proceed with only the Waupun Street houses. It was decided that, in order to fix what is considered the worst areas of I&I in the village, all affected laterals and areas should be included in the bid. An email will be sent out to McMahon and MSA to request estimates for the first phase of the project.

Dan Redman brought up the land rental contract for the land surrounding the wastewater treatment plant. The last contract expired in 2013 and Dan is suggesting updating some components. He will bring it to the Public Works Committee to be worked on and re-present it to the board.

**Library:** Sharon Belling communicated with the office that the library had overspent their budgets in 2014 and 2015 for a total of \$246.61. She is inquiring of the board whether they would prefer the library underspend by that amount this year or write a check out for the overage.

**Motion:** Dennis Steinke, seconded by Tim Stoppleworth, to have the library write a check for \$246.61 payable to the Village for overspending in 2014 and 2015. Motion carried 7-0.

**Fire Department:** Bill Rusch was voted in as chief for the fire department.

**Motion:** Gary Collien, seconded by Julie Franke, to approve Bill Rusch as Fire Chief. Motion carried 7-0.

Also elected at the fire department meeting were Andy Collien as First Assistant, Kevin Baker as Second Assistant, Wendy Hounsell as Secretary, Meg Murphy-Steinke as Treasurer and Jeremy Kautzer to a 3 year term as Trustee.

**New Business:**

**Motion:** Gary Collien, seconded by Dennis Steinke, to approve an operator's license for McKenna Boelk at BFG's. Motion carried 7-0.

**Adjourn:**

**Motion:** Dennis Steinke, seconded by Jim Eckberg, to adjourn at 8:43 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,  
Miriam Thomas, Clerk/Treasurer