

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Oakfield Village Board
Oakfield Community Center
130 N. Main Street Oakfield, WI 53065
Wednesday March 14, 2018 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: Chris Cook, Tim Stopplesworth, Dan Redman, Julie Franke, Jody Marcoe, Jim Eckberg, and Dennis Steinke. Also in attendance: Miriam Thomas, Lauren Prochnow, Ann Seyfert, Darcy Meyer and Steve Meyer.

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion: Tim Stopplesworth, seconded by Jody Marcoe, to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the February 14, 2018 regular board meeting and accept them as written. Motion carried 7-0.

Public Comments:

Dan informed the board that the Public Works committee met with Michael Merk regarding the two lots he purchased in the Uttendorfer subdivision. He was proposing moving the detention pond to the west. The committee decided he should stay 30 feet from property lines, they wanted him to provide an easement to access the pond and a 12 foot easement around the pond to inspect if necessary. Mr. Merk will also provide a maintenance plan. If the DNR allows, he will also be making the pond a dry pond.

Dennis Steinke let the board know the Oakfield Area Historical Society's Taco Night was a success; there was a large turnout and it was an enjoyable evening.

Public Works:

Water: Well #2 is still having high pressure issues. There were also two small main breaks over the past month.

Sewer: Nothing new to report.

Belle Reynolds Subdivision paving:

The most recent communication from Gary Stopplesworth was discussed. Mr. Stopplesworth is claiming that the agreement was to pave the road after thirty houses were built, not when thirty lots were sold. The agreement signed in 2008 by Mr. Stopplesworth and Terry Dietzel, who was Village President at the time, states that the road should be paved when thirty lots are sold. All other records reviewed by office staff only reference the sale of lots, not the building of houses. Residents would like to see the road paved as sections of curb and gutter and driveway approaches are starting to crumble. The board still does not wish to have the Village finance the paving of the road. The clerk has been in contact with the village's attorney to discuss the options the village has to get the paving completed.

Motion: Dennis Steinke, seconded by Julie Franke, to make the board's final offer to Gary Stopplesworth, developer, to pay for the road paving up front and the Village will have Fond du Lac County do the work once full payment is received. The deadline for this offer will be March 30, 2018. Motion carried 5-1 with one abstention.

Ordinance 2018-1: This ordinance clarifies financial responsibility for removal and installation of curb and gutter as the previous ordinance was not specific.

Motion: Julie Franke, seconded by Dan Redman, to approve Ordinance 2018-1. Motion carried 7-0. A copy of this ordinance can be viewed at the Village Office during regular business hours.

Public Safety:

Chief Schuster reported she is still waiting on estimates for the decals for the new squad car. Officer Tackett will no longer be the school resource officer but Officer Halfman has applied for the position.

Parks:

The parks committee met to discuss the concessions stand agreement and Tim and Jennifer Wiese would like to see some changes to the contract as it is currently written. They would like the ability to use the east half of the building during certain games and would like the license to reflect that. The Rec Department would also like to be able to use the west side during their tournaments. Tim and Jennifer would also like the lock on the door separating the east and west sides switched. Both parties would like the cage separating the cooler removed. The clerk will check with the Department of Revenue on how to word the licenses according to the wishes of the two groups.

New Business:

Operator's license: **Motion:** Jim Eckberg, seconded by Dennis Steinke, to approve an operator's license for Jean Tosh at Oakfield Petro. Motion carried 7-0.

Newsletter articles: Board members suggested adding information about the Fire Department's Brat Fry, Paint Event, Historical Society updates and the Memorial Day Parade.

Electronic payments: The clerk thinks a system can finally be established to allow residents to pay their utility bills electronically. Hopefully this system will be in place by the time second quarter bills are created.

Motion: Jim Eckberg, seconded by Jody Marcoe, to adjourn at 8:24 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Miriam Thomas, Clerk/Treasurer