Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Oakfield Village Board Oakfield Community Center 130 N. Main Street Oakfield, WI 53065 Wednesday, July 12, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President Dan Redman.

Roll call found the following trustees present: Al Kamenski, John Cedar, Chris Cook, Julie Franke, Jody Marcoe and Jim Eckberg. Also in attendance: Miriam Thomas and Joe Ciesielczyk.

Pledge of Allegiance

**Motion:** Al Kamenski, seconded by John Cedar, to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the June 14, 2023 regular board meeting and approve them as written. Motion carried 7-0.

<u>Public Comments:</u> Joe Ciesielczyk would like to see the uneven sidewalks in the village addressed. The ordinance will be reviewed and a plan will start being created soon. Joe also commented on the Village Park bathrooms and thanked the individuals in charge of cleaning them.

## **Public Works:**

Water: Still waiting on fire hydrants to be replaced. Dan with check with MCO to see about a timeline.

**Sewer:** M&E has been in town for several weeks working on sewer laterals and will be gone for another project. When they return they will be working on Main Street laterals.

**Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade:** MSA will be giving a presentation on the upgrade at the treatment plant but a meeting is scheduled with Senator Baldwin's office tomorrow to discuss potential funding. The presentation from MSA will be at the August meeting.

<u>Public Safety:</u> Dave Zitlow was hired as an additional part time officer. He previously worked for the City of Fond du Lac.

<u>Community Center carpeting update:</u> The project progressed quicker than planned and was mostly done within one week. The fire department and police department office still need to be done and are scheduled for next week. Overall, the project went much smoother than anticipated.

<u>Human Resources:</u> Two applications have been received for the public works assistant position. The committee will be reviewing all applications in the near future.

<u>Parks:</u> John met with Dave Schmidt to discuss installing cameras at Village Park. The cost to install 9 cameras to cover the main areas of the park and parking lot is approximately \$4,190.00. In order to view the cameras remotely from an app internet would need to be installed. Spectrum can be installed at no cost and for \$69.00 per month with the ability to shut off the service when the park is closed for the year. The board discussed the potential to cost share the service with the school since many of the athletic activities at the park are live-streamed.

**Motion:** Al Kamenski, seconded by Jody Marcoe, to purchase the camera system as proposed by Dave Schmidt. Motion carried 7-0.

## **New Business:**

Monthly check approval: The monthly approval sheet was passed around and signed.

Resolution 2023-8, chicken permits: The ordinance was reworded to give current permit holders priority when renewing licenses for the following year.

**Motion:** Jody Marcoe, seconded by John Cedar, to approve resolution 2023-8. Motion carried 7-0. A copy of the resolution can be viewed at the village office during regular business hours.

Ordinance 2023-7; recreational vehicles: The drafted ordinance was discussed again. The board would like additional time to be able to ensure items like parked duration limits, parking too close to sidewalks and running cords across sidewalks are addressed appropriately. The topic was tabled until August to allow for further review.

Local Government Pool discussion: After this year's audit was complete the clerk spoke with the auditor about options for the funds the village has available and how to best use them. The auditor suggested looking at putting some of the money into the local government investment pool due to the interest rate being much higher than the bank's and having the money 100% insured. Several of the bigger projects are one to two years out and investing some of the funds would generate some revenue by utilizing the program. It will be discussed more in the near future.

Operator's license approval: An operator's license for Aayushma Adhikari was received and approved by the police chief.

Village insurance renewal: The village's policy is up for renewal with an increase of \$500 from last year.

**Motion:** Al Kamenski, seconded by Julie Franke, to approve the operator's license for Aayushma Adhikari. Motion carried 7-0.

**Municipal plat review:** A proposed plat division outside of the village was received. The division doesn't affect the village in any way so the board had no concerns.

Motion: Al Kamenski, seconded by Jim Eckberg, to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Miriam Thomas, Clerk/Treasurer