

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Oakfield Village Board
Oakfield Community Center
130 N. Main Street Oakfield, WI 53065
Wednesday, July 10, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Dan Redman.

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

Motion: Julie Franke, seconded by John Cedar, to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the June 12, 2024 regular board meeting and approve them as written. Motion carried 7-0.

Public Comments: None.

Mark Born: Mr. Born is running for State Representative for the 39th Assembly District. He was previously elected as representative for the 37th Assembly District before the district changes. He spoke with the board about relative funding issues for the treatment plant and other issues.

Public Works:

Water: Nothing to note.

Sewer: Bypassing was done from June 22-June 23 after large rainfalls. The bypassing was published as required. There was a power outage at the plant the same night which turned all the pumps off so manual pumping had to be done in the village. Dan thanked everyone involved with helping that night including MCO, board members, residents and fire department members. The recent improvements to the infrastructure on East Church Street resulted in no street flooding during the rain event and no sewer backups in houses.

WWTP update/interim financing: Ariana Schmidt from Ehlers presented the bond options for interim financing for the wastewater treatment facility project. Two banks replied and Ehlers is recommending the Bank of Alma as they were willing to meet all the village's requirements; that the loan be drawable, flexible and have no principal or interest payments until it closes.

Motion: Jim Eckberg, seconded by Chris Cook, to approve Resolution 2024-6, Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of a \$2,535,000 Sewerage System Revenue Bond Anticipation Note, Series 2024A. A roll call vote resulted in seven ayes and zero nays.

Dan informed the board that MSA would be at the September board meeting to present the 90% plan for the project.

Public Safety: Chief Schuster presented an ordinance on outdoor alcohol consumption after the request was made last month. The draft was discussed with no objections.

Motion: Jody Marcoe, seconded by Al Kamenski, to approve the alcohol consumption ordinance (Ordinance 2024-2). Motion carried 7-0. A copy of the ordinance can be viewed at the village office during regular business hours.

New Business:

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

Floodplain ordinance: Fond du Lac County's floodplain maps are being redone and all municipalities are being required to update their ordinances. The DNR is willing to assist with drafting an updated ordinance but the board needs to make some decisions on inclusion in an optional program and adopting language from a legislative act. Without seeing the proposed updated map to see where Oakfield stands, the board wasn't comfortable making any decisions yet. Miriam will send the draft to the village's attorney for review and request the proposed map for presentation at the August meeting.

Building permit ordinance discussion: John presented some additions to the current ordinance he feels are prudent to make prior to any construction or permits being issued for multi-unit housing anywhere in the village. He also talked about the role of the Comprehensive Plan and the need to follow the intentions of it in decision-making processes. Miriam will forward the proposed changes to the village attorney for review and have a draft ready for approval at the August meeting.

Motion: Al Kamenski, seconded by Chris Cook, to adjourn the board meeting at 9:22 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Miriam Thomas, Clerk/Treasurer