

Regular Board Meeting

February 19, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Village Administrator Teresa Schnitzler. Trustees present: Brown, Hennessey, Lautz, Leicht, Schumacher, and Wee. Excused: President Manthei. Also present: Police Chief Charles Ashbeck, Public Works Director Scott Halbrucker, School Board Member Melinda Kopnisky-Bloomfield, and School Superintendent Troy Gunderson.

Due to Village President Manthei's excused absence, motion by Trustee Schumacher, seconded by Trustee Hennessey to appoint Trustee Leicht to preside over the regular meeting of the Village Board pursuant to Wis. Stat. Sec. 61.32. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Minutes

Motion by Trustee Lautz, seconded by Trustee Hennessey to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2019, Regular Board meeting as presented. Roll call vote: Brown – abstain; remainder of Board – aye. Motion approved.

Claims

Claims from the following funds were presented for payment:

<u>General Fund:</u>	\$1,689,474.97
<u>Water Utility:</u>	\$39,093.41
<u>Sewer Utility:</u>	\$38,856.75
<u>Storm Water Utility:</u>	\$8,607.80

Motion by Trustee Leicht, seconded by Trustee Schumacher to approve the payment of all claims as listed. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

West Salem School District Referendum

School Board Clerk Melinda Kopnisky-Bloomfield and School Superintendent Troy Gunderson explained the April 2, 2019, 2019 operational referendum and answered questions of the Village Board.

Alcohol Beverage License Application

Motion by Trustee Schumacher, seconded by Trustee Hennessey to approve the issuance of an alcohol beverage license to Linda S. Mertz. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Law Enforcement Committee

Trustee Lautz reported on the February 5, 2019, Law Enforcement Committee meeting. The Committee reviewed an Application to Exceed Pet Limit submitted by Nicole and

Alejandro Vidal of 121 Acorn Lane. The residents presently keep two neutered, male Great Danes at their home. They wish to adopt a 9-year old, spayed, female Great Dane they have been fostering. All three animals are primarily kept indoors, and the dogs are leashed when outdoors. The Committee commended Mrs. Vidal for fostering this third dog. Neighbors Sue Nederlo and Boyce and Barb Puryear submitted letters in support of the application. The police department has had no animal related contact with the Vidals. The Committee recommended approval of the Application to Exceed Pet Limit submitted by Nicole and Alejandro Vidal.

Motion by Trustee Lautz, seconded by Trustee Leicht to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2019, Law Enforcement Committee meeting as presented. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Motion by Trustee Lautz, seconded by Trustee Hennessey to approve the issuance of a permit to exceed pet limit to Nicole and Alejandro Vidal. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Planning Commission

Trustee Schumacher reported on the February 13, 2019, Planning Commission meeting. The Commission reviewed an Application for Conditional Use Permit submitted by Ryan Manke, Sara Manke, and Roger Manke to construct a 195-foot self-support mobile tower in an Agricultural Zone. Chris Henshue informed the Commission BugTussel plans to construct twenty additional towers in La Crosse County to support ATT's mobile network. Within the next twelve months, there will be broadband internet added to the towers. If a subscriber can see the tower, he or she can subscribe to broadband internet. The final phase to be added to the towers is First Net. First Net is a national network dedicated to police, fire, and emergency medical services. The proposed tower will be 195 feet high, and it will provide thirty percent better reception for ATT than the smaller cell companies. There is no new driveway planned for the site, and the tower will be approximately 615 feet from Highway 16. Six to eight months after approval, the tower will be completed. Construction takes 45 days. The Commission scheduled a public hearing on this Application for Conditional Use Permit for Monday, March 4, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. with a Planning Commission meeting to follow.

Motion by Trustee Schumacher, seconded by Trustee Brown to approve the minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held on February 13, 2019. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Motion by Trustee Lautz, seconded by Trustee Wee to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m. Approved by voice vote.

Teresa L. Schnitzler, Village Administrator