

## Regular Meeting

August 3, 2021

Regular meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Village President Scott Schumacher. Trustees present: Curtis, Lautz, Leicht, and Twining. Excused: Hennessey. Also present: Recreation Director Tony DeGaetano, Police Chief Jeremy Randall, Rita Schmitz, and Village Administrator Teresa DeLong.

### Minutes

Motion by Trustee Leicht, seconded by Trustee Curtis to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2021, regular Village Board meeting as written. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

### Claims

Claims from the following funds were presented for payment:

<u>General Fund:</u>	\$32,562.63
<u>Water Utility:</u>	\$11,342.40
<u>Sewer Utility:</u>	\$11,794.33
<u>Storm Water Utility:</u>	\$351.97

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

### Flags of Honor

On behalf of the West Salem Berg Hemker Olson American Legion Building Fund Committee, Rita Schmitz requested the use of the Village Park and Shelter from Wednesday, September 8 through Sunday, September 12, 2021, for the Flags of Honor event. The West Salem High School National Honor Society has asked to work with the Legion again on the Flags of Honor event as their "chapter project". Six hundred American flags will be on display from Friday, September 10 through Sunday afternoon, September 12.

Motion by Trustee Leicht, seconded by Trustee Lautz to approve the use of the Village Park and Shelter from September 8 through September 12, 2021, for the Flags of Honor event. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

### Special Event Application

Motion by Trustee Curtis, seconded by Trustee Leicht to approve closing the 100 block of North Rose Street on August 21, 2021, from 5:00 p.m. until midnight for a neighborhood block party. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

### West Salem School District Bus Stops

Motion by Trustee Lautz, seconded by Trustee Twining to approve the list of West Salem School District bus stops as locations where school bus operators are directed to use flashing red warning lights when stopped to load or unload persons pursuant to Wis. Stat. Sec. 349.21(1) and West Salem Ordinance 6.16. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

#### Buildings and Grounds Committee

Trustee Curtis reported on the July 27, 2021, Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss a proposal by the Friends of West Salem Baseball to convert half of the West Salem Community Shelter to a year-round turf practice facility and draft shelter use agreement with possible recommendation to the Village Board of Trustees. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources reviewed the scope change for the West Salem Knowles-Nelson Stewardship grant, and the change was recently approved. Scott Schumacher stated this proposal started at the time the West Salem Hockey Association moved its use to the new West Salem School District Panther Den facility. The Friends of West Salem Baseball would like to better utilize the West Salem Community Shelter by providing an indoor practice location for not only baseball, but also for golf, soccer, track, and numerous West Salem Recreation Department programs. There are revenue-generating opportunities for the West Salem Recreation Department for rent of the new facility. The Friends expended over \$2,500 from January to March for approximately two hours of practice time per week at the La Crosse Wellness Center. Outdoor summer sports would benefit from an indoor practice facility during inclement weather and during the winter months. The Friends would utilize approximately 11,000 square feet of the structure, leaving approximately 10,000 square feet for normal public seasonal rentals. Vinnie Pontius stated the Friends of West Salem Baseball has talked with DBS Group in Onalaska for assistance with the permitting process, and there are skilled volunteers ready to begin the construction. The Building Inspector will be consulted on building permitting requirements, such as any sprinkler system obligations, square footage requiring State of Wisconsin approval, and other requirements. Once this information is obtained, a building plan should be created so a final use agreement can be drafted for review and approvals. The condition of the West Salem Community Shelter roof was discussed, and Tony DeGaetano was directed to have the roof inspected and obtain quotes for repair of the roof damage.

Motion by Trustee Curtis, seconded by Trustee Lautz to approve the minutes of the Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting of July 27, 2021, as corrected. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

Motion by Trustee Leicht, seconded by Trustee Twining to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 p.m. Approved by voice vote.

Teresa L. DeLong, Village Administrator