Regular Meeting

December 21, 2021

Regular meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Village Administrator Teresa DeLong. Trustees present: Curtis, Hennessey, Lautz, Leicht, and Twining. Also present: Recreation Director Tony DeGaetano, Public Works Director Loren Schwier, Interim Police Chief Kyle Holzhausen, Onalaska Police Chief Charles Ashbeck, Police Officer Jacob Donley, Police Officer Jake Hastings, and Police Officer Matthew Lewis.

Due to Village President Scott Schumacher's delay at a prior function, motion by Trustee Twining, seconded by Trustee Hennessey to appoint Trustee Leicht to preside over the meeting. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

Trustee Leicht then called for recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance, and President Schumacher then arrived to preside over the remainder of the Village Board meeting.

<u>Minutes</u>

Motion by Trustee Leicht, seconded by Trustee Twining to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2021, regular Village Board meeting as written. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

<u>Claims</u>

Claims from the following funds were presented for payment:

General Fund:	\$132,273.43
Water Utility:	\$38,109.20
<u>Sewer Utility</u> :	\$1,036,278.20
Storm Water Utility:	\$857.05

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

Election Officials

Motion by Trustee Leicht, seconded by Trustee Curtis to approve the appointment of West Salem Election Officials for two-year terms beginning January 1, 2022, and ending December 31, 2023. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

Law Enforcement Committee

Trustee Leicht reported on the December 7, 2021, Law Enforcement Committee meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to review for recommendation to the Village Board an Application to Exceed Pet Limit submitted by Katie and Ryan Rasmussen. The applicants reside at 431 East Avenue. The residents presently own a 2-year old spayed female Teddy Bear and a 2-year old spayed female Cockapoo. The residents would like to add a Pyrenees to their home. The two dogs are up to date with their

vaccinations. Neighbor Jon Lewis, 347 North Lincoln Avenue, submitted a letter in support of the application. Administrator DeLong pointed out the Pyrenees breed of dog is prone to barking, and Mr. Rasmussen stated they are aware of this tendency and they are prepared for it by use of a bark collar. Chief Holzhausen has not received any complaints regarding the two dogs at the Rasmussen residence. The Committee recommended approval of the Application.

Motion by Trustee Leicht, seconded by Trustee Hennessey to approve the minutes of the Law Enforcement Committee meeting held on December 7, 2021, as presented. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

Motion by Trustee Lautz, seconded by Trustee Hennessey to approve issuance of a Permit to Exceed Pet Limit to Katie and Ryan Rasmussen. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

Interim Police Chief Kyle Holzhausen presented Police Officer Matthew Lewis with a plaque recognizing his 25 years with the Village of West Salem Police Department.

Interim Police Chief Kyle Holzhausen also presented metals and plaques to Police Officer Jacob Donley and Police Officer Zachary Shenderovsky in recognition of saving two lives.

Motion by Trustee Leicht, seconded by Trustee Twining to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m. Approved by voice vote.

Teresa L. DeLong, Village Administrator