

Village of West Salem
Regular Meeting
August 20, 2024

Regular meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Village President Scott Schumacher. Trustees present: Curtis, Hennessey, Lautz, Leicht, and Twining. Excused: Anderson. Also present: Jesse Alo, Owen McKinney, Ella McKinney, Oliver McKinney, Brianne Alo, Tari Alo, Public Works Director Loren Schwier, Police Chief Scott Alo, Village Administrator Teresa DeLong and Village Clerk/Treasurer Ashley Bohl.

Minutes

Motion by Trustee Leicht, seconded by Trustee Twining to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2024, regular meeting as written. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

Claims

Claims were presented for payment totaling \$173,312.67.

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

Special Event Application

Motion by Trustee Leicht, seconded by Trustee Curtis to approve issuance of a Special Event Application to West Salem Cares for a Street Dance scheduled for September 1, 2024 from 3:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. from Memorial Drive to Elm Street. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

Ordinance No. 531

Motion by Trustee Hennessey, seconded by Trustee Twining to approve adoption of Ordinance No. 531 Amend Chapter 6 of the Village of West Salem Code of Ordinances to Establish Two-Hour Parking on North Mark Street and Lark Lane. Roll call vote: Leicht – nay; remainder of Board – aye. Motion approved.

West Salem School District Bus Stops

Motion by Trustee Hennessey, seconded by Trustee Curtis 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. Sect. 349.21(1) and West Salem Ordinance 6.16. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

Law Enforcement Committee

Trustee Lautz reported on the August 6, 2024 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 Tanner and Jamie Holst, 740 Lewis Street, to add a spayed Labradoodle and review for recommendation to Village Board, a Special Permit Application to Own, Keep, or Harbor Chickens submitted by Nicholas Patchen, 127 Van Ness Street N, to keep 5 chickens.

Motion by Trustee Lautz, seconded by Trustee Hennessey to approve the Law Enforcement Committee meeting minutes of August 6, 2024, as presented. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

Motion by Trustee Lautz, seconded by Trustee Curtis to approve the issuance of a Permit to Exceed Pet Limit to Tanner and Jamie Holst. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

Motion by Trustee Curtis, seconded by Trustee Hennessey to approve the issuance of a Special Permit to Own, Keep, or Harbor Chickens to Nicholas Patchen. Roll call vote: Lautz – abstain; remainder of Board – aye. Motion approved.

Planning Commission

President Schumacher reported on the August 7, 2024 Planning Commission meeting. The Commission reviewed a request by JSD, Inc. on behalf of Coulee Region Christian School Association, LLC., to construct a gymnasium addition and site improvements, to include a parking lot expansion, soccer field construction and stormwater management improvements at 701 Industrial Drive. A request for approval of a Certified Survey Map submitted by Mazzola Construction and Consulting on behalf of Casey and Dawn Staige to combine Lots 10 and 11, Riverview Estates, was reviewed. The purpose for combining the lots is to allow for the construction of a larger home due to the shoreline variances.

Motion by President Schumacher, seconded by Trustee Twining to approve the Planning Commission meeting minutes of August 7, 2024, as presented. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

Motion by President Schumacher, seconded by Trustee Twining to approve the Certified Survey Map as recommended by the Planning Commission. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

Buildings and Grounds Committee

Trustee Curtis reported on the August 12, 2024 Building and Grounds Committee meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to continue Public Safety Building design firm discussions for recommendation to the Village Board. The Committee discussed the pros and cons of each firm and what they liked and disliked. Some of the discussion focused on proximity to the site location as well as the experience each firm had with the type of building the Village is looking to construct.

Motion by Trustee Curtis, seconded by Trustee Leicht to approve the Building and Grounds Committee meeting minutes of August 12, 2024, as presented. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

Motion by Trustee Hennessey, seconded by Trustee Lautz to award the public safety building design contract to River Architects and proceed with drafting a contract and scheduling discussions on funding options. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

Scott Alo was officially sworn in as Police Chief for the Village of West Salem.

Director of Public Works Loren Schwier reported that Mark Street construction is complete and his department has been focusing on mowing and repainting parking lines and crosswalks on Leonard Street. Hamilton Street, along with parts of Neshonoc, will be receiving overlay with asphalt and will be chip-sealed in the future.

Motion by Trustee Twining, seconded by Trustee Curtis to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m. Approved by voice vote.

Ashley M. Bohl, Clerk/Treasurer