Village of West Salem Regular Meeting February 4, 2025

Regular meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Village President Scott Schumacher. Trustees present: Anderson, Curtis, Hennessey, Lautz, Leicht, and Twining. Also present: Police Chief Scott Alo, Joe Pingel of Cedar Corporation, Village Administrator Teresa DeLong and Village Clerk/Treasurer Ashley Bohl.

<u>Minutes</u>

Motion by Trustee Leicht, seconded by Trustee Twining to approve the minutes of the January 21, 2025, regular meeting as written. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

<u>Claims</u>

Claims were presented for payment totaling \$231,797.99.

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

Police Chief Alo updated the Board on service calls for the entire year of 2024 with a total of 6,829 calls. Calls in January of 2025 totaled 639, up from 424 in January of 2024. There has been an increase in recent crashes along I-90 that the Department has had to assist with. The updated training manual is complete, Patrol Officer Amanda Marshall has officially started, and the Chief and Deputy Chief will be attending a Chief Conference next week.

Joe Pingel of Cedar Corporation advised the board that Performance Food Group is looking to begin paving in April and that McCabe Construction has begun prep work.

Motion by Trustee Anderson, seconded by Trustee Twining to convene in closed session at 7:06 p.m. pursuant to Wis. Stat. Sec. 19.85(1)(e) for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, investment of public funds, and transfers of public properties, to-wit: Discuss offer to purchases. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

Motion by Trustee Anderson, seconded by Trustee Leicht to reconvene in open session at 7:24 p.m. Approved by voice vote.

Motion by Trustee Leicht, seconded by Trustee Curtis to submit the Offer to Purchase between the Village of West Salem, La Crosse County, and La Crosse County Economic Development Fund, Inc., for Vacant Land to La Crosse County, as presented. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion Approved.

Motion by Trustee Anderson, seconded by Trustee Twining to approve the Counter Offer between the Village of West Salem and Riverland Investments, LLC to purchase 119 Greenfield Lane and 1400 Crestwood Avenue in West Salem, as presented. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye. Motion approved.

Motion by Trustee Leicht, seconded by Trustee Hennessey to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. Approved by voice vote.

Ashley M. Bohl, Clerk/Treasurer