

Village Board Meeting Minutes –September 18, 2023 at 6:00 PM – Rosendale Municipal Building

Kurt Caramanidis, Village President

Trustees: Larry Crook, Dan Degner, Jeremy Giebel, Keegan Madigan, Tammy Pflum & Tricia Yeager

AGENDA ITEM 1 – Call Village Board meeting to order – September 18, 2023 meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by President Kurt Caramanidis and the following were present at this meeting:

Trustees: Larry Crook, Keegan Madigan, Tammy Pflum & Tricia Yeager

Staff: Dan Holdridge, Public Works Director; Emily Wirkus, Clerk-Treasurer

Citizens: Jerry Fairbank & Jim Westphal

AGENDA ITEM 2 – Pledge of Allegiance

AGENDA ITEM 3 – Approve minutes of 8-21-23, as circulated – Motion was made by Trustees Pflum/Yeager to approve the minutes from the 8-21-23 meeting. Motion was carried by a 5-0-2 roll call. Trustees Degner & Giebel were absent.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – Public Comments – Jim Westphal mentioned that he is concerned about the dead ash trees in the Village. He stated they look horrible. He mentioned he has noticed several at the apartments on East Wisconsin Street and the Post Office. He was wondering if there are any ordinances that could be referenced to have those ash trees removed. Dan Holdridge mentioned that in the past he has talked to property owners in the past regarding dead trees. Jerry Fairbank mentioned that from his past experience he learned that homeowner's insurance won't cover if a tree is sick, dead, etc. if something were to happen.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – Approve Operator/Bartender License to Whitney Madison, N6178 Brandon Rd- Bluemkes – Motion was made by Trustees Yeager/Pflum to approve the operator license for Whitney Madison for Bluemkes. Motion was carried by a 4-0-3 roll call. Trustee Crook abstained. Trustees Degner & Giebel were absent.

AGENDA ITEM 6 – Discuss & approve, if necessary, the purchase of a camera system at the brush drop-off site – It was mentioned that we received an estimate from Decibel Associates. It was mentioned that the "garage portion" of the budget has enough money to cover the expense. President Caramanidis mentioned that cameras should have been installed a while ago at that location. Motion was made by Trustees Pflum/Yeager to approve the purchase of a camera system for the brush drop-off site. Motion was carried by a 5-0-2 roll call. Trustees Degner & Giebel were absent.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – Discuss & approve, if necessary, sidewalk repair assessment & resolution – Public Works Director Dan Holdridge stated that this sidewalk repair assessment is that same as last year. A company came to the Village and walked the sidewalks looking for trip hazards. It was mentioned that the sidewalks along Hwy 26 were not done last year and a couple of sidewalks were missed on Fern Drive and Midway Street. It was mentioned that after these repairs we should be caught up with sidewalk shaving. The next discussion would be sidewalk replacement. Motion was made by Trustees Yeager/Madigan to move forward with the sidewalk repair assessment. Motion was carried by a 5-0-2 roll call. Trustees Degner & Giebel were absent.

AGENDA ITEM 8 – Discuss & approve, if necessary, the location of the Stuarts Landscaping tree donation –

Trustee Madigan stated he looked at the tree locations that were marked at Taylor Park. He said the locations on the terrace looked good but was concerned by the marker near the score booth and possibly on school property. President Caramanidis mentioned that school would have to approve that location for a tree. Trustee Pflum stated that the first base line looked good. There was something going on at the park so she didn't check out the other locations. Trustee Crook stated everything looked fine but concerned about water line issues in area. Public Works Director stated that the water lines run thru the center of the terrace. A concern would be the tree roots wrapping around a water line. It was mentioned that the first base side is in the center of a water line so that would be a big concern. It was suggested to plant the trees away from the water lines because if they have a deep root system, they will do damage to the water lines and walls. Trustee Yeager asked Public Works Director Dan Holdridge where he would put the trees if the first base side is a bad location. Public Works Director Dan Holdridge said anywhere you want. Trustee Crook questioned how big the trees are. President Caramanidis said they are as tall as the concession stand. Public Works Director said he would have to meet whoever is planting the trees. President Caramanidis said everyone loves the first baseline terrace. It was mentioned to find out what kind of trees are being planted. Trustee Crook stated he is concerned with the retaining wall. It was mentioned that the water line is simple to repair if needed. President Caramanidis said he will call Stuarts on Tuesday. President Caramanidis stated he would like to move forward but would like to express the concerns to Stuarts. Motion was made by Trustees Yeager/Madigan to move forward with having Stuarts plant the trees after the concerns were discussed with them. Motion was carried by a 5-0-2 roll call. Trustees Degner & Giebel were absent.

AGENDA ITEM 9 – Approve checks dated August 1, 2023 through August 31, 2023 – Motion was made by Trustees Pflum/Yeager to approve checks dated August 1, 2023 through August 31, 2023. Motion was carried by a 5-0-2 roll call. Trustees Degner & Giebel were absent.

AGENDA ITEM 10 – Next Village Board Meeting will be held on Monday, October 16, 2023 – 211 N. Grant St. at 6:00 pm

AGENDA ITEM 11 – Correspondence – Nothing mentioned.

AGENDA ITEM 12 – President's Report – President Caramanidis gave a pavilion project update. Public Works Director Dan Holdridge mentioned getting a floor plan and getting estimates. It was mentioned to stop spending money on the re-doing of the design. Dan Holdridge stated he will continue to contact Tom Meiklejohn.

AGENDA ITEM 13 – Adjourn the meeting – Meeting was adjourned at 6:48 pm.