

Village Board Meeting Minutes – August 19, 2024 at 5:30 PM – Rosendale Municipal Building

Kurt Caramanidis, Village President

Trustees: Larry Crook, Jeremy Giebel, Barb Hoch, Keegan Madigan, Tammy Pflum & Tricia Yeager

AGENDA ITEM 1 – Call Village Board meeting to order – August 19, 2024 meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by President Kurt Caramanidis and the following were present at this meeting:

Trustees: Larry Crook, Jeremy Giebel, Barb Hoch, Keegan Madigan, Tammy Pflum & Tricia Yeager

Staff: Jeremy Tabbert, Public Works Director, Mark Simon, Municipal Judge & Emily Wirkus, Clerk-Treasurer

Citizens: Kerry Bartlett, Jerry Fairbank, & Jim Westphal

AGENDA ITEM 2 – Pledge of Allegiance

AGENDA ITEM 3 – Approve minutes of 7-15-24, as circulated – Motion was made by Trustees Pflum/Hoch to approve the minutes from the 7-15-24 meeting. Motion was carried by a 7-0-0 roll call.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – Public Comments – Jim Westphal wanted to give a quick update on the Taylor Park Pavilion project. He stated they have had conversations with Tom Schwarz and goal is to submit plans to the State in September with bids maybe in mid-October. Jim Westphal stated they are thinking about colors. He stated that his family will discuss and then bring the ideas to the Board. It was mentioned that the existing pavilions will not be removed until the project is for sure a go.

Jerry Fairbank stated he did not get an email about the Planning Commission meeting that was before this Village Board meeting at 5:00 pm. He stated he is not on his phone often and he does not check the posting locations for notices. He stated he would like to get the notices mailed to him. Trustee Crook mentioned to Jerry Fairbank to check his “spam” folder in his email as his emails were going there for a while. **\*\*note\*\*** Clerk Emily Wirkus checked the email that was sent and confirmed the notice was emailed on Thursday, August 15, 2024 at 3:06 pm to all the Planning Commission members including Jerry Fairbank.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – Discuss & approve, if necessary, Comprehensive Plan Map change – President Caramanidis mentioned the Comprehensive Planning Map – the Future Use Map shows the property of 300 W. Wisconsin Street (Primary School block) to be zoned as government and is looking to change the Future Use Map to residential. It should be noted that our current Official Zoning Map shows the property already as zoned as residential. Jim Westphal asked if we pay to be a part of East Central Planning Commission. President Caramanidis stated they assisted in this process at no charge. It was mentioned that the new ordinance would need to have a public hearing before it is brought back to the Board. It was mentioned that the new ordinance would need to have a public hearing before it is brought back to the Board. Motion was made by Trustees Madigan/Crook to move forward with creating an ordinance to amend the Future Land Use Map pertaining to property located at 300 W. Wisconsin Street from Government to Residential. Motion was carried by a 7-0-0 roll call

AGENDA ITEM 6 – Discuss & approve, if necessary, basketball & pickleball court funds update – Trustee Madigan gave an update and mentioned there was a ribbon cutting recently and that it was cool to see families who surprised their parents by sponsoring a court in their name. The basketball tournament that was held during the Rosendale Lions Chicken BBQ brought in a lot of players on the new court as well. It was mentioned that the

basketball/pickleball courts are so close to being done as there are a few more expenses needed. It was mentioned that there was already \$2500 allocated in the budget for the basketball court and is asking for an extra \$5000 from the contingency fund to finish up the project. Trustee Pflum asked if the final bills have come in. Trustee Yeager asked if we discussed the pickleball nets cost because MSI Express had made their donation to go towards being the pickleball sponsor due to the basketball court sponsors have already been spoken for. Trustee Hoch asked if the nets would be retractable. President Caramanidis stated we already have 2 sets of nets to see how they work out. Public Works Director Jeremy Tabbert mentioned some more bills that may be coming in still – Baumhardt Trucking, dumpster, skid steer, employee hours worked on project. Mark Simon asked how tight is the budget and stated what's the reason of living here if we don't spend some money in the park. Trustee Yeager mentioned that there are other things that also need attention in the Village, example being streets. She also stated that communication wasn't happening. Mark Simon said if it wasn't for the Westphals we wouldn't have anything. President Caramanidis mention money spent that went towards the different projects. Mark Simon had messaged Clerk Emily Wirkus during meeting stating he would donate \$250 to be put towards trees. President Caramanidis thanked Mark Simon for the donation. Motion was made by Trustees Madigan/Giebel to approve an additional \$5000 from Village funds to be spent to cover the remain cost of the basketball/pickleball court. Motion was carried by a 6-0-1 roll call. Trustee Pflum abstained.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – Tree Committee meeting update – Trustee Yeager is the Chair of the Tree Committee and mentioned that the Committee met last week. She mentioned that the brush was cleaned up around the basketball court. She also mentioned that Jim and Emajeane Westphal are donating \$500 to be put towards new trees in Taylor Park. The Committee is asking to spend up to \$1000 as Rens Nursery is extending a sale to the Village. Jim and Emajeane Westphal are offering to go pick out the trees and pick up tomorrow, August 20, 2024, if approved. Mark Simon is also donating \$250 for trees. Trustee Yeager mentioned they are looking for trees with beautiful color, but unsure of getting any maples as there is a disease going around. It was mentioned that Emajeane Westphal has a plan. Jim Westphal mentioned checking into some Tamarac trees for the low area as well. He said they get a pretty yellow in the fall.

AGENDA ITEM 8 – Discuss & approve, if necessary, allocating money towards trees – It was mentioned that the money is already in the budget to spend on trees. It was approved that Jim and Emajeane Westphal will go to Rens Nursery to pick out the trees and the Village will reimburse them for the cost. **\*\*Note\*\*** Larry and Elizabeth Crook donated \$250 the next day for trees. Jim and Emajeane Westphal went to Rens and purchased 14 trees within the allotted budget.

AGENDA ITEM 4 - Public Comments (Re-opened) – Trustee Madigan asked if we could re-open the public comment section. Kerry Bartlett, a Village resident in Donovan Circle, is here and would like to offer something to the Village or School District. Kerry Bartlett stated he had built a portable shed on his property but is now looking to build a garage instead. He stated that because his shed has not sold, he thought maybe the Village or School District would be interested in it. He stated he would like to donate it, if we thought it could be put to use somewhere. Trustee Madigan stated he would text the High School Athletic Director Cody Moon to see too if there is any interest.

AGENDA ITEM 9 – Police Department Report – Nothing mentioned.

AGENDA ITEM 10 – Wastewater Operator's Report – Public Works Director Jeremy Tabbert gave wastewater report. He mentioned everything was going well but mentioned needing to watch water, where is it coming from. It was mentioned that he needs to find time to do the DNR stuff, testing for arsenic as we are on the radar. It was

mentioned that weekends might be eliminated as the testing will go from 7 days down to 5 days. He also mentioned that there was a discussion about possibly needing to install disinfection – UV lights at the wastewater plant in the near future.

AGENDA ITEM 11– **Approve checks dated July 1, 2024 through July 31, 2024** – Motion was made by Trustees Crook/Giebel to approve checks dated July 1, 2024 through July 31, 2024. Motion was carried by a 7-0-0 roll call.

AGENDA ITEM 12 – **Next Village Board Meeting will be held on Monday, September 16, 2024 – 211 N. Grant St. at 5:30 pm**

AGENDA ITEM 13 – **Correspondence** – Nothing mentioned.

AGENDA ITEM 14 – **President’s Report** – Nothing mentioned.

AGENDA ITEM 15 – **Adjourn the meeting** – Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

