

Public Hearing & Village Board Meeting Minutes – December 16, 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 – November 18, 2024 meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by President Kurt Caramanidis and the following were present at this meeting:

Trustees: Jeremy Giebel, Barb Hoch, Keegan Madigan, & Tammy Pflum

Staff: Emily Wirkus, Clerk-Treasurer; Jeremy Tabbert, Public Works & Chief of Police Tony Liebenow

Citizens: Jerry Fairbank, Jim Westphal, Kevin Verdine, Sam Kaufman

AGENDA ITEM 2 – Pledge of Allegiance

AGENDA ITEM 3 – Approve minutes of 11-18-24, as circulated – Motion was made by Trustees Pflum/Giebel to approve the minutes from the 11-18-24 meeting. Motion was carried by a 5-0-2 roll call. Trustees Crook & Yeager were absent.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – Public Comments – Nothing mentioned.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – Presentation from Fond du Lac County Executive Sam Kaufman – FDL County Executive Sam Kaufman introduced himself and gave a short update with what's going on with the County and explained the 2025 County budget and how cuts have been made. He mentioned the hiring of several Sheriff Deputies and how we are a pro law enforcement county with a great Sheriff – Sheriff Ryan Waldschmidt. Mr. Kaufman also mentioned the need for a new jail in the County. Also mentioned were the plans for the UW Campus and how it is already being used by different organizations for events. President Caramanidis thanked Sam Kaufman for coming to the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 6 – Discuss & approve, if necessary, CSM for Bluemkes property located at 107 W. Division Street, Rosendale– Jim Westphal explained the location & building the CSM is referencing. He mentioned that this is the Harness Shop and how Bluemkes is donating the building and the land it's sitting on to the Rosendale Historical Society. He mentioned this is also the oldest building in the Village (1880's/1890's). It was mentioned that an updated CSM needed to be signed and recorded with the County to continue with the process. Motion was made by Trustees Hoch/Pflum to approve the CSM for Bluemkes property located at 107 W. Division Street in Rosendale. Motion was carried by a 5-0-2 roll call. Trustees Crook & Yeager were absent.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – Discuss & approve, if necessary, Ordinance No. 99A “An Ordinance Controlling Noxious Weeds & Maintenance of Vegetation” enforcement – President Caramanidis mentioned that this was put on the agenda as a request from a Village resident. It was mentioned that the Village resident that requested this discussion is not in attendance of today's meeting. Discussion was had regarding enforcement and to keep increasing fees and fines for each reoccurring violation. It was mentioned that the ordinance itself has no issues and will remain as written at this time.

AGENDA ITEM 8 – Discuss & approve, if necessary, proposal from Susan Leahy – Grand Valley Inspection regarding building inspections & permits–. President Caramanidis mentioned that Marty Johnson, our current

Building Inspector is retiring at the end of the year. Trustee & Zoning Administrator Madigan mentioned to look at the zoning ordinance and update the fee schedule if needed. Motion was made by Trustees Pflum/Madigan to approve the proposal from Susan Leahy with Grand Valley Inspection Services. Motion was carried by a 5-0-2 roll call. Trustees Crook & Yeager were absent from meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 9 – Wastewater Operator’s Report – Public Works Director stated things are still working well and no violations occurring.

AGENDA ITEM 10 – Police Department Report – Chief Liebenow mentioned that the grants have started back up with the County. He mentioned he is doing backgrounds and interviews with applicants. Chief Liebenow mentioned the radar trailer was out on Hwy 26, both directions, and is currently sitting on Grant Street collecting data. It was mentioned that the squad SUV was in for an oil change recently and it was noticed there are other issues going on. It was suggested to hold off sticking more money into the squad if planning to get rid of squad. Chief Liebenow mentioned sending a safety letter for the school and the proposed new road between RI and the high school. Citizen Jerry Fairbank asked Chief Liebenow when the radar trailer was calibrated because the speed on the trailer didn’t match the speed in his vehicle when he was driving past.

AGENDA ITEM 11 – Committee Updates: No committee updates at this time.

- a. Park Committee
- b. Police Committee
- c. Streets & Sidewalks Committee
- d. Tree Committee
- e. Wastewater Committee

AGENDA ITEM 12 – Approve checks dated November 1, 2024 through November 30, 2024 – Motion was made by Trustees / to approve checks dated November 1, 2024 through November 30, 2024. Motion was carried by a 5-0-2 roll call. Trustees Crook & Yeager were absent.

AGENDA ITEM 13 – Next Village Board Meeting will be held on Monday, January 27, 2024 – 211 N. Grant St. at 5:30 pm – January’s meeting date is scheduled for the 4th Monday vs the 3rd Monday for this month. Back to the 3rd Monday of the month there after unless there is a conflict in the calendar.

AGENDA ITEM 16 – Correspondence – Nothing mentioned.

AGENDA ITEM 17– President’s Report – Nothing mentioned.

AGENDA ITEM 18 – Adjourn the meeting – Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.