

Village Board Meeting Minutes – July 28, 2014 at 7:00 PM - Rosendale Municipal Building

Duane Ciske, Village President

Trustees: Kurt Caramanidis, Elizabeth Crook, John Gruszynske, Rennae Quast, Randy Redmann, and Mark Simon

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AGENDA ITEM 1 - Call Village Board meeting to order - July meeting was called to order at the above time and place by President Duane Ciske and the following were present at this meeting:

Trustees: Kurt Caramanidis, Elizabeth Crook, John Gruszynske, Rennae Quast, Randy Redmann, and Mark Simon

Staff: Public Works Director Dan Holdridge, Chief of Police Kevin Verdine, Village Clerk-Treasurer Doris Tetzlaff and Deputy Clerk Emily Wirkus

Guests: Citizens Jerry Fairbank, Barb James, Mrs. Kuebic, Susan Mittelstaedt, Chuck Rusch, Laura Swayze, Tracy Swayze, Emajeane Westphal, and James Westphal

AGENDA ITEM 2 – Agenda amendments if necessary – None presented.

AGENDA ITEM 3 – Agenda approval – Motion Gruszynske/Caramanidis and carried by a 7-0-0 vote to approve the circulated agenda.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – Approve minutes of 6-23-14 meeting, as circulated - Motion Redmann/Crook and carried by a 6-0-1 roll call vote to approve the circulated minutes of the June meeting without any addition, deletions or corrections.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – Public Comments– Tracy Swayze commented about the status of John-John's. President Ciske stated that it is not sold yet, still working on things and tentative closing is at the end of August. Tracy Swayze stated that any plans have to be approved by Subway Corp. President Ciske stated that the buyer makes the plans, not the Village, but the Village has to approve the plans. Jim Westphal asked if plans were changed from 4-5 years ago. President Ciske said that some plans may have changed.

Emajeane Westphal passed out a copy of a petition that was circulated around the Village. She stated that the people who signed the petition were upset that the Village does not display holiday decorations or flags during certain times of the year. Emajeane also stated how she is proud to live here, but the Village is known as a "speed trap" and she feels we need to be known as something else and to look friendlier as people pass thru town. She stated that because there were no decorations during the Holiday Season "we look like the worst town ever". Emajeane stated that 4-H Clubs and various other clubs said they would help.

Emajeane Westphal asked about decorations/banners that the Village has put up in the past. It was explained that any banners we did have, were damaged and weathered. It was also explained that at the time we had a new employee that could not operate new equipment to install banners/flags on posts. You need more than one person, trained in using the equipment, to install them safely. Emajeane suggested starting at the 4 corners and moving out from there. Jim Westphal stated that it's all about priorities. Trustee Gruszynsky stated he was disappointed that this was a concern and wasn't brought up earlier. Chuck Rusch asked, for the VFW, why no flags were put up for Memorial Day. President Ciske stated it was brought up in 2010 and nobody wanted to spend the money on flags (the flags are currently damaged and need replacement). Trustee Simon suggested getting donations and starting

from there. President Ciske said to refer this discussion with the Park Committee to see what ideas & suggestions they come up with in regards to cost and getting donations.

Jim Westphal mentioned the 3 dead trees in back of the Municipal building. He asked if Joe, Village employee, could help in moving other trees in the Village. Jim stated he would donate the trees if Joe could help him move them.

AGENDA ITEM 6 – Village cost share of Rose-Eld Rd cistern removal – The cistern is located on Rose-Eld Road and Hwy 26. The cistern is half on our right away and half on the lots right away. It is a safety hazard. The cistern needs to be collapsed/crushed and filled properly so water will drain. Motion was made to spend \$500 on the Village share to remove cistern. Motion made by Caramanidis/Quast and carried by a 7-0-0 vote to approve the removal of the Rose-Eld Rd cistern.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – Approve list of paid checks for June 1, 2014 through June 30, 2014 – This agenda item was skipped because it was duplicated as Agenda Item 12.

AGENDA ITEM 8 – Reminder: Primary Election, August 12, 2014 from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM – President Ciske reminded everyone of the Primary Election that will be held at this location, 211 N. Grant St., on August 12, 2014 from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

AGENDA ITEM 9 – Personnel Committee report on hiring of part time employees – It was announced that Dan will be hiring a part-time employee and Chief Verdine has hired to part-time employees. Officer Marchant has resigned with the Rosendale Police Department.

AGENDA ITEM 10 – Applications for Operator license for the following:

Walter Drees, 205 Fern Drive, Rosendale, Rosendale Lion's Club – Motion made by Caramanidis/Gruszynsky carried by a 7-0-0 roll call to approve Operator license.

AGENDA ITEM 11 – Confirm the license for Rosendale Softball – Relay for Life Softball Tournament at Taylor Park on July 25, 26, 27 and bartender licenses for the following:

Sue Duel, 8506 Forest Avenue, Rosendale & Terry Duel, 8506 Forest Avenue, Rosendale – Reason for confirming licenses is because the applications were turned in after the June meeting but after the July meeting and had the understanding the meetings were held on the 3rd Monday of the month and not realizing they were the 4th Monday of the Month. President Ciske made the approval prior to the Softball Tournament. Motion was made by Redmann/Gruszynsky carried by a 7-0-0 roll call confirming the licenses.

AGENDA ITEM 12 – Approve list of paid checks from June 1, 2014 through June 30, 2014 – Motion by Gruszynsky/Crook carried by a 7-0-0 roll call to approve paid checks from June 1, 2014 through June 30, 2014.

AGENDA ITEM 13 – Next meeting date: August 25, 2014 at 7:00 PM – Rosendale Municipal Building, 211 N. Grant Street

AGENDA ITEM 14 – Correspondence – Village Clerk Doris Tetzlaff read a thank you letter from the City of Ripon for the \$300.00 donation the Village gave towards the fire arms range for the black top.

AGENDA ITEM 15 – President's Report – President Ciske mentioned that you can bring anything up at a Village Board Meeting. If money is involved and/or action is needed to be taken, President Ciske should be contacted by

the Wednesday preceding the meeting so that it can be put on the agenda. President Ciske explained when items are not on the agenda you or the Board cannot comment and the Board CANNOT take action.

Emajeau Westphal was upset about the process to put items on the agenda. Trustee Quast questioned about the Municipal Building parking lot being blacktopped. It was explained that the parking lot was re-sealed and that it was already budgeted in this year's budget under "Streets".

Trustee Crook questioned why "committees" were no longer on the agenda. It was explained that when Committees have a meeting, they will contact President Ciske, President Ciske will put the Committee on the agenda and the Committee will be allowed report to everyone what was discussed at the said Committee meeting.

Jerry Fairbank mentioned the duplicated "check approval list" and skipping of "approve agenda". It was explained that it was an error.

President Ciske again stated that he is aware that things come up that should be brought up at a Village Board meeting by the public. The public can say what they want to say, but when things need to be acted on, it needs to be put on the agenda. The public can speak about anything; just no action can be made at that time. The items on the agenda are on there so that the whole Village is aware what is being discussed. Village residents are welcome to come to the Board meetings to voice an opinion with the items listed on the agenda. The agenda items can be discussed and/or explained and/or acted upon. When items are not put on agenda and topics get brought up, nothing can be acted upon due to the fact that everyone should be aware of what is being discussed and/or acted upon at a Village Board meeting. It was explained that anything "money related" needs to be put on the agenda for any action to be made.

AGENDA ITEM 16 – Any other business pertinent to efficient village operation – Nothing mentioned.

AGENDA ITEM 17 –Adjourn the meeting - All business was concluded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.