

Village Board Meeting Minutes – March 18, 2024 at 5:30 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 – March 18, 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, Dan Degner, Jeremy Giebel, Tammy Pflum & Tricia Yeager

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

Citizens: Kevin Engel, Jerry Fairbank, Chris Morgan, Sarah Van Buren Emajean & Jim Westphal, Eva Engel, Aubrey Leonard, Tierney Madigan, Finley Morgan, Payton Morgan

AGENDA ITEM 2 – Pledge of Allegiance

AGENDA ITEM 3 – Approve minutes of 2-19-24, as circulated – Motion was made by Trustees Degner/Pflum to approve the minutes from the 2-19-24 meeting with the corrections. Motion was carried by a 5-0-2 roll call. Trustee Giebel abstained and Trustee Madigan was absent from meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – Public Comments – Nothing mentioned.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – Update from Envision Greater FDL – Sarah Van Buren with Envision Greater of FDL spoke about Envision Greater and other programs they assist with. She also mentioned a workforce program specialist and the ROCK program.

AGENDA ITEM 6 – Discuss & approve, if necessary, dissolving working with Tom Meikeljohn with the Taylor Park Pavilion Project and contract Thomas Schwarz Consulting LLC for the Taylor Park Pavilion Project – Jim Westphal spoke and explained the newest update. He mentioned he has been working with Thomas Schwarz and have come up with a new plan/design and would like to move forward with the Taylor Park Pavilion Project. Motion was made by Trustees Degner/Yeager to dissolve working with Tom Meikeljohn and contract Thomas Schwartz Consulting LLC for the Taylor Park Pavilion Project. Motion was carried by a 6-0-1 roll call. Trustee Madigan was absent from the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 7 –Discuss & approve, if necessary, moving forward with the bidding process for the new Taylor Park Shelter with rest rooms & serving area– Jim Westphal explained the plan and the pricing. Jim Westphal explained what the new shelter would look like and materials used. Trustee Giebel asked if the ARPA funds needed to be spent by the end of 2024. Clerk Emily Wirkus thought the project using the APRA funds had to be started/designated by the end of 2024. President Caramanidis asked for applause for Jim & Emajean Westphal and the Bluemkes Inc family in thanks for their generous donation towards the new Park Pavilion Shelter. Motion was made by Trustees Degner/Yeager to move forward with the bidding process for the new Taylor Park Shelter with rest rooms & serving area. Motion was carried by a 6-0-1 roll call. Trustee Madigan was absent from the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 8 – Discuss & approve, if necessary, the purchase of a new truck, plow & salter – It was mentioned that we currently have a 2016 plow/dump truck. Public Works Director Jeremy Tabbert is doing research while the current truck is still worth money to sell or trade. Jeremy Tabbert brought in his truck he had built as his last employer so everyone could see. It was mentioned that our current truck is diesel and we are not using it as much as it should be used. There is a concern about emissions issues in the near future due to it being a diesel truck. It was mentioned that the truck is useful for the Public Works department in the Village for the different work that needs to be done. It was mentioned that Lenz Truck offered \$49K to purchase truck. It was mentioned that we could put on the auction site. It was mentioned that other people offered \$38K. It was mentioned that we are looking to take advantage of the market if we can. Motion was made to approve up to \$40K to use for new truck and to sell the old truck by Trustees Degner/Giebel. Motion was carried by a 6-0-0 roll call. Trustee Madigan was absent from the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 9 – Police Department Report – Chief Tony Liebenow mentioned that Public Works Director Jeremy Tabbert had the “right turn only” sign made for hanging on the stop sign on the corner of S. Grant Street and W. Division Street. Chief Liebenow also mentioned that a new battery for the squad truck was purchased, evidence has been cleaned up, reports have been updated, PBT class was taken and had 2 applications turned in for the officer position.

AGENDA ITEM 10 – Wastewater Operator’s Report – Public Works Director Jeremy Tabbert mentioned that the monthly report that was created by MSA has incorrect bar graphs in the packet as they don’t show Village data. Jeremy Tabbert stated that MSA is great to work with and everything is going smooth. Jeremy Tabbert said they have a meeting with the DNR on Wednesday to go over updates and requirements. Trustee Giebel questioned the 1<sup>st</sup> two action items in the pamphlet and it was mentioned that Dan Holdridge had scheduled them before he left and they were done.

AGENDA ITEM 11 – Proclamation congratulating the Laconia Girls Basketball team for their WIAA Division 4 State Championship win – President Caramanidis stated that Trustee Dan Degner suggested doing a Proclamation for the Laconia Girls Basketball team. President Caramanidis read the Proclamation out loud and added that the girls did a phenomenal job. President Caramanidis presented the plaque with Proclamation to Chris Morgan and the team that was able to make the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 12– Approve checks dated February 1, 2024 through February 29, 2024 – Motion was made by Trustees Pflum/Degner to approve checks dated January 1, 2024 through January 31, 2024. Motion was carried by a 6-0-1 roll call. Trustee Madigan was absent from the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 13 – Next Village Board Meeting will be held on Monday, April 15, 2024 – 211 N. Grant St. at 5:30 pm

AGENDA ITEM 14 – Correspondence – Nothing mentioned.

AGENDA ITEM 15 – President’s Report – President Caramanidis mentioned that Trustee Dan Degner is resigning from the Rosendale Village Board due to moving out of the Village limits. President Caramanidis thanked him for his service on our Board. Trustee Dan Degner thanked the Village Board & staff for all they do and looks forward to continue to help the Village in the future as he isn’t moving too far away.

AGENDA ITEM 16 – Adjourn the meeting – Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm. Light social was had after meeting for the Laconia Girls Basketball team and for Dan Degner’s resignation as Village Trustee.

