

## **SPECIAL MEETING – October 29, 2019**

President Hackl called the Special Meeting of the Muscoda Village Board to order at 6:00 pm in the Meal Site Room of the Kratochwill Memorial Building. The following members were present: Anderson, Bartlett, Bindl, Blood, Miller and Wiederholt. Also present: Schramm, Wardell, and Johnson.

**PROOF OF PUBLICATION:** Motion Bartlett, second Wiederholt to accept the Proof of Publication. Motion carried.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

### **WORK ON 2020 BUDGET:**

The year-end pool report was distributed and discussed. Pool Director Cheryl Miller had a list of suggestions for 2020 and the Board reviewed each of them:

- Pool Operator Certification for Lauree VanDeHey – Wardell noted that Hill and Wanek are both trained and did not see a need for another certified operator.
- Evening registrations – Board agreed to have evening registrations for passes and lessons at the Kratochwill Building.
- Charging for swim team – After discussion, it was decided to leave as no charge for swim team participants but they need to have either a single or family pass.
- Prices for use of pool – Looked at revenues versus expenses. There is no way to charge enough to pay all the expenses. It was decided to leave prices as is.
- Wardell has a list of the items needed for 2020 and items that need to be fixed.

Johnson distributed draft budgets for the General Fund, Electric, Water and Sewer Departments; 2020 budget notes which explained increases and decreases in various accounts; and an itemized list of capital reserve balances.

Johnson went through each category in detail of the general fund budget explaining changes for the 2020 proposed budget and the accounts with zero amounts relate to wages and benefits. Estimated expenses relating to the proposed storm sewer project on Iowa Street were arrived at from the actual cost of reconstruction of S 2<sup>nd</sup> Street from Warehouse to Catherine earlier this year. Amounts were calculated for General Fund, Water and Sewer utilities and placed in the appropriate accounts. This project will only be completed if the Village receives the 90% MLS grant from the State. If approved, this project would start at the storm drain between Walsh's Ace Hardware and the Copper Lounge, head northwest through the parking lot by Bender Foods then north on Iowa Street to the retention basin on Greentree Trail and then west for two blocks to 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. The project would include storm sewers, water and sewer mains, curb and gutter, sidewalk and street reconstruction.

After detailed information on the budgets, Johnson presented calculations on benefits (health, dental, retirement, life and disability) showing 2019 and 2020 numbers. For health insurance three scenarios were done just to give the Board an idea on cost. Per the State, the Village cannot pay more than 88% of the average for Grant County and those numbers are \$555.38 for a single monthly policy and \$1,358.95 for a family monthly policy.

A wage sheet and supervisor evaluation forms were also distributed.

The Board will discuss wages and benefits in closed session.

**DISCUSSION / ACTION ON ATTENDANCE AT ANNUAL MEUW DINNER MEETING:**

The annual MEUW dinner meeting will be Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at The Old Mill in Mazomanie or on Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at Reds in Cuba City. **Motion** Anderson, second Wiederholt to authorize Hackl, Bindl and Wardell to attend the annual MEUW dinner meeting on Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> in Mazomanie. **Motion carried.**

**DISCUSSION / ACTION ON CONSTRUCTION OF PROPOSED BOAT LANDING PROJECT:**

Due to the high river levels and being late in the year the Board discussed not having any construction start this year for the boat landing project. **Motion** Bindl, second Anderson to rescind their motion from October 8<sup>th</sup> which gave the contractor until November 30, 2019 for substantial completion on the boat landing construction project. **Motion carried. Motion** Anderson, second Bartlett to notify the contractor of the boat landing improvements project that no construction shall start in 2019 and final completion will be no later than June 15, 2020. **Motion carried.**

**REVIEW EVALUATIONS OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES AND CONDUCT EVALUATIONS OF SUPERVISORS:** discussed in closed session Wis SS 19.85(1)(c)

**UPDATE ON UTILITY SERVICE FOR LARGE INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMER:** discussed in closed session Wis SS 19.85(1)(e)

**Motion** Anderson, second Bartlett to adjourn into closed session to review evaluations of public employees and conduct evaluations of supervisors pursuant to Wis SS 19.85(1)(c) and receive update on utility service for large industrial customer pursuant to Wis SS 19.85(1)(e). **Roll call vote: Yes:** Bartlett, Wiederholt, Miller, Anderson, and Hackl. **No:** none. **Motion Carried.**

Schramm left at this time. Johnson and Wardell stayed for the update on large industrial customer.

Wardell and Johnson left at this time. The Board discussed wages and benefits. Information needed: amount of life insurance per employee, 80% of life policies are paid by Village-is that required, deductible for health insurance and percent paid in 2019, and coverage for dental.

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION:** **Motion** Anderson, second Miller to reconvene in open session. **Motion carried.**

**ACTION, IF ANY, AND IF REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE TAKEN IN OPEN SESSION ON CLOSED SESSION MATTER:** The Board had questions on benefits and scheduled a meeting for November 11<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

**ADJOURNMENT:** **Motion** Wiederholt, second Blood to adjourn meeting. **Motion carried.**

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Cinda Johnson, Village Administrator Clerk