

## **SPECIAL MEETING – July 21, 2020**

President Hackl called the Special meeting of the Muscoda Village Board to order at 6:30pm in the Council Chambers of the Kratochwill Memorial Building. The following members were present: Anderson, Bartlett, Bindl, Miller and Wiederholt. Also present: Johnson, and Chief Schramm.

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

**APPEARANCE FROM NIKOLAUS VAUGHAN-EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT, ACTION IF NECESSARY:** Nikolaus was not able to attend.

### **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON ORDINANCE REGULATING CHICKENS IN THE VILLAGE:**

Chief Schramm presented a draft ordinance regulating chickens within the Village limits. The ordinance regulates number of not more than six, no roosters, size space and location of building, application process and State regulations. The Board reviewed the draft ordinance and made a few changes. **Motion** Bartlett, second Miller to adopt an ordinance on regulating the keeping of chickens in the Village. **Roll call vote: Yes:** Miller, Anderson, Bindl, Bartlett, Wiederholt and Hackl. **NO:** none. **Motion carried.**

**PRESENTATION FROM JOHNSON BLOCK AND COMPANY ON 2019 AUDIT-ACTION IF NECESSARY:** Auditor Bill Moilien presented the 2019 audit to the Board. The General Fund continues to maintain an excellent working capital position with an unassigned fund balance of over two million dollars. The minimum level required by the Village's policy is 15% of expenditures or \$302,467. The Electric and Water Utilities reported a favorable operating income while the Sewer Fund showed an operating loss again this year of \$65,568. Moilien also explained the investment policy that is governed by State Statutes and that the Cemetery and Library funds have investments that are not allowed. Johnson was instructed to put Cemetery investments on the August agenda. Hackl will speak with the Library Board. Fund balance designation – Moilien explained the difference between Committed Funds and Assigned Funds. If the Board elects to designate a portion of the fund balance as Committed, it takes a Resolution to move those funds to a different category, whereas, Assigned funds can be moved by the Administrator with Board approval. It was suggested to write a press release based of the 2019 Financial Highlights to prepare the residents for the sewer increase. **Motion** Bartlett, second Anderson to accept the 2019 audit report. **Motion carried.**

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON PURCHASING A THERMAL IMAGING CAMERA FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT:** Chief Schramm reported that the cost of the thermal imaging camera, which was already approved to be purchased, is more than anticipated. He suggested using money from the Police auction and Police budget funds. **Motion** Miller, second Wiederholt to purchase the thermal imaging camera at \$600. **Motion carried.**

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON POLICE PERSONNEL ISSUE:** closed session

**CONSIDERATION OF ADJOURNING INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS A POLICE PERSONNEL ISSUE PURSUANT TO WIS SS 19.85(1)(c):** Motion Wiederholt,

second Miller to adjourn into closed session. **Roll call vote: Yes:** Miller, Anderson, Bindl, Bartlett, Wiederholt and Hackl. **No:** none. **Motion carried.**

Johnson left at this time.

**RETURN TO AND RECONVENING IN OPEN SESSION: Motion** Wiederholt, second Miller to reconvene in open session. **Roll call vote: Yes:** Miller, Anderson, Bindl, Bartlett, Wiederholt and Hackl. **No:** none. **Motion carried.**

**ACTION, IF ANY, AND IF REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE TAKEN IN OPEN SESSION ON CLOSED SESSION MATTER:** No action taken.

**ADJOURNMENT: Motion** Bartlett, second Anderson to adjourn the meeting. **Motion carried.**

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Cinda Johnson, Village Administrator Clerk