

SPECIAL MEETING – September 22, 2020

President Hackl called the Special meeting of the Muscoda Village Board to order at 5:30pm at 124 N Wisconsin Avenue. The following members were present: Anderson, Bartlett, Miller and Wiederholt. Also present: Johnson, Schramm, and Wardell.

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

TOUR OF DOWNTOWN BUSINESS AT 124 N WISCONSIN AVENUE:

Owner of the property, Kim Seifert, explained her plan for remodeling. President Hackl, Trustees Anderson and Bartlett viewed the upstairs apartments, Anderson and Bartlett also viewed the basement.

Reconvene to Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

1. MEMORIAL BENCH IN PARK:

President Hackl was approached about placing a bench at Riverside Park in memory of a baby boy. **Motion** Wiederholt, second Miller to approve the memorial bench at Riverside Park contingent on site plan. **Motion carried.**

2. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MEETING WITH VILLAGE OF CASSVILLE:

An email has been received from the Village of Cassville asking to meet with the Village Board to view our recreational facilities and industrial Park. Johnson was instructed to offer them to meet on September 29th or October 6th at 5:30pm.

3. ALLOCATION OF COVID-19 RECHARGE FUNDS THROUGH WPPI:

The Village has been allocated \$4,200 from WPPI to be used in connection with the COVID-19 public health emergency to provide charitable donations and other acts of goodwill. The funds are intended to be used to help get through the challenge of the pandemic. The Board discussed ideas for use of the funds. **Motion** Bartlett, second Miller to allocate the WPPI Covid-19 recharge funds as follows: \$2,600 to Riverdale School District for additional playground equipment and as a thank you for working through the pandemic Riverdale Health Care-\$500, Firemen-\$400, EMS-\$300, Village Employees-\$300 and Village Board \$100. **Motion carried.**

4. ALLOCATION OF COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS FUNDS THROUGH WPPI:

Motion Bartlett, second Anderson to allocate the annual Community Contributions Funds of \$750 each to Muscoda Sportsman's Club and Riverdale Area Food Pantry. **Motion carried.**

5. CLOSING STREETS FOR FLAG FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT:

Chief Schramm informed the Board that there will be a flag football tournament at the Jaycee Ballpark on Saturday, September 26th and he would like to have Division Street closed between 3rd and 4th Streets. **Motion** Anderson, second Bartlett to close Division Street from 3rd to 4th Streets on September 26th for a flag football tournament. **Motion carried.**

PREPARING FOR 2021 BUDGET:

Johnson distributed budget comparison worksheet, health insurance prices and examples for employer contributions. Board members were asked for any projects or ideas for 2021 budget.

Johnson informed the Board that Don Bennett, former owner of Lancaster Car Wash, has a used “dollar” change machine plus some new parts and he would like to get \$500 for it. **Motion** Wiederholt, second Anderson to offer \$100 for a used “dollar” change machine plus parts from Don Bennett. **Motion carried.**

Johnson explained that the Hidden Valley’s magazine is now offering mobile app options. The smaller package is \$84.70 per year and the larger advertising package if \$127.05. **Motion** Anderson, second Bartlett to advertise in the Hidden Valley’s mobile app store for \$127.05 per year. **Motion carried.**

Budget items:

- Replacement of squad #02
- Replacement of squad cameras-this expense should be covered by grants
- Additional parking area at Riverside Park-may be to the east of bathhouse along River Road
- No street reconstruction projects for 2021
- Need to start saving for Iowa Street reconstruction which will include storm water, water mains, sanitary sewer mains, sidewalk, curb/gutter and paving.

CLOSED SESSION MATTERS: (discussion and possible action on the following)

- Review evaluations of general employees and conduct evaluations of supervisors: Wis. SS 19.85(1)(c)
- Revolving Loans application #20-03 and #20-04: Wis. SS 19.85(1)(f)
- Purchase of property for future development: Wis. SS 19.85(1)(e)
- Sale of Village owned property: Wis. SS 19.85(1)(e)

Motion Anderson, second Bartlett, to adjourn into closed session for the following: Review evaluations of general employees and conduct evaluations of supervisors Wis. SS 19.85(1)(c), Revolving Loan applications #20-03 and #20-04: Wis. SS 19.85(1)(f), Purchase of property for future development and sale of Village owned property Wis. SS 19.85(1)(e). **Roll call vote: Yes-Anderson, Bartlett, Miller, Wiederholt and Hackl. No-none. Motion carried.**

Review of evaluations were postponed.

Chief Schramm left at this time.

Revolving Loan #20-03: As instructed, Johnson emailed Tisdale the questions on collateral and his response is as follows: “The village will get a first on the buildings and property the buildings are on. I do not want to tie up any other property or equipment as I may need it for collateral to expand in the future. This would enable me to use conventional sources of funding without having to come back to the revolving fund.” The Board discussed the email response and instructed Johnson to obtain an updated equipment collateral list which would include removal of items sold and add new equipment purchased.

Revolving Loan #20-04: Johnson was asked to leave for this discussion. Upon returning, she was informed that Wardell is to obtain additional information.

Future development: At this time the School District said no to sale of property. A meeting will be scheduled to meet with Robert Schmidt to discuss purchasing of his property.

Sale of land: Johnson reported that an email has been received from John Beatty, owner of Midwest Black Locust, inquiring if the Board is still interested in working with him on the sale of property to the east of the landfill. Johnson was instructed to inform Beatty that the Board is interested in receiving his offer to purchase the property.

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

Johnson was instructed to contact the Village of Cassville, and the owner of a parcel of land on Old P to arrange meetings either on September 29th or October 6th at 5:30pm

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

Cinda Johnson

Cinda Johnson, Village Administrator Clerk