

SPECIAL MEETING – October 29, 2024

President Hackl called the Special Meeting of the Muscoda Village Board to order at 6:00pm in the Council Chambers of the Kratochwill Memorial Building. The following members were present: Anderson, Imhoff, E Johnson, and Wiederholt. Also present: Schramm, Wardell, and Johnson

PROOF OF PUBLICATION:

Motion Anderson, second Imhoff to accept Proof of Publication. **Motion carried.**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ON APPOINTMENT TO WPPI BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Hackl stated that she has been unable to attend WPPI Director meetings and would like to see Wardell and Doudna as Directors. **Motion** Anderson, second Imhoff to appoint Troy Wardell and Carla Doudna to the Village of Muscoda WPPI Board of Directors. **Motion carried.**

DISCUSSION ON 2025 PROPOSED BUDGETS:

Administrator Johnson reviewed all the budgets in detail. The levy limit for the Village is \$900,000. The draft budget has the following assumptions in it:

- \$900,000 general fund tax levy
- \$ 35,000 from Grant County Highway Aid Matching Fund project
- \$ 96,750 Fire District Budget amount
- \$135,000 downtown parking lot expansion – there would be a water infiltration inlet to help with the ponding water behind Wisconsin Avenue businesses. There would be approximately 18-20 additional parking spaces.
- \$100,000 future public works projects
- \$ 75,000 loan payment
- \$ 6,000 interest on proposed loan-this was an estimate, however, after speaking with Clare Bank a loan in the amount of \$750,000 would be 4.99% interest rate and 2025 interest payment would be \$35,000. This amount will be changed in the proposed budget.

Wardell presented information from Cintas on uniforms for the Public Works/Wastewater Employees. **Motion** Wiederholt, second E Johnson to proceed with uniforms for the Public Works/Wastewater Employees. **Motion carried.**

Wardell obtained quotes for a new sewer jetter and camera. Cost is \$96,638 less \$10,250 for trade in with a final cost of \$86,388. The hoses on the jetter are leaking and it has some other issues. Wardell was instructed to get another quote and to call Wisconsin Surplus to see if they had an estimate on what a jetter would bring if sold through them.

Trustee Johnson asked about applying for the Wisconsin Vibrant Spaces Grant for the downtown parking lot expansion. Administrator Johnson will contact Delta 3 to check on this grant possibility.

Chief Schramm distributed photos on the squad graphics. He will look for different options. Also discussed the winter parking ordinance which will be placed on the November agenda.

Salt shed roof needs repairs. Wardell was instructed to obtain quotes for a new steel roof.

AMI meters: Chris Chartier from WPPI will be at the November meeting to explain this metering option, benefits and what these meters do. Questions on how far the wireless reception will reach (mill dam area, cabins on the Wisconsin River), payback, down payment when ordering, etc.

Administrator Johnson asked about starting the November meeting at 6pm since there are three appearances and several items on the agenda. The Board decided to start the November 12th meeting at 6pm.

President Hackl announced that as of 9:00pm this evening she is resigning her position as Village President.

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

Cinda Johnson
Cinda Johnson, Village Administrator