

Approved BOARD MINUTES October 26, 2021

The Village Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Mayor Manicki, who led the pledge to the flag.

Due to Covid-19 this meeting was conducted with social distancing.

The public was invited to join by following social distancing guidelines.

PRESENT: Mayor Manicki, Trustees Prucnal, Becker, Refermat & Pruitt, Clerk Galbraith, Attorney Trapp, Superintendent Pruitt, Eugene Nuwer, Shawn & Cameron Eastland, Patrick Cavanaugh, Albert Boucher, Kevin Wypij and Dan Czelsuta.

Absent: CEO Czechowski,

MOTION by Trustee Prucnal, seconded by Trustee Becker, to approve the minutes dated October 12, 2021. On the question – no comment, 5 ayes, Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Pruitt, seconded by Trustee Prucnal, to approve the minutes dated October 14, 2021. On the question – Trustee Becker abstained, 4 ayes, Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Refermat, seconded by Trustee Pruitt, to approve for payment bills on abstract dated October 26, 2021.

Payroll \$43,844.57

Abstract \$27,011.06

On the question – no comment, 5 ayes, Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Becker seconded by Trustee Pruitt, to approve the following monthly reports: for September - Treasurer and for October – Safety Committee. On the question – no comment, 5 ayes, Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

New Teamsters Business Agent – Mark Boling. Minutes from the Town of Alden and Erie County Village Officials Association.

MOTION by Trustee Refermat, seconded by Trustee Becker, to file as received all correspondence. On the question –no comment, 5 ayes, Carried.

Resolutions/Appointments/Requests/Motions for October 26, 2021

MOTION by Trustee Prucnal and seconded by Trustee Becker, to approve the fire/EMS calls for September 25 – October 8, 2021. On the question: 5 ayes, carried.

MOTION by Trustee Becker and seconded by Trustee Prucnal, to approve the creation of the position, Temporary Assistant Mechanic to be paid at a rate 15% less than the mechanic rate (\$25.47) for the purpose of properly training the new mechanic. As per contract it will have to be posted at the shop for five days. On the question: 5 ayes, carried.

MOTION by Trustee Refermat and seconded by Trustee Pruitt, to approve my recommendation of Gary Pellittieri to the position of Motor Equipment Operator at a rate 5% less than the MEO rate (\$26.62) effective October 27, 2021. On the question: 5 ayes, carried.

MOTION by Trustee Becker and seconded by Trustee Prucnal, to approve my recommendation of Rita M. Felschow to the position of DPW Clerk at a rate (\$17.00) affective as soon as they can start. If accepted and subject to passing the background and drug testing, she is willing to start as soon as Nov. 2, 2021. On the question: 5 ayes, carried.

MOTION by Trustee Prucnal and seconded by Trustee Refermat, to approve the following equipment surplus, old V plow that is rotted out, old broom that was fabricated for the trackless that is shot and wore out, original blower for trackless that was for parts only. On the question: 5 ayes, carried.

MOTION by Trustee Prucnal and seconded by Trustee Refermat, to set a Public Hearing November 23, 2021, at 7:40 pm to hear comments regarding the proposed water rate increases. On the question: 5 ayes, carried.

BUSINESS FROM FLOOR-

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES/DEPARTMENT

Trustee Becker – will not be at the Nov. 9 Work Session but plans to attend the meeting.

Clerk Galbraith- thanked the residents for all their help with the quarterly reads, hoping transmitters can be replaced soon.

Attorney Trapp – reminded the resident the Public Hearing for cannabis will be Nov. 9

Superintendent Pruitt – GHD is finalizing Phase III of WWTP, will be replacing EID for water meter customers, started roof on DPW, Union Concrete will be working on the Elm St. drainage project beginning 11/1, will notify the residents. Thank you, Sue, for help on the CDBG paperwork submission.

Mayor Manicki –no town contact, so nothing on the fire contract. Town resident distributed flyers with concerns that the village water may contain PFA. PFAS also known as per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances are a broad group of chemicals made by man. Once these substances are released from the principal site – which can be factory, industry, or even household – they are transported through the action of rain to nearby surface water. These substances also seep into soils, making their way to groundwater where they remain over time due to their persistent nature. The village does test for PFA, even though not yet required and it is not an issue. Please take time to vote.

UNFINISHED AND TABLED BUSINESS:

Bike Path-

Emergency Contact System –

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Prucnal, seconded by Trustee Pruitt, to adjourn at 7:40p.m.

I respectfully submit.

Sue Galbraith,
Village Clerk