

MISHICOT VILLAGE BOARD
Regular Meeting
February 5, 2019

The February 5, 2019, regular meeting of the Mishicot Village Board was called to order by President Samz at 7:00 p.m. in the village hall. Roll call indicated Trustees Franz, Haack, Kliment, Krause, and Scheuer were present. Trustee Valenta was absent due to illness. Chief Paul Granger was absent and excused. John Tulachka and Officer Stueck were also present, as well as Al Beranek, two students from Mishicot High School observing, several residents from Laduron Drive, Andrea Novak, Joe and Julie Baril on behalf of the Bikers Against Bullying.

President Samz led all those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Kliment moved to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2019. Motion seconded by Trustee Krause. Motion carried.

The citizens from the Laduron Drive area were present to ask about the current status of the zoning code violations occurring in their neighborhood. There appear to be businesses that continue to run out of two of the neighborhood properties. Chief Granger was not present, but Officer Stueck gave a brief report of legal action being taken. Trustee Samz stated that the village continues its work to strengthen village ordinances and to increase penalties for violations, particularly in the area of zoning.

Officer Stueck gave a report on behalf of Chief Granger. The new squad is in but is currently in Manitowoc getting graphics done. Then there will be a 4-5 week wait for radios and equipment installation. It is thought the squad will be fully operational by about mid-March. He noted that we will occasionally see the squad around the village, as they will be using it in its present state. Officer Stueck noted that the School District has been hosting several large sporting events for basketball and wrestling. The officers have been present at those events. Officer Stueck was also called upon to use the Heimlich maneuver on a choking individual at the school. The individual was fine thanks to Officer Stueck's quick response. Officer Dorner and Officer Stueck have been working in the schools as Student Resource Officers and have had their services highly utilized in recent weeks. The school has enjoyed having the officers in the schools. Officer Stueck will also be working with the district to strengthen security within the schools. The village board notes that the school district is responsible for the cost sharing of wage and benefit amounts earned by the average law enforcement officer in the village, and the school district reimburses the village at a rate of 75%, which is the percentage of time spent in the schools.

John Tulachka reported that the lights on the sledding hill are operating on a timer and are set to turn off at 11:00 p.m., which is the time the park closes. John had David Schmidt take down a tree at the VFW that was dying. Northern Pipe has already been in the village and has performed the 2019 televising. We are currently waiting for their report. John has ordered the first stage of water run orders, which includes about 12 residents. He and Adam continue to watch frost levels. The village has experienced a few homes that have frozen, but in those cases, the freeze was on the residential customer's end; and in all cases, the customers were gone from their homes for an extended period of time, which resulted in no running water within the home during the deep freeze we experienced. The new loader and plow shaved off one hour from the time it normally takes to do snow removal. It also cut down one piece of equipment. On Tuesday last week, they cleared the parking lanes on E. Main and S. Main in 1 ½ hour and hauled 17 loads of snow off the main streets. The tractor will be posted for sale by spring.

Theresa Becker reported that the Ambulance has been very busy with basketball and

wrestling events and with refreshers.

Trustee Krause reported his findings with regard to contact information for a zoning administrator contractor. The village will be following up on the information provided.

Trustee Scheuer reported on Riverfest. Riverfest took in \$54,000, \$44,000 was paid out in expenses, proceeds totaled \$10,000, with approximately \$7100 paid out to the service organizations and groups, and \$1,100 paid to the village as a Riverfest contribution toward electrical panel work in the park, with the balance of less than \$2,000 left for the Riverfest fund to be applied to next year. Trustee Scheuer further reported that he has committed concert sponsors in the amount of \$9,450. These are very significant donations toward the summer concerts and are much appreciated by our community and the village itself.

Andrea Novak and Joe Baril addressed the board with their request for street closure and noise ordinance waiver for a charity ride, "Bikers Against Bullying," on Saturday, June 15, 2019. The requests are being made on behalf of the group, Crow Bar and Wolfe's Den. Mr. Baril discussed the ride details with Chief Granger. They are requesting street closure on N. Rockway between E. Main and Elizabeth Street, and closure of Elizabeth Street from N. Rockway to Spruce, with the plan to have a majority of bike parking to occur along the closed streets rather than on the main street. Manitowoc County may be able to provide reserve officers to help out. Chief Granger had concerns about drivers leaving there under the influence of alcohol. Andrea Novak addressed that with 200 Safe Ride vouchers, and she said she could get more if she needed to. Regarding noise, they would like to be able to have bands until 11:00 p.m. President Samz reviewed with the group Chief Granger's concerns about drinking and the potential size of the crowd. Currently, there are 70 people signed up for the ride, with 956 interested. Andrea noted that weather will play a big part in the attendance. Joe Baril said his group will try to keep an eye on the drinking. He said group members do not plan on drinking but will be on the watch making sure there is no trouble. Brandon stated that there will be police staffing of three for sure or perhaps more depending upon the county and the number of people at the event. Mr. Baril said he would like to see this become an annual event, possibly expanding into a rally. Notice should go to the apartment dwellers and the residents along the closed streets. Andrea will talk with Paul Granger about the apartment garage and whether or not access is needed or if the residents will be OK with it closed off for the time being. President Samz also noted that Chief Granger did not want to see alcohol leaving the premises of each bar. Trustee Haack moved to allow Bikers Against Bullying Chapter 12 to hold their event on June 15, 2019, including street closure of North Rockway between E. Main and Elizabeth, and Elizabeth between North Rockway and Spruce Street. Bands shall end at 10:00 p.m., the group shall provide two Manitowoc County Reserve Deputies; no alcohol shall be served in glass. If reserve deputies cannot be provided, then two paid officers shall be provided. There is a charge of \$300 for six hours for two reserve deputies. There is a charge of \$75 per hour for two full time paid deputies. Trustee Kliment seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The board decided to cancel its agreement with Town Web Design. The board is interested in starting over with CivicPlus. A proposal was received from CivicPlus. The clerk was asked to gather more information such as would the village be locked in to a contract for a three-year period; will there be an actual contract to sign; and what is the difference is between their custom design and their template designs. The matter will remain on the agenda for next meeting.

The board set another meeting for the Committee of the Whole to meet on Wednesday, February 13, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. at the village hall to meet in closed session to continue discussion on village staffing, retirement replacement, and compensation.

There were no alcohol license applications presented for approval by the board.

President Samz introduced general fund claims in the amount of \$10,735.30, water utility fund claims in the amount of \$1,112.29, and sewer utility fund claims in the amount of \$1,783.21 for Board action. A motion was made by Trustee Haack to accept the claims as presented and posted. Motion seconded by Trustee Kliment that claims totaling \$13,630.80 be approved and the Treasurer be authorized to issue same. Roll call indicated the following: Ayes – 6; Nays – 0; Absent - 1. Motion carried.

There was no further discussion on the request by Bikers Against Bullying group.

The board, the clerk and John Tulachka discussed the various fee schedule in the Mishicot Water Utility's current tariffs. These fees ranged from NSF fees; bulk water charges; reconnection fees; charges for service lateral extension; fire protection fees, and more. The board offered their suggestions on several, and some of them will be discussed between the clerk and John Tulachka and will be presented to Ruekert and Mielke for their inclusion in the PSC Water Rate application. The main goal of the board is to get the fees more in line with the actual costs of performing services.

The board is considering contracting for zoning administration services. A meeting will be scheduled in the near future to meet with a zoning administrator contractor to discuss his services. This item will remain on the agenda for the next village board meeting.

A request was received by Jacob and Alison Schaus of Baker Lane requesting to combine Baker Lane Parcel Nos. 035-556-002-002.00 and 035-556-002-001.00. Trustee Kliment moved to approve the combination of parcels as submitted in the Schaus application to combine parcels. Motion seconded by Trustee Scheuer. Motion carried.

Ruekert and Mielke are preparing to send the E. Church Street project out for bids and are requesting information about which pedestrian path is preferred connecting Fox Hills to S. State Street. It was determined jointly with Fox Hills that probably Option 2A, running the longer distance with a width of 4' would be the most preferable option. This is the option that will be discussed with Ruekert and Mielke to be considered as an alternate in the E. Church Street bid. Trustee Krause moved that Option 2A be the alternate in the E. Church Street bid, with a current estimated cost of \$42,120 and that the village is willing to work with Fox Hills regarding cost and a deferred payment plan. Motion seconded by Trustee Franz. Roll call indicated the following: Ayes – 6; Nays – 0; Absent – 1.

The time of the February 19 meeting will be 6:00 p.m., at Village Hall.

With all communications having been read and with no further current business before the Board, a motion was made by Trustee Haack and seconded by Trustee Scheuer that the regular meeting of the Mishicot Village Board adjourn to the next regular meeting to be held at **6:00 p.m.** on Tuesday, February 19, 2019, at the village hall. Motion carried by acclamation, and the Board stood adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Minutes posted February 15, 2019.

Connie Tesarik, Village Clerk-Treasurer