Village of Roberts

Village Board Meeting

February 14, 2011 – 7:00 PM

The Village Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Moeri.

The meeting was properly noticed in the Central St. Croix News and posted in three locations in the Village of Roberts.

Members Present: Willard Moeri, Chuck Pizzi, Peter Tharp, Rand Waughtal, Katy Kapaun, Scott Gerhardt and Nathan Stork.

Visitors: John Bond, Dan Burgess, Brenda Hackman, Mary Imboden, Terry Dull, Julia Ybarro-Young, Norman Matzek, Kim Hamilton, Leland Johnson, Gerilynne Wood, William Radosevich and Angi Goodwin-Ayres.

Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve Meeting Minutes from January 10, 2011 Regular Board Minutes and Special Board Meeting on January 19, 2011 by Pizzi and seconded by Gerhardt. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report by Kapaun, seconded by Waughtal. Motion carried.

Public Concerns

- Leland Johnson brought to the attention a parking ticket that was issued over the weekend and felt it possibly should not have been issued.
- Nate Stork brought up the sidewalks on Warren Street and asked when it would be done. The public works department is waiting for the new equipment to be delivered and Warren Street will be cleaned at that time.

Communications

- **Friends of St. Croix County Nursing Home – Norman Matzek**

Mr. Matzek is looking for the Village Board to write a letter in support of the County Nursing Home. Mr. Matzek described what the process has been to date. He explained the budget process and also what has taken place recently at County Board meetings. This will be placed on the March agenda.

Department Reports

Police Department – Dan Burgess

- Monthly Report –Reviewed report.
- Increase in accidents since the beginning of the year. There was a fatality.
- Attended Chief training. Risk Management for police safety was one class.
- Squad car should be received this week and then will be set up.
- Union Pacific has notified us that rail speeds will be increasing. Currently working on a presentation with Union Pacific for the school district.
- The Chief discussed the issues with the school and the bus loading zone. Citations have been written.

Director of Public Works – John Bond

- Received letter from the DNR regarding being billed for using the groundwater. This is new.
- The treatment plant was hit with heating fuel oil. John was able to control the problems at zero cost but the help of neighboring plants.

Committee Reports and Recommendations

Park/Urban Forestry Board – Chuck Pizzi

- Met to discuss the vinyl covers for the seat which will help preserve the wood for many years.
- The ball field was redone last October at a lower cost. Emerald Green came in and regarded it, reseeded the field and a waterway was put in. The cost was $4,200.

Plan Commission - None

- Building Inspector Report – None

CDA Board – None

Public Safety - None

Public Works Committee - None

Finance Committee - None

Fire Association – January 19, 2011 – Scott Gerhardt

- Discussed purchase of the squad car and price was too high.
- The new pumper truck was put in the ditch this winter and damage was $3,900.
- Purchased a new snowmobile.
- Applying for grant for new tanker truck.

Library Board –Katy Kapaun/Brenda Hackman

- Will be adding additional part time help.
- Will be pursuing a "Friends of the Library" group.
- Revising the internal budget.
- A list of citizens interested in the vacancy on the board has been made.
- The signage of the new building is being worked on.
- The locks between the library and community room will need to be changed.
- The Library Board is looking to change their meeting date to the first Tuesday of the Month.
- Tiger Cub Pack came to the Library.
- Preschool story time started in February.
- Thanks to Pete Close for the additional lighting.

Old Business

New Business

- **Employee Education Requests and Expense Reports**

Motion to approveemployee education requests for Sandy Goulette, Brian Anderson and John Bond by Pizzi, seconded by Gerhardt. Motion carried.

- **Operator's License**

Motion to approve Operator's License for Alex McMartin by Kapaun, seconded by Pizzi. Motion carried.

- **Roberts Good Neighbor Days – June 2-5, 2011**

Motion to approve Roberts Lions Club Good Neighbor Days on June2-5, 2011 by Gerhardt, seconded by Waughtal. Motion carried.

- **New Richmond Share Ride Taxi**

This is a subsidized share ride. The City of New Richmond is allowing them to come to Roberts. They are handicap accessible. At this time, they are not looking for any subsidizing. This would be mainly for senior citizens or handicap individuals.

Motion to allow the New Richmond Share Ride Service accessibility to the Village of Roberts by Pizzi, seconded by Gerhardt. Motion carried.

- **Kim Hamilton – April 9, 2011 – 11:00-1:00 – Close Main Street**

Kim is representing the Main Street Businesses and would like to have an Easter on Main Street. Kim has contacted the businesses and Roberts Ribbon Reapers. They would like to block off part of Main Street starting west of Roberts Grocery Store.

Motion to approve the activities on April 9th and the closing of Main Street by Stork, seconded by Kapaun. Motion carried.

- **Final Resolution Authorizing Public Improvement and Levying Special Assessments Against Benefitted Property**

Angi Goodwin – Ayres, presented the project costs and estimated revenues. An alternate bid will be in the package for a mill and overlay of Tower to Ash Street.

Motion to approve Final Resolution Authorizing Public Improvement and Levying Special Assessments Against Benefitted Property by Stork, seconded by Pizzi. Motion carried.

- **Review of Section 7.1.1 Police Manual**

Chief Burgess presented the section 7.1.1 from the Police Manual. Mr. Radosevich reviewed his feelings regarding the section A.2. He felt an amendment or supplement should be added rather than just a changing the report. Mr. Radosevich felt that this also had some language that would eliminate the prosecutor's participation. The communication will be better between the Attorney and the Chief.

Motion to table 7.1.1 of the Police Manual by Kapaun, seconded by Pizzi. Motion carried.

- **Red Wing Pay Request #12**

Motion to approve Pay Request #12 for Red Wing Construction in the amount of $12,103.20 by Waughtal, seconded by Tharp. Motion carried. The pay requests should be added by the clerk prior to releasing the check.

- **Payment of Bills**

Motion to pay the bills by Pizzi, seconded by Kapaun. Motion carried.

- **Motion** to Convene into Closed Session considering three separate matters for discussion per Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1)f considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations. Motion by Stork, seconded by Tharp. Roll Call Vote - Pizzi-Aye, Tharp-Aye, Waughtal-Aye, Moeri-Aye, Kapaun-Aye, Gerhardt-Aye, Stork-Aye. Motion Carried.

- **Motion to Adjourn Closed Session and Reconvene into Open Session –** Motion by Pizzi, seconded by Gerhardt. Roll Call Vote - Pizzi-Aye, Tharp-Aye, Waughtal-Aye, Moeri-Aye, Kapaun-Aye, Gerhardt-Aye, Stork-Aye. Motion carried.

- **Any other business**

Motion to adjourn at 12:15 AM by Gerhardt, seconded by Stork. Motion carried.

Doreen Kruschke, WCPC, CMTW Date Adopted – 3/14/2011