

Village of Roberts
Village Board Meeting Minutes
August 14, 2017 – 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: Rand Waughtal, Willard Moeri, Chad Svacina, Chuck Pizzi, Mary Shemon, Katy Kapaun and Nate Stork

Absent:

Guest: Aaron McWilliams, John Bond, Angi Goodwin, Peter Tharp,

Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from July 17, 2017 and the Special Village Board Meeting from July 25, 2017 by Pizzi, seconded by Shemon. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

- Discussed the changes that were made to the treasurer's report and the "general funds" that were left over. There is still work that needs to be done on this report.

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

Public Concerns –

- Svacina asked about the Village Board Meeting Minutes and making sure they are updated on the website.

Communications –

- Welcome to Nathan Stork to the Village Board.

Department Reports:

Police Department – Chief McWilliams

- There is not a punch report – technical difficulties!
- Body camera have arrived early. Policy is being written for using the body cams. Training will be thru the company free of charge.
- Update on the rash of vehicle burglaries in Rolling Meadows - with the help of the River Falls PD, Hudson PD, Pierce County and St Croix County Police Department we wrote a couple search warrants including a search warrant for DNA. The DNA sample was sent to the crime lab but could take up to six months to get results back. We currently have a suspect. Stay tuned for updates.
- McWilliams has been in contact with one of his officers who will more than likely relocate. McWilliams is looking for permission to get an eligibility list going so that he can be on top of the hiring process.

Director of Public Works – John Bond

- August 29th at 10:30 is the waste water permit public hearing. We will not have any comments or input in this. The DNR will run this meeting. Permit is in limbo until this is done.
- Discussion/approval of tree trimming bids:
 - Ackley Tree Service is the only company that gave a bid for this. If they only cut down the trees and we clean/chip the brush it would cost \$1500. We can reduce this price by hiring the correctional center in New Richmond to come down and feed the chipper. We are looking to do this in September. We pay the correctional group \$15.00/day for their assistance. Hours are approximately 8:30 to 1:00. They work for units of government or cemetery associations. Waughtal asked if they have ever been a threat to a resident and this has not happened. Only issue is amongst themselves.
 - Phosphorus Rules and Plant modification - Senator Harsdorf office is still working on funding ideas for helping with this.
 - Met with St Croix Electric and Dairyland power to discuss this. They are getting involved because they may have funding sources available for incentive programs. John is trying his best to see what is

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available to help reduce the cost of this project.

Library Director – Krissa Coleman

- Big finally for the summer reading program was a week and a half ago at the park. Over 600 people registered for summer reading program. Over 5000 hours read from June to August.
- We will be having Fred Abbas do a seminar on “Mock Scrapes, the Deadliest Tactic of All” on Saturday September 9th at 12:30. You will need to sign up for this session because a light lunch is offered. This is a free seminar.
- There will be another program on September 21 regarding dementia and what signs to look for.
- Thanks to the Lions Club for the use of the popcorn maker.

Municipal Court – Judge Tharp

- There is a summary of the court sessions.

Committee Reports and Recommendations

Park Board – Chuck Pizzi

- Thanks to Rand for getting the meeting started.
- Meeting was a discussion on the new exterior sign for the seniors. This was tabled until there is more information provided.
- Discussed the budget for this year and items for the budget for next year.
- Waughtal states that Pizzi has taken the meeting to a new level. The minutes are emailed as soon as they are done. The CDA is going to follow with this as well.

Plan Commission - Willard Moeri

- **Building Inspector Report**
- **Approval of Extra-Territorial for Joe Granberg – for a one lot CSM at 70th Ave and 140th St.**
 - This is a simple one lot CSM map for Cheryl Cowles out on the corner of 70th Avenue and 140th Street.
 - **Motion** to approve the one lot Extra territorial for Cheryl Cowles by Pizzi, seconded by Shemon. Motion carried.
- **Business Plan of Operations for LBM Stone and Fabrication**
 - They are running two shifts. Very unique business with fireplace work, fieldstone work, higher end products. Waughtal made a comment regarding the hours of business.
 - This is going to the West of Black Diamond on 70th Avenue. There was discussion regarding the future roads going thru this development and this discussion is ongoing with Bill Derrick Jr.
 - **Motion** to approve LBM Stone and Fabrication business plan of operation by Svacina, seconded by Kapaun. Motion carried.

CDA Board – None

Finance Committee – None

Public Safety Committee – None

Public Works Committee – None

Fire Association – Chad

- Fire did meet and the big item was the renaming of the street. This will be on the agenda for the next meeting. The only concern is notifying the vendors of the address change. Linda Hall asked why not take this down to the bank. There was nothing being gained will the whole street being changed to make Main Street visible.

Old Business

John Hancock and Diane May's Property Cleanup Update

- May's residence is astronomically cleaned! We don't think that this is really the issue. The May's have purchased land to the North and will move this business to this location.
- May's property - if they want to have a business they need to follow the rules and ask. 20% of the property can be occupied by business and go thru the business plan process. We could set the criteria at that point as to what

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we want to see. Kapaun thinks that the next step in this process is to ask them to submit a business plan of operation before the board.

- Both of the Hancock properties are actively in foreclosure but not the shop. He is running a scrap yard out of the resident's driveway.
- **Motion** to file the injunction on the Hancock residential property by Pizzi, seconded by Svacina. Motion carried.

Chicken License:

- Spoke with Angela regarding the license. The doghouse is more less a little yard shed that will be turned into a chicken coop. The only things that needs to change is adding the windows. They will have a month to get this done. They are composting the manure disposal.
- **Motion** to table this until next month by Kapaun, seconded by Pizzi. Motion carried.

New Business

Employee Education Requests and Expense Reports

- **Motion** to approve Megan Dull for the 2017 Fall Town and Village Workshop on September 27, 2017 by Kapaun, seconded by Shemon. Motion carried.
- **Motion** to approve Gayle Liverett for the Court Clerk Seminar on October 26 & 27th by Shemon, seconded by Waughtal. Motion carried.
- **Motion** to approve Judge Tharp for the Judicial Seminar on October 5 & 6th in Stevens Point by Pizzi, seconded by Waughtal. Motion carried.

New Operator's License Applications

- **Motion** to approve Payton Witthoft's Operator's License by Kapaun, seconded by Waughtal. Motion carried.
- **Motion** to approve Alexa Hynek's Operator's License by Waughtal, seconded by Kapaun. Motion carried.
- **Motion** to approve Natasha Ander's Operator's License by Kapaun, seconded by Pizzi. Motion carried.
- **Motion** to approve Hannah Westerdahl's Operator's License by Pizzi, seconded by Waughtal. Motion carried.
- **Motion** to approve Michaela Emerson's Operator's License by Waughtal, seconded by Shemon. Motion carried.
- **Motion** to approve Haisley Bordynoski's Operator's License by Waughtal, seconded by Pizzi. Motion carried.
- **Motion** to approve Brandi Johnson's Operator's License by Kapaun, seconded by Shemon. Motion carried.
- **Motion** to approve Jake Zajkowski's Operator's License by Kapaun, seconded by Shemon. Motion carried.
- **Motion** to approve Trenton Schug's Operator's License by Kapaun, seconded by Pizzi. Motion carried.

Discussion/Approval for Replacement of 2011 Expedition Squad Car

- Every four years we replace a squad car. We are looking to purchase in 2018. With money from 2018 there should be enough to purchase. The cost is approximately \$27,000 and \$5,000 to outfit it.
- **Motion** to purchase a new squad car by Kapaun, seconded by Pizzi. Motion carried.

Payment of Bills

- **Motion** to approve the bills for payment by Pizzi, seconded by Shemon. Motion carried.

Other Business - None

Motion to adjourn at 8:10PM by Shemon seconded by Pizzi. Motion carried.

Megan Dull
Village Clerk