

The Committee of the Whole met Tuesday February 3, 2009 at the village hall with Ray Ransom, Ken Lindner, Kristy Lunderville, Margaret Young, Doreen Demaskie, Superintendent Randy Brown, Officer Cooper and Debra Green. Absent were Trustees Penny Danielson and Larry Green. Also present were Lion's Club members Dale Downer and Ryan Johnson.

1. **Call to Order** – 7:00 PM
2. **Vouchers:** were approved and signed.
3. **Delinquent List:** Lindner moved, seconded by Demaskie to approve as printed. Carried
4. **Mill Building Bids:** as no bids were received President Ransom will make some calls regarding tearing down the building and Trustee Lunderville will check into the option of the fire department using it as a training burn.
5. **Oakwood Dam Repair Proposals:** Two proposals were received: one from SEH for \$16,000.00 and one from Ayres Associates for \$10,200.00. Lindner moved, seconded by Lunderville to approve the proposal of Ayres Associates for \$10,200.00 Carried.
6. **Village Audit Contract Re-Renewal:** Young moved, seconded by Demaskie to re-new the 3-year the contract with Auditors Johnson Block and Company as follows: year 2009 for \$13,000; year 2010 for \$13,400.00 and year 2011 for \$13,900.00. Carried.
7. **Smart Growth – Public Participation Plan:** President Ransom explained to the Trustees that each municipality involved in the County Smart Growth planning process must adopt a Public Participation Plan as part of their Smart Growth Plan. President Ransom read the Public Participation Plan to the Trustees. Lindner moved, seconded by Young to adopt the Public Participation Plan as read by President Ransom, "Aye" all. "No", none, "Abstain", none. Carried.
8. **Picnic License Application:** Demaskie moved, seconded by Lindner to approve the picnic license application of the Merrilan Lions Club for the February 22, 2009 ice fishing contest. Carried.
9. **Operator License Application:** no action taken on the application of Denise Shaw. Officer Cooper will speak with her about her application.
10. **Communications with Village Maintenance Department:** Superintendent Brown updated the Committee on current water freeze –up problems in the village.
11. **Communications with Village Police Department:** no update.
12. **Communications with Village Fire Department:** the fire department by-laws need to be updated.
13. **Communications with Village President:** reported on fire department personnel matters.
14. **US 12/STH 27 WisDOT Project:** Village Engineer Clem Safranek has been corresponding with Chad Hines with the Department of Transportation who had some questions regarding the village's portion of the project.
15. **Public Comment:** Dale Downer and Ryan Johnson with the Merrilan Lion's Club spoke to the Committee regarding upgrades to the Lion's fire grill and ball diamond in Gile Memorial Park. This will be placed on the February 10, 2009 Board meeting agenda.
16. **Adjournment:** Lunderville moved, seconded by Demaskie to adjourn at 8:04 PM. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Green, Clerk 02/04/09