

The Committee of the Whole met Tuesday June 2, 2009 at 7:00 PM at the village hall with Margaret Young, Ken Lindner, Genny Eddy, Earl Johnson, Kristy Lunderville, Doreen Demaskie, Officer Cooper, Randy Brown and Debra Green. Absent was Trustee Penny Danielson. Also present were Larry Simonis, Russ Simonis, Heather Sonsalla, Dave Sonsalla and Thad Lawrynk.

1. Call to Order – 7:00 PM

2. Vouchers: were approved and signed.

3. Delinquent List: Lunderville moved, seconded by Eddy to accept the delinquent list as printed and to remove accounts #2500.03 and #2410.06 from the delinquent list as these mobile homes have been junked and removed and small claims action has already been taken against the two utility customers. Carried.

4. Oakwood Dam Embankment Repair Project Contract Award: based upon the recommendation of the village engineers for this project, Ayres Associates, Lindner moved, seconded by Johnson to award the Oakwood Lake Dam Repair Project # 26-0529.00 to K & M Excavating, LLC for \$16, 565.47. Carried.

5. Water and Sewer Extension Request – 305 Grand Street: Russ Simonis, the owner of Speed Bump Auto, requested that water and sewer be extended to his property at 305 Grand Street so that he can have access to public water and sewer services for his business. Mr. Simonis was asked to file a petition of his request to the Village to extend the water and sewer main to his property. This was tabled to the June 9, 2009 Board meeting.

6. Communications with Village Maintenance:

a. Water Line Excavation Bill – 108 N Main Millard Apartments: The water line located at 108 N Main Street was excavated on April 6, 2009 by Boon construction for the village. It was found the water line for the property was frozen in the ground and the water line enlarged and split. The clerk informed the Trustees that the water had been allowed to freeze at the rental property located at 108 N Main which is owned by Mr. Millard. Mr. Millard had been notified, per PSC rules, by letter, dated December 23, 2008, to start letting the water run at his rental property and that Mr. Millard is notified to do this every year, since he took over ownership of the rental property in 2000. Mr. Millard's rental property is currently being supplied water via a garden house from the neighboring property. The owner of the neighboring property has requested something be done with the 108 N Main Street water line so he can remove the hose from his property to better be able to mow his lawn.

After discussion, Lunderville moved, seconded by Demaskie that Warren Millard, the owner of the rental property located at 108 N Main Street is to be billed for the cost of the water line excavation work that had been done in April by Boon Construction, for a total of \$1,121.20. Maintenance Randy Brown was directed to dig up the old ruined water line at 108 N Main Street and install a new water line at a deeper depth in the ground. The expense for the installation of this new water line to be borne by the village water utility. Carried.

b. Sanitary Sewer Televising Report: Maintenance Brown reported that televising and root cleaning was done on the sewer line on Oakwood south of Lincoln Street. He said this would be a sewer line that would benefit from having a slip liner installed inside the sewer main, within the next two years.

c. eCMAR Resolution #03-09: A Resolution Regarding 2008 Compliance Maintenance Annual Report. Whereas; the Village of Merrillan, Jackson County, Wisconsin, is required to annually review the Compliance Maintenance Annual Report and forward that report to the Department of natural resources prior to June 30, 2009. Therefore be it resolved; that the Village of Merrillan, Jackson County, Wisconsin, informs the Department of Natural Resources that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Merrillan, Jackson County, Wisconsin, has reviewed the 2008 compliance maintenance report. Demaskie moved, seconded by Johnson to adopt Resolution # 03-09. President Young declared the Resolution #03-09 adopted.

d. ATV's Driving on Village Well Property: Superintendent Brown reported that property owners located on Jensway in the village, have been driving their ATV's from their property onto posted village property, going down by the village wells, causing damage to the terrain. No trespassing signs had been posted and barricades set up by the village but they ATVer's removed the barricades and continue to drive their ATV's on village property around by the wells.

The Trustees direct Officer Hale to address this ATV issue with the property owners located on Jensway.

7. Communications with Village Police Officer: Officer Cooper reported that the light bar on the squad has been fixed, with used parts, and works fine now and the Memorial Day Services at the Oakwood Cemetery was exceptionally nice this year.

President Young reported to the Trustees and Officer Cooper that she had received a call from Sandy Smith regarding a citation she was issued for not registering her dog. Ms. Smith had explained to President Young that the dog had been her mother's dog and now her mother has moved back to New York with the dog. Officer Cooper explained that the dog had been registered in Ms. Smith's name and all this could have been avoided if Ms. Smith had not ignored his warning letter notifying her that she needed to address this issue instead of waiting until a citation was issued. This issue is going thru the court process and is Judge Lister's ticket to deal with now.

8. Communications with Fire Department:

a. Fire Hall 100% AFG Grant: Heather Sonsalla and Dave Sonsalla updated the Trustees on where the fire department is at in the AFG grant process. This will be placed on the June 9, 2009 Board agenda.

b. Piercing Nozzle Purchase Request: Fire Department Treasurer Heather Sonsalla asked the Trustees for approval to allow the fire department to purchase a piercing nozzle for \$849.00 with funds from the fire departments donated checking account. Lunderville moved, seconded by Eddy to approve the foregoing request to purchase a piercing nozzle for \$849.00 to be paid from the fire departments donated funds checking account. Carried.

9. Communications will Village President: President Young reported the Lions Club would like to donate a bench in Gile Park in memory of Frank Reinhart. Lindner moved, seconded by Eddy to approve the Lion's Club request to donate and place a memorial bench in Gile Park, as long as it meets all the village guidelines for placement of a bench on public property. Carried.

10. US 12/STH 27 WisDOT Project: no update.

11. Public Comment: Thad Lawrynk with Underground Utility Specialists spoke to the Trustees about the possibility of hiring him to repair the chimneys of the 11 manholes located on STH 95 in the village, that were initially done by Badger Environmental as part of the STH 95 DOT Project. The cement that had been used is already deteriorating. Mr. Lawrynk has already re-done the manhole chimneys in Alma Center and would like to negotiate to do Merrillan's and Hixton's as well. This was tabled to the June 9, 2009 Board meeting.

12. Adjournment: Johnson moved, seconded by Eddy to adjourn at 9:02 PM. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Green, Clerk

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