

The Committee of the Whole met Tuesday July 6, 2010 at the village hall at 7:00 PM with Margaret Young, Ken Lindner, Genny Eddy, Todd Antony, Andrew Bourdo, Penny Danielson, Doreen Demaskie, Fire Chief Lunderville, Officer Cooper and Debra Green. Also present was Bill Van Meer.

1. **Call to Order** - 7:00 PM

2. **Vouchers**: were approved and signed.

3. **Delinquent List**: Demaskie moved, seconded by Danielson to approve as printed. Carried.

4. **School Superintendent – Bill Van Meer**: Superintendent Bill Van Meer introduced himself to the Committee of the Whole and then spoke to those in attendance of the proposed \$10,360,000 school district facilities improvement referendum for the Lincoln junior/senior high school located in Alma Center, saying the improvement referendum would give our students brand new academic areas, access to technology upgrades, modern heating and ventilation and lighting systems, all handicapped issues would be addressed, increased parking and fire safety and security systems, a dedicated multi use student commons area, larger and more efficient vocational and science classrooms and the replacement two-station gym is larger and offers more capacity. Superintendent Van Meer further explained that the \$5.2 million dollar bond to build the Lincoln Elementary School will be paid off in 2011 and that the district could structure this new debt in a way so that, if approved, the mill rate on the debt would stay the same or be less. In other words, the taxes for school debt in 2012 and beyond would be the same or less than the current taxes. The State of Wisconsin, through the equalization aid formula, pays for 53% of the cost of the debt payment. The public can obtain more information on the improvement referendum at the school website.

5. **Operator License Application**: Danielson moved, seconded by Bourdo to approve the application of Robin Simonis. Carried.

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7. **Communications with Village Fire Department**:

a. DNR Reimbursement Check – Account Transfer Request: Chief Lunderville requested the money received from the State for suppression of the Bruce Mound fire be transferred from the general fund to the fire department equipment trust savings. After discussion, no action was taken.

8. **Communications with Village Maintenance Department**: Superintendent Brown reported about the exploitation of the dumpster in Gile Park by people bringing their house garbage into the village and dumping it in the Gile Park dumpster.

9. **Communications with Village Police Department**: Officer Cooper reported that the new video system is up and running in the squad.

10. **Communications with Village President**:

a. Read & Review Commentary: President Young suggested that Superintendent Brown fix the village street sweeper or get rid of it. To also continue to contract the village street sweeping services out. President Young also asked Superintendent Brown to set up a regular plan and schedule for clearing tree limbs out of village power lines.

President Young read to the Committee Jackson County DA Gerald Fox's news release regarding the U.S. Supreme Court's decision on fire arms and Mr. Fox's planned enforcement of certain fire arms laws.

Dairyland Power's Municipal Appreciation Day is July 13, 2010.

11. **US 12/STH 27 WisDOT/STH 95 Municipal Projects**: MSA July 1, 2010 project update report was received, with a revised US12 utility project action schedule.

12. **Public Comment**: none.

13. **Adjournment**: Lindner moved, seconded by Demaskie to adjourn at 9:35 PM. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

*Debra Green*, Clerk      7/08/10