

# **Village of Maine Minutes**

Monday, July 9, 2018
Village of Maine Board Meeting

Maine Municipal Center 6111 N. 44<sup>th</sup> Avenue Wausau, WI 54401

# OFFICIAL NOTICE AND AGENDA

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Maine held a regular monthly meeting at the Maine Municipal Center on Monday, July 9, 2018. Accounts Payable were reviewed at 6:30 p.m. and General Business commenced at 7:00 p.m.

# **AGENDA**

- 1. Call meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Betty Hoenisch, Village President
- **2.** Review bills payable
- **3.** Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- **4.** Motion to approve bills payable
- 5. Motion to dispense of the reading and approval of the minutes from the June 11, 2018, Board Meeting, the June 25, 2018 Special Board Meeting and the July 6, 2018 Special Board Meeting/Closed Session
- **6.** President's Report on June 27, 2018 Meeting and Administrator's Monthly Report
- **7.** Treasurer's Report
- **8.** Comments from the audience on Other Business items A F below
- **9.** Other Business:
  - **A.** Discussion and possible action on Agreement between the Village of Maine Public Water Utility and City of Wausau Water Works
  - B. Discussion and possible action on Mark Beantner for employment on Maine FD
  - **C.** Discussion and possible action on FD Engineer employee and termination letter
  - **D.** Discussion and possible action to appoint a FD Engineer

- E. Discussion and possible action on 2001 International Plow Truck repair quote
- F. Discussion and possible action on a 2019 Garbage and Recycling contract
- **10.** Report from audience on culverts, road issues and/or requests to have an item placed on the next Village Board Meeting agenda
- 11. The next Board of Trustees Meeting will be Monday, August 13, 2018

# **12.** Adjournment

I certify that this agenda was posted at the Red Granite Bar & Grill, Richard's Restaurant & Bar, Schmidt's Bar and the Maine Municipal Center, 6111 N. 44<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Wausau, WI on July 7, 2018.

# Betty Hoenisch,

Village of Maine President

Village of Maine Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes - Monday, July 9, 2018

#### Call to Order

President Hoenisch called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present at the meeting:

President Betty Hoenisch, Clerk Cindy Bailey, Treasurer Patti Behrendt, Trustee Tad Schult, Trustee Wes Schoepke, Trustee Tom Mullaley and Trustee Jon Graveen.

#### Review bills payable

Clerk Bailey distributed the bills and timesheets to the Trustees and asked that they review them.

#### **General Business**

President Hoenisch welcomed the community members attending the meeting. She explained that the Board of Trustees Meeting had been called to order at 6:30 p.m., at which time the Board of Trustees reviewed the accounts payable bills.

# Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

#### Motion to approve bills payable

President Hoenisch called for a motion to approve the bills payable.

<u>Trustee Schoepke made a motion to approve the invoices and time sheets as submitted. Trustee Mullaley seconded that motion. Motion carried.</u>

Motion to dispense of the reading and approval of the minutes from the June 11, 2018, Board Meeting, the June 25, 2018 Special Board Meeting and the July 6, 2018 Special Board Meeting/Closed Session

President Hoenisch asked the Village Board members if there were any additions or revisions to minutes they were provided.

<u>Trustee Mullaley made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Trustee Graveen seconded the motion. Motion carried.</u>

#### President's Report on June 27, 2018 Meeting and Administrator's Monthly Report

President Hoenisch stated that she, Administrator Rusch, Attorney Frokjer and Attorney VanderWaal attended a meeting at the City of Wausau with Mayor Mielke and staff members. Senator Petrowski and Kurt Gibbs, the Marathon County Board Chairman also attended the meeting.

President Hoenisch also stated that the City of Wausau is willing to enter a shared services agreement with the Village of Maine for water and sewer to businesses and residences along the southern border of Maine. Wausau is actively soliciting the Village of Marathon and the Village of Edgar to obtain a service agreement for their sewage. Wausau is also willing to take sewage from the Village of Brokaw which will be a savings for Maine because this would eliminate the need to update their current sewage treatment plant. Wausau has asked for help from Senator Petrowski because they need eighty million dollars to update their facility. One way that Wausau can obtain funds for their Waste Water Treatment Plant is to have agreements with these other municipalities which will in turn help Wausau obtain grants to update their system.

President Hoenisch stated that she will keep everyone informed as new information is available regarding this potential agreement with the City of Wausau.

#### Administrator Rusch had these items to report:

- The Comprehensive Planning process will have an updated schedule due to timing parallels with the Brokaw Attachment and Utility transfer projects, as well as potential discussions with Wausau on comparing plans. I have contacted NCWRPC to get their input on our talks with the City and the conflict arising from submittal requirements for the Brokaw transition. It was agreed that a small delay in timing will not negatively affect the plan process, so they are aware we will be addressing the Comprehensive Plan on a delayed schedule. The next step will be to distribute the draft plan in its entirety for review by the Plan Commissions. After review and any potential amendments, the Plan Commissions will need to pass a resolution recommending adoption of the plan. The Boards will then set a public hearing date, hold the hearing and adopt the plan by Ordinance. I will keep everyone notified of the steps as we prepare to complete this requirement.
- We are continuing with a Brokaw Attachment timeline goal of October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. While a separate application, the Water Utility transfer process is underway concurrently. I have completed an application letter based on input from the Public Service Commission (PSC). It is in draft form and has

been approved by Vierbicher representatives and Attorney Frokjer. Once we have all our parties review and approve the document we can complete the application packet and submit it to the PSC for review and approval. At the same time, we will be completing the Attachment documentation so that notification timing meets the October 1<sup>st</sup> projection.

- The DNR finally sent the Well Site Investigation Report approval out this afternoon. I have been in contact with the Hydrologist in charge to notify him of the approval and to schedule the test well work.
- Regarding discussions with the City of Wausau-a quick reminder of the items discussed at our meeting on June 27<sup>th</sup>:
  - The City is willing to discuss shared services agreements regarding water and sewer services across municipality borders. The Attorneys will be looking at restructuring the existing water contract with Brokaw (a draft of the document is part of the agenda tonight) to cover our plans moving forward and I will be initiating a discussion regarding potential agreements with the Mayor and/or Community Development Director Christian Schock. I have discussed typical language for such agreements with Vierbicher and have some samples for our assessment when that conversation starts.
  - The City is aware that we are pursuing providing Brokaw water customers on our own and have a tentative schedule to have the new system up and running late 2019 early 2020.
  - We discussed that we are targeting the attachment of Brokaw by the end of September of this year (Actually October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018).
  - We discussed the sewer utility and how it is not likely to be able to meet upcoming DNR
    phosphorous requirements. As a component of that I will be talking with the Wausau Public
    Works Director Eric Lindman regarding possibly partnering with the City to handle sewage
    from our customers.
  - I have initiated a conversation with NCWRPC and the City to review our Comprehensive plans to better establish what a shared services agreement may cover. NCWRPC will send out some dates for meetings to start that conversation.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

President Hoenisch asked Treasurer Behrendt to present the Treasurer's Report.

The report given follows:

#### **Village of Maine Checking Account**

Beginning balance – 5/31/2018 - \$21,280.27 Deposits and Interest - \$69,473.32 Disbursements - \$69,587.14 Balance as of 6/30/2018 - \$21,166.45

#### **Maine Municipal Savings Account**

Beginning balance on 5/31/2018 - \$600,338.94 Deposits and Interest - \$5,786.26 Disbursements - \$69,452.75 Balance on 6/30/2018 - \$536,672.45

#### **Village of Maine Fire Department Accounts:**

#### **Checking Account**

Balance on 6/30/2018 - \$165.67

#### **Memorials & Special Donations Account**

Balance on 6/30/2018 - \$26,075.99

#### **Equipment Outlay Account**

Balance on 6/30/2018 - \$55,513.01

President Hoenisch asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as submitted.

<u>Trustee Mullaley made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as submitted. Trustee Graveen seconded that motion.</u> Motion carried.

#### Comments from the audience on Other Business Items A-F of the agenda

President Hoenisch asked for comments from the audience on the Other Business items 9 A-F of the agenda.

There were no comments from the audience.

# A. Discussion and possible action on Agreement between the Village of Maine Public Water Utility and City of Wausau Water Works

President Hoenisch explained that Attorney Frokjer has suggested that the water contract between the Village of Brokaw and the City of Wausau be redone to reflect that the water utility will be called Village of Maine Water Utility. City Officials we amenable to that idea and Attorney Frokjer offered to create the new water contract.

President Hoenisch went on to say that because Brokaw's assets and liabilities will transfer to the Village of Maine, Maine Officials had thought it was not necessary to amend the contract, however the Public Service Commission has suggested that the contract be amended.

Attorney Frokjer has said that there is no case law to support/force this Public Service suggestion but has decided to appearse them by creating a new contract.

President Hoenisch asked for a motion to approve the agreement between Wausau Water Works/City of Wausau and the Village of Maine contingent on approval of Attorney Frokjer and the City of Wausau.

Trustee Mullaley made a motion to approve the agreement between Wausau Water Works/City of Wausau and the Village of Maine contingent on approval of Attorney Frokjer and the City of Wausau. Trustee Schult seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### B. Discussion and possible action on Mark Beantner for employment on Maine FD

President Hoenisch stated that Mr. Beantner had been interviewed by Maine Fire Department Officers and has been approved for employment. She asked for a motion to approve Mr. Beantner.

<u>Trustee Schoepke made a motion to approve Mark Beantner as a Maine Fire Department employee.</u>
Trustee Graveen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### C. Discussion and possible action on FD Engineer employee and termination letter

President Hoenisch stated that Chief Bozinski had sent her an email to inform the Board that Fire Department Officers had decided to relieve Mike Wanke of his engineer position with Maine Fire Department. The decision was made due to lack of effort to perform his duties

for over six months. Chief Bozinski went on to explain that inspection of apparatus is a NFPA requirement, therefore very important. Chief Bozinski said that Captain Bozinski had spoken with Mr. Wanke about the issue at least two times and saw no improvement. The Officers met and made the decision to terminate Mr. Wanke and appoint Randy Springer to the vacant position if the changes are approved by the Board.

The Board discussed the situation and President Hoenisch asked for a motion.

<u>Trustee Schult made a motion to terminate Mike Wanke from the Maine Fire Department Engineer position and authorized Administrator Rusch to draft a termination letter to be sent to Mr. Wanke.</u>
<u>Trustee Mullaley seconded the motion. Motion carried.</u>

#### D. Discussion and possible action to appoint a FD Engineer

After brief discussion President Hoenisch asked for a motion.

<u>Trustee Mullaley made a motion to approve Randy Springer for the position of Engineer with the Maine Fire Department. Trustee Graveen seconded the motion. Motion carried.</u>

#### E. Discussion and possible action on 2001 International Plow Truck repair quote

The Board discussed the quote to repair the 2001 International Plow Truck. President Hoenisch asked for a motion.

<u>Trustee Schoepke made a motion to approve the T & D quote (\$11,000.00) dated July 3, 2018 and repair the 2001 International Plow Truck. Trustee Graveen seconded the motion. Motion carried.</u>

# F. Discussion and possible action on a 2019 Garbage and Recycling contract

The Board discussed this item and asked Administrator Rusch to do some research on other waste and recycling companies. No action was taken on this item.

Report from audience on culverts, road issues and/or requests to have an item placed on the next Village Board Meeting agenda

There were no comments on this agenda item.

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#### Adjournment

President Hoenisch asked for a motion to adjourn.

<u>Trustee Schoepke made a motion to adjourn at 7:53 p.m., seconded by Trustee Graveen. Motion carried.</u>

Respectfully submitted and approved August 13, 2018

Cindy Bailey

Village of Maine Clerk