



Village of Maine Minutes

Wednesday, October 25, 2017

Special Board Meeting and Closed Session

Maine Municipal Center

6111 N. 44th Avenue

Wausau, WI 54401

OFFICIAL NOTICE AND AGENDA

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Maine will hold a Special Board Meeting and Closed Session on Wednesday, October 25, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Maine Municipal Center, 6111 N. 44th Avenue, Wausau, WI 54401.

AGENDA

1. Call the meeting to order – Betty Hoenisch, Village President
2. President will entertain a motion to convene into Closed Session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session in connection with possible fire department and emergency medical service contract(s).
3. Adjourn Closed Session and reconvene the Special Board Meeting
4. Discussion and possible action regarding matters discussed in item two of this agenda
5. Discussion and possible action regarding MacKenzie Lambert as an employee with the Maine Fire Department
6. Discussion and possible action regarding Maine Fire Department purchasing a new ATV (a Polaris) from Bill's Service Center
7. Adjournment

I certify that this agenda was posted at Red Granite Bar & Grill, Richard's Restaurant and Bar, Schmidt's Bar and the Maine Municipal Center, 6111 N. 44th Avenue, Wausau, WI on October 24, 2017.

Cindy Bailey, Village of Maine Clerk

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The Board of Trustees of the Village of Maine held a Special Board Meeting and Closed Session on Wednesday, October 25, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Maine Municipal Center, 6111 N. 44th Avenue, Wausau, WI.

President Hoenisch called the Special Meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Present were President Betty Hoenisch, Trustee Tad Schult, Trustee Wes Schoepke, Trustee Tom Mullaley, Trustee Jon Graveen, Clerk Cindy Bailey and Administrator Keith Rusch. Maine Chief Joe Bozinski, SAFER Chief Matt Savage and SAFER Assistant Chief Josh Finke were present along with Maine Fire Department members.

President Hoenisch welcomed everyone to the Special Meeting and Closed Session.

President Hoenisch explained that she had invited SAFER Chief Matt Savage and SAFER Assistant Chief Josh Finke to attend the Closed Session to present information on the SAFER District and answer questions from the Village Board and Fire Department members.

She then explained the procedures that would be followed for the Closed Session so that Maine's Board is compliant with State Statute rules for deliberating during Closed Session. President Hoenisch also explained that information, comments and questions in closed session were to remain confidential. The Board has invited the Fire Department to this meeting because we are interested in hearing your comments and questions. This is new territory for all of us. Please understand that this is a difficult decision for the Village Board and the Fire Department.

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Trustee Schult made a motion to go into Closed Session for the reasons stated in the agenda and to invite Chief Joe Bozinski, Administrator Keith Rusch, SAFER Chief Matt Savage, SAFER Assistant Chief Josh Finke and the fire department members present into the Closed Session. Motion was seconded by Trustee Mullaley. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote by President Hoenisch, Trustee Schult, Trustee Schoepke, Trustee Mullaley and Trustee Graveen.

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Adjourn Closed Session and reconvene the Special Board Meeting

Trustee Mullaley made a motion to adjourn the Closed Session and reconvene the Special Board Meeting at 10:30 p.m. Motion was seconded by Trustee Graveen. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action regarding matters discussed in item two of this agenda

President Hoenisch asked the Trustees what decision the Board wanted to make regarding a possible emergency services agreement with the SAFER District.

A short discussion followed by the Trustees regarding the comments from the fire department members during the closed session. The consensus was that the Village Board should support the fire department in their wish to stay independent.

President Hoenisch asked if the Board wanted to make a motion on the matter. Trustee Schult stated that since there would be no change to the current status of Maine Fire Department, he felt no action was needed. The Village Board agreed.

Discussion and possible action regarding MacKenzie Lambert as an employee with Maine Fire Department

President Hoenisch requested that Chief Bozinski present this item.

Chief Bozinski reported that Ms. Lambert was a Safety Associate at Linetech Corporation, therefore she would be an asset on Maine Fire and hopefully would serve on Maine's Safety Committee. Ms. Lambert lives in the Brokaw apartment complex, which will make her response time very good. Ms. Lambert if approved will start Fire Fighter One training immediately. Chief Bozinski explained that the officers had recommended approval of Ms. Lambert.

Trustee Schoepke explained that he had attended Ms. Lambert's interview and she appeared to be very ambitious and a good fit for the department.

Trustee Mullaley made a motion to approve MacKenzie Lambert as an employee of Maine Fire Department. Motion was seconded by Trustee Schoepke. Motion carried.

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Discussion and possible action regarding Maine Fire Department purchasing a new ATV (Polaris) from Bill's Service Center

President Hoenisch requested that Chief Bozinski present this item.

Chief Bozinski explained that Maine Fire Department officers had approve the purchase of a Polaris ATV from Bill's Service Center in the amount of \$20,808.97. He also explained that the Fire Department would be using their donation, a grant and recent fund raiser money to fund the purchase.

Trustee Mullaley questioned why the proposal amount was \$21,108.97. Chief Bozinski explained that the ATV would be equipped with tracks, therefore they were receiving a \$300.00 credit for the original equipment tires.

Trustee Schoepke made a motion to approve the purchase of the Polaris ATV from Bill's Service Center in the amount of \$20,808.97. Motion was seconded by Trustee Mullaley. Motion carried.

President Hoenisch thanked the fire department members for attending the meeting, their contribution to their community and their input on the potential SAFER emergency services contract.

Adjournment

President Hoenisch called for a motion to adjourn.

Trustee Mullaley made a motion to adjourn at 10:38 p.m., seconded by Trustee Schoepke. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted and approved November 13, 2017.

Betty Hoenisch,

Village of Maine President