

FULL BOARD - MINUTES
February 9, 2023

At 7:02 p.m. President Arndt called the meeting to order and noted compliance with the open meetings law.

Present: Arndt, Allen, Bauman, Bothell, Bowers, Mohar

Others present: Traci Stanford, William Clary, Brad Stuczynski, Eric Hagen (by phone), Nicole Kruschel, George Althoff

Absent: Beard

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Moved by Bowers, second by Mohar, to adopt the agenda as posted. Motion carried.

Moved by Allen, second by Bauman to adopt the minutes of the January 12, 2023, Full Board meeting. Bothell abstained. Motion carried.

Update from MSA, Nicole Kruschel, on the status of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) project, including an overview of project activities completed to date and activities remaining to be completed.

The site preparation including tree removal was completed last fall. The water main piping was ordered to ensure timely delivery. Initial work on the shelter and sanitary sewer has recently begun. To date, the Village has requested \$229,240.45 from the CDBG Grant. There is \$2,270,759.55 additional to request.

Update on the status of any residential and/or business displacement and relocation assistance activities as a result of the CDBG project, if applicable. Not applicable.

Public input and feedback from community residents on the CDBG project activities.

Ask attendees if there are any comments. No public comment, but the board did note that they had received questions during clearing and grubbing phase about the number of trees that were going to be removed. The citizens were concerned that all the trees were being taken down, but the board member explained the areas/reasons for tree removal and the citizens were satisfied. The board also requested that MSA provide a project summary for the upcoming newsletter and website, as well as to put up project renderings on the safety fence for citizens to reference. The Village and MSA will work on this.

Update from Baraboo Area Chamber of Commerce, Executive Director, George Althoff, on the 2022 Room Tax and Annual Report.

Moved by Bowers, second by Mohar to accept the contract with Pellitteri Waste Systems for ten years provided Attorney Hagen agrees with the contract provided to the Village. Motion carried.

Motion by Mohar, second by Allen to approve Ordinance No. 23-2 to amend Section 1.04(4) relating to compensation of elected Village Officers. Motion carried.

Motion by Allen, second by Bauman to approve Ordinance No. 23-3 to create Section 8.03(2)(e) relating to regulations for mailbox placement in Village right-of-ways. Motion carried.

Motion by Mohar, second by Bowers to approve the Personnel Committee become a separate committee from the Finance Committee and meet as needed. Motion carried 6-1; Bothell opposed.

Motion by Bothell, second by Allen to provide for an alternate Finance Committee member. Motion carried.

Motion by Bothell, second by Allen to approve Ordinance No. 23-4 to create section 1.02(11) and amend section 9.18(4) relating to establishing a code enforcement officer position and the issuance of citations. Motion carried.

Motion by Allen, second by Bauman to add Veterans Day and Martin Luther King, Jr. Day to the paid holidays provided to the Village of West Baraboo employees. Motion carried.

Motion by Bauman, second by Bothell to accept a refund check from Alliant Energy reflecting a billing error in the amount of \$30,019.58 as opposed to a credit on the account. Motion carried.

At 9:05 p.m. it was moved by Bowers, second by Allen to move into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. Sec. 19.85(1)(c) for purposes of discussing employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; specifically for the purposes of conducting a performance evaluation and discussing employment compensation for the Director of Public Works. Roll call vote.

Aye – 6 (Mohar, Allen, Bowers, Arndt, Bauman, Bothell)

Nay – 0

Motion carried.

At 9:23 p.m. it was moved by Bowers, second by Allen to return to open session. Motion carried.

Motion by Mohar, second by Bothell, to recommend the Village Board approve a wage increase to \$80,000 for William Clary, Director of Public Works. Motion carried.

Motion by Bauman, second by Allen to approve the monthly expenditures. Motion carried.

At 9:27 p.m., it was moved by Mohar, second by Bothell, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Traci Stanford, Clerk/Treasurer