

VILLAGE OF SIREN - VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY DECEMBER 8, 2022

MINUTES

The Regular Village Board meeting held on December 8, 2022, was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Village President Dave Alden.

Members Present: Dave Alden, Rick Engstrom, Janet Hunter, Rudy Mothes, Sara Reimann-Hill, Steve Young

Members Absent: Jim Pearson

Others Present: Ann Peterson, Clerk/Treasurer; Kayla Reh, Burnett County Sentinel; Trevor Thiex, Siren Police Chief; Edwin & Ann Johnson; Teresa Anderson, MSA

President Alden called for Public Comments. None were offered.

A motion was made by Sara Reimann-Hill and seconded by Janet Hunter to approve the agenda with the change of moving the Site Plan Approval from the agenda as it has not been submitted. Motion carried without negative vote.

A motion was made by Steve Young and seconded by Rick Engstrom to approve the following minutes:

- Budget Hearing of November 10, 2022
- Regular Village Board meeting of November 10, 2022
- Committee of the Whole meeting of November 10, 2022

Motion carried without negative vote.

A motion was made by Steve Young and seconded by Janet Hunter to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$66,880.17 general vouchers and checks cut since the last regularly scheduled board meeting in the amount of \$36,052.07 for a grand total of \$102,932.24. The Board discussed the repair to the Durango. Motion carried without negative vote.

President Alden gave the President's Report. There is an issue at the Apartment Complex on Nyberg Road with the placement of an electric transformer and water hydrant that are on the utility easement. There is a not a lot of separation between the hydrant and transformer. President Alden would like to have this item brought to the Streets & Utilities Committee for discussion along with a representative from Northwestern Wisconsin Electric Company and the Robbins to determine what steps to take to remedy the situation. President Alden will also follow up with Ray & Angela Robbins. President Alden would also like to have Buildings Grounds & Parks Committee discuss the possibility of having the Village contract for residential garbage pick-up in the Village. Village Trustee Sara Reimann-Hill will do some initial research on this issue.

Clerk/Treasurer Peterson had nothing for the Clerk's Report.

Chief Thiex gave the November Police Report. November DMV totals were \$442.50. Chief Thiex did follow up on the issues brought up at the last Board meeting by a citizen. He talked with the owner of the truck that had been in the alley. Bethany Church does have signs for no snowmobiles on their property but nothing that states that the alley is not snowmobile friendly. The Midtown Transfer Station is changing owners and there may be some changes to their recycling program after the first of the month. The cameras along State Road 35/70 are up and the Department can view one of the

cameras at this time. The cameras have been installed in Crooked Lake Park. Officer Pardun graduates from the Academy tomorrow.

OLD BUSINESS

The Dollar/Dollar Tree Site Plan Approval was removed from the agenda because an updated site plan was not submitted for discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. A motion was made by Dave Alden and seconded by Rudy Mothes to move the January 2023 Board meeting to Thursday January 12, 2023. Clerk/Treasurer Peterson explained that this will allow her office to get as many invoices for 2022 expenses as possible paid prior to the Auditors arriving in late January. Motion carried without negative vote.
- b. A motion was made by Janet Hunter and seconded by Steve Young to set the Village Caucus for directly prior to the Board meeting on January 12, 2023. Positions that are up for election this term are Village President Dave Alden and Village Trustees Rick Engstrom, Janet Hunter, and Sara Reimann-Hill. Motion carried without negative vote.
- c. A motion was made by Rick Engstrom and seconded by Steve Young to allow Chief Trevor Thiex to carry-over additional hours of PTO into 2023 with the understanding that by 2024 he is back in accordance with the Employee Handbook. Officer Thiex currently has 133 hours of PTO to use. Motion carried without negative vote.

The meeting schedule was set as follows:

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| a. Committee of the Whole: | To be set if needed |
| b. Board of Appeals & Planning Commission: | To be set if needed |
| c. Tourism: | December 21 st at 9:00 a.m. |
| d. Ball Park Committee: | January 9 th at 6:00 p.m. |

A motion was made by Dave Alden and seconded by Steve Young to adjourn the Village Board Meeting at 2:26 p.m. Motion carried without negative vote.

Submitted by Ann L Peterson
Village Clerk/Treasurer