

VILLAGE OF SIREN - VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY JANUARY 11, 2024

MINUTES

The Regular Village Board meeting held on January 11, 2024, was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Village President Dave Alden.

Members Present: Dave Alden, Rick Engstrom, Janet Hunter, Jeff Johnson, Rudy Mothes (10:10 a.m.), Jim Pearson, Steve Young (via zoom)

Others Present: Ann Peterson, Clerk/Treasurer; Jim Jaskolka, Public Works Director; Trevor Thiex, Police Chief; Sarah Radomsky, Inter County Leader; Teresa Anderson, MSA (via Zoom); Brian Bocan (via phone)

President Alden gave notification that he anticipates going into Closed Session pursuant to §19.85(e) deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. He anticipates returning to Open Session at the end of the Closed Session.

President Alden called for Public Comments. None were given.

A motion was made by Jim Pearson and seconded by Jeff Johnson to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried without negative vote.

A motion was made by Jim Pearson and seconded by Jeff Johnson to go into Closed Session pursuant to §19.85(e) to deliberate or negotiate the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business. President Alden called for a roll call vote:

Alden	aye	Johnson	aye
Engstrom	aye	Pearson	aye
Hunter	aye	Young	aye

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Johnson and seconded by Jim Pearson to return to Open Session. Motion carried without negative vote.

Brian Bocan Discussion – A motion was made by Jim Pearson and seconded by Dave Alden to have Brian Bocan bring his plans for purchase of the property to the Planning Commission meeting to have the discussion be held at the same time as his request for rezoning of his lot and the creation of a campground. Motion carried without negative vote.

Pickleball Court Discussion – A motion was made by Jim Pearson and seconded by Steve Young that the Village proceed with the pickleball resurfacing project at the cost of \$68,703. The cost includes \$18,914 from Monarch Paving Company to do an overlay of the existing court; \$21,500 from Surface Pro for the color system and lining of the basketball court; \$11,789 from American Fence for removing/reinstalling the existing nets and \$16,500 for fencing of the pickleball courts. Motion carried without negative vote.

A motion was made by Steve Young and seconded by Jim Pearson to approve the December 14, 2024 Regular Village Board meeting minutes. Motion carried without negative vote.

A motion was made by Janet Hunter and seconded by to Jeff Johnson approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$209,778.74 general vouchers and checks cut since the last regularly scheduled board meeting in the amount of \$46,024.19 for a grand total of \$255,802.93. Motion carried without negative vote.

President Alden had nothing for the President's Report.

Clerk/Treasurer Peterson gave the Clerk's Report. The auditors will be here next week.

Chief Thiex gave the December and 2023 Year End Police Reports. December DMV totals were \$189.50. The new computer has been delivered and is in service. New Years Eve was quiet. There was a street sign that was bent last night that the Public Works Department will look at.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Janet Hunter and seconded by Jeff Johnson to approve the Professional Services Agreement with MSA for 2024 Annual Phosphorous Compliance Progress Reporting. This is for the WPDES permit and will cost approximately \$6,500. Motion carried without negative vote.

A motion was made by Jeff Johnson and seconded by Jim Pearson to approve the Cigarette/Tobacco License for SQRL Service Station for a period of January 11, 2024 – June 30, 2024. Motion carried without negative vote.

A motion was made by Jeff Johnson and seconded by Janet Hunter to approve the Class A Liquor and Beer License for SQRL Service Station for the period of January 11, 2024 – June 30, 2024. Motion carried without negative vote.

EZ Tab Discussion – President Alden brought up the option of having an EZ Tab Machine for DOT services. The machine would allow consumers to use a credit card to purchase tabs for their vehicles. The Board felt that this was an option that a private business may want to investigate this option, but it would not be a good fit for Village Hall.

The meeting schedule was set as follows:

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| a. Committee of the Whole: | To be set if needed. |
| b. Streets & Utilities Committee: | January 16 th at 10:00 a.m. |
| c. Public Safety Committee: | January 16 th at 9:30 a.m. |
| d. Planning Commission & Board of Appeals: | January 24 th at 10:00 a.m. |
| e. Tourism Commission: | January 17 th at 9:00 a.m. |
| f. Ball Park Committee: | February 5 th at 4:00 p.m. |

A motion was made by Dave Alden and seconded by Jim Pearson to adjourn the Village Board Meeting at 10:50 a.m. Motion carried without negative vote.



Submitted by Ann L Peterson, WCMC/CMTW
Village Clerk/Treasurer