

VILLAGE OF SIREN - VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
THURSDAY JUNE 13, 2024

MINUTES

The Regular Village Board meeting held on June 13, 2024, was called to order at 10:29 a.m. by Village President Dave Alden.

Members Present: Dave Alden, Kelly Gunderson, Janet Hunter, Ed Johnson, Jeff Johnson, Steve Young

Members Absent: Rick Engstrom

Others Present: Ann Peterson, Clerk/Treasurer; Jim Jaskolka, Public Works Director; Trevor Thiex, Police Chief; Neal Griffin & Sarah Radomsky, Inter County Leader; Becky Strabel, Burnett County Sentinel; Brian & Melissa Bocan and children; Dan & Dawn Kegley & Beth Hederstrom, REM Inspecting; Nancy Moe; Karen Laqua -Anderson; Aaron Sundeen, Derick Building Solutions; Teresa Anderson, MSA; Jay & Barbara Wolgast

Clerk/Treasurer Peterson swore in Village Trustee Kelly Gunderson.

President Alden called for Public Comments. None were given.

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

A motion was made by Steve Young and seconded by Jeff Johnson to approve the following minutes:

- Initial Board of Review meeting of May 9, 2024
- Public Hearing on C3 Campground District of May 9, 2024
- Regular Village Board meeting of May 9, 2024
- Committee of the Whole meeting of June 6, 2024

Motion carried without negative vote.

A motion was made by Janet Hunter and seconded by Steve Young to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$91,896.48 general vouchers and checks cut since the last regularly scheduled board meeting in the amount of \$47,661.69 for a grand total of \$139,558.17. Motion carried without negative vote.

President Alden gave the President's Report to thank the public for being concerned about events happening in the Village and to reiterate that the Village Board is trying to do what is best for the Village.

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

Chief Thiex presented the May Police Report. Chief Thiex reported that he is back to light-duty after his knee surgery. The Board expressed their happiness to have him back.

## STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS & REPORTS

### Planning Commission

A motion was made by Janet Hunter and seconded by Jeff Johnson to approve the Short-Term Rental Application for 24217 State Road 35/70 for the second building. All of the proper documentation was provided with the application. Motion carried without negative vote.

A motion was made by Ed Johnson and seconded by Jeff Johnson to approve the site plan for Mohawk in the Industrial Park. Mohawk will be putting in an industrial building to construct stainless steel tanks, etc. The project is out for bid and plans have been submitted to the State of Wisconsin for approval. They are hoping to break ground in July, and it will be an approximate five-month project. Motion carried without negative vote.

A motion was made by Steve Young and seconded by Janet Hunter to approve the rezoning of the lot south of 24145 First Avenue, owned by Brian Bocan, to C3 Commercial Campground District. Motion carried without negative vote.

#### Committee of the Whole

A motion was made by Steve Young and seconded by Jeff Johnson to reconstruct Alden Road using MSID funds. The grant is a 50% grant. There is some engineering to be done. The grant is a five-year grant however it would be more cost effective to move quickly on the project. This would address drainage issues on Alden Road. Motion carried without negative vote.

A motion was made by Jeff Johnson and seconded by Steve Young to have Burnett Plumbing replace the toilets at Village Hall at a cost of \$3,105. Motion carried without negative vote.

A motion was made by Steve Young and seconded by Kelly Gunderson to replace the chairs at the Village Board table at a cost of \$479.92. Motion carried without negative vote.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Dan & Dawn Kegley and Beth Hederstrom from REM Inspecting gave an update on the UDC Permits (new one- and two-family residences) in the Village. REM is in Amery, and they also do provide electric inspection for commercial businesses in the community under State contract. The Board discussed code changes that occur and how that is communicated to the contractors. Code changes are normally provided to contractors as part of their required continuing education. Part of REM's job as the inspector is to help educate contractors about current and future construction. They issued two UDC permits for 2023 in the Village.

A motion was made by Janet Hunter and seconded by Steve Young to approve Resolution #2024-05: A Resolution Accepting the 2023 Compliance Maintenance Annual Report for the Village of Siren. President Alden called for a roll call vote:

Alden	aye	E Johnson	aye
Gunderson	aye	J Johnson	aye
Hunter	aye	Young	aye

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Johnson and seconded by Kelly Gunderson to approve the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Short-Term Rental Licenses as presented by Clerk/Treasurer Peterson for the period of July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025. Motion carried without negative vote.

A motion was made by Janet Hunter and seconded by Kelly Gunderson to approve the Fireworks Permit for the Siren Lions Club for July 4<sup>th</sup> in Crooked Lake Park. Motion carried without negative vote.

A motion was made by Janet Hunter and seconded by Steve Young to approve closing

Main Street from Hanson Avenue to State Road 35/70 for the Street Dance on July 3, 2024 starting at 3:30 p.m. Motion carried without negative vote.

A motion was made by Kelly Gunderson and seconded by Jeff Johnson to approve closing Main Street and State Road 35/70 from Main Street to Works Progress Street for the parade on July 4, 2024. Motion carried without negative vote.

A motion was made by Ed Johnson and seconded by Steve Young to approve waiving Village Ordinance §330-22(E): Leaving Licensed Premised with an Open Container on July 3, 2024 from 5:00 p.m. to midnight and July 4, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Motion carried without negative vote.

A motion was made by Steve Young and seconded by Jeff Johnson to approve the Conditional Use Permit for Brian Bocan to operate a campground on the lot south of 24145 First Avenue. Motion carried without negative vote.

The meeting schedule was set as follows:

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| a. Committee of the Whole:        | June 25 <sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.    |
| b. Planning Commission:           | June 26 <sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.   |
| c. Board of Appeals:              | To be set if needed.                  |
| d. Tourism Commission:            | July 17 <sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.    |
| e. Ball Park Committee:           | August 26 <sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.  |
| f. Board of Review:               | August 15 <sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. |
| g. Special Village Board Meeting: | June 25 <sup>th</sup> at 8:55 a.m.    |

A motion was made by Dave Alden and seconded by Steve Young to adjourn the Village Board Meeting at 11:02 a.m. Motion carried without negative vote.



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