

Regular Board Meeting

February 21, 2017

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Village Administrator Teresa Schnitzler. Trustees present: Brown, Deal, Hennessey, Lautz, Leicht, and Schumacher. Excused: President Manthei. Also present: Public Works Director Scott Halbrucker, Police Chief Charles Ashbeck, Recreation Director Michelle Czerwan, Village Attorney Bryant Klos, Robert Fortney, Rachel Lysne, and Rita Schmitz.

Due to Village President Dennis Manthei's excused absence, motion by Trustee Schumacher, seconded by Trustee Hennessey to appoint Trustee Leicht to preside over the regular meeting of the Village Board pursuant to Wis. Stat. Sec. 61.32. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Public Comment

Robert Fortney appeared before the Board for clarification on a permitted use in a Business District Zone. Mr. Fortney is reviewing options to purchase the property located at 115 North Leonard Street, presently owned by the Little Learners Daycare. He would like to relocate from Wisconsin Dells his recreational sign-making hobby shop to this building. Mr. Fortney would like to convert the front half of the building to a store front, group paint on canvass and barn board, and craft room area. The back portion of the building would be used by Mr. Fortney and his daughter to make custom signs. Equipment used for sign making includes a table saw, C & C router, sanders, hand tools, air compressor, hobby lacquer and paint, and other necessary equipment to make handmade signs for customers. It is possible his daughter's used clothing store presently located across the street from this property could relocate to this building in the future. Mr. Fortney states his proposed use is not manufacturing, and he requested the Village Board approve his plan for the building.

Attorney Klos advised the Village Board it does not have the authority to approve, deny, interpret, or clarify zoning matters. The legal procedure is for Mr. Fortney to apply for a determination by the Board of Appeals. In order for the Board of Appeals to make a determination, Mr. Fortney would need to submit in writing his proposed business plan for the property for the Planning Commission to review and recommendation to the Board of Appeals. The submission needs to ask the Board of Appeals to interpret and clarify the existing zoning code.

Trustee Brown informed the Board he attended the La Crosse County time capsule opening this week. The time capsule contained photographs and documents from 1966 and also contained another time capsule from 1903. Trustee Brown described several documents contained in the time capsules.

Minutes

Motion by Trustee Schumacher, seconded by Trustee Hennessey to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2017, Regular Board meeting as written. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Claims

Claims from the following funds were presented for payment:

<u>General Fund:</u>	\$1,735,350.11
<u>Water Utility:</u>	\$7,261.32
<u>Sewer Utility:</u>	\$19,980.12
<u>Storm Water Utility:</u>	\$1,569.59

Motion by Trustee Leicht, seconded by Trustee Schumacher to approve the payment of all claims as listed. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

June Dairy Days 2017

Rita Schmitz, Secretary for June Dairy Days Committee, appeared before the Board to report events planned for the 2017 June Dairy Days event. The Committee is again requesting use of the Village Park, Lions Shelter, Riverview Park, Memorial Drive, Mill Street South, and temporary uses of Leonard Street for the annual parade and other activities planned from June 2 through June 4, 2017. The Committee is requesting use of Memorial Drive beginning at 12:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 1 for the carnival setup for the weekend. The fireworks display will take place on Friday, June 2 at 10:00 p.m. Above & Beyond Fireworks will furnish the Village with all necessary insurance binders. The 4th annual car show is scheduled for Sunday, June 4 in the parking lot of Union State Bank. Due to the popularity of the car show, the Committee is again asking to utilize Leonard Street from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday with a street closing from Elm to Franklin Street. June Dairy Days is also asking for a waiver of the park closing times for Friday and Saturday nights.

Motion by Trustee Deal, seconded by Trustee Schumacher to approve the requests made by the June Dairy Days Committee. Roll call vote: Brown – abstain; remainder of Board – aye. Motion approved.

Tunnel to Towers Special Event Application

Rachel Lysne submitted a Special Event Application to hold a Tunnel to Towers 5K run/walk on Sunday, September 10, 2017, beginning at 8:46 a.m. The run/walk will utilize the same route as the June Dairy Days run/walk. Last year's event raised \$7,989 to benefit veterans.

Motion by Trustee Schumacher, seconded by Trustee Deal to approve the issuance of a Special Event Permit for the Tunnel to Towers 5K run/walk. Roll

call vote: Unanimous aye.

Motion by Trustee Lautz, seconded by Trustee Deal to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m. Approved by voice vote.

Administrator

Teresa L. Schnitzler, Village