

Regular Board Meeting

March 6, 2012

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Manthei. Trustees present: Engel, Iverson, Koelbl, Leicht, Schumacher, and Wehrs. Also present: Police Chief Charles Ashbeck, County Board Supervisor Ray Ebert, and Village Administrator Teresa Schnitzler.

Public Comment

County Board Supervisor Ray Ebert informed the Board he has been gathering information regarding a dog park proposed to be located on La Crosse County property at East Garland Street extended. The property was formerly the West Salem Rod & Gun Club's deer pen, and the area is approximately 150' X 180' in size. Mr. Ebert talked with La Crosse County Facilities Director James Speropulos. Mr. Speropulos is in favor of moving forward with a lease agreement between La Crosse County and the Village of West Salem as long as La Crosse County is not financially responsible for the park. The area is fenced on three sides, and Mr. Ebert felt the major expenses involved in developing a dog park would be fencing and parking lot improvement. The fence is owned by the West Salem Rod & Gun Club, and Mr. Speropulos has agreed to leave the fencing in place. The Village Board agreed to refer this matter to the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

Minutes

Motion by Trustee Leicht, seconded by Trustee Iverson to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2012, Regular Board meeting as written. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Claims

Claims from the following funds were presented for payment:

<u>General Fund:</u>	\$72,929.43
<u>Water Utility:</u>	\$11,295.95
<u>Sewer Utility:</u>	14,720.74

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

Special Event Application

The Board reviewed a Special Event Application submitted by Ann Mull on behalf of Coulee Region Autism Support/Autism Speaks for a fundraising walk expecting between 150 and 200 participants scheduled for May 12, 2012. The application is incomplete, and the Village Board and Chief Ashbeck have questions and concerns about the proposed route and anticipated police staffing needs.

Motion by Trustee Schumacher, seconded by Trustee Koelbl to approve the special event application contingent upon Police Chief Ashbeck's further review and final approval. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Motion by Trustee Engel, seconded by Trustee Leicht to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 p.m. Approved by voice vote.

Teresa L. Schnitzler, Village Administrator