

Public Hearing
Ordinance No. 418 to Amend Street and Sidewalk Excavations

March 20, 2007

Hearing called to order at 7:25 p.m. by President Manthei. Trustees present: Engel, Hanson, Harold, and Wehrs. Excused: Leicht and Hoffman.

Ordinance No. 418, if adopted, will amend portions of Section 5.05 Street and Sidewalk Excavations to increase the permit fee from \$25.00 to \$50.00 per permit, to increase the indemnity and cash bond amounts from \$3,000.00 to \$6,000.00, and increase the insurance liability requirements from \$100,000 for one person, \$300,000 for one accident, and property damage insurance from \$100,000 to \$1,000,000, \$3,000,000, and \$1,000,000, respectively.

There were no citizens present to speak for or against the proposed Ordinance.

Motion by Trustee Engel, seconded by Trustee Wehrs to adjourn the public hearing at 7:28 p.m. Approved by voice vote.

Teresa L. Schnitzler, Village Administrator

Regular Board Meeting

March 20, 2007

Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Manthei. Trustees present: Engel, Hanson, Harold, and Wehrs. Excused: Hoffman. Trustee Leicht arrived later as noted below. Also present: Eric Hesselberg, Rich Berghefer, Dennis Abbott, Chris Hardie, Alan Peterson, and Teresa Schnitzler.

Minutes

Motion by Trustee Harold, seconded by Trustee Engel to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2007, Regular Board meeting as written. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Claims

Claims from the following funds were presented for payment:

<u>General Fund:</u>	\$47,678.12
<u>Water Utility:</u>	\$17,006.88
<u>Sewer Utility:</u>	\$9,882.92

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

Concept Plans for West Salem Community Shelter Addition

Eric Hesselberg and Rich Berghefer presented to the Board concept plans for expansion of the West Salem Community Shelter for locker rooms. The Board had several questions regarding the campground designation, drainage issues, and bathroom facilities.

Motion by Trustee Engel, seconded by Trustee Wehrs to refer the matter to the Buildings and Grounds Committee. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Ordinance No. 418 – Street and Sidewalk Excavations

Motion by Trustee Engel, seconded by Trustee Harold to approve adoption of Ordinance No. 418 to Amend Street and Sidewalk Excavations. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Resolution 2.07 – Participation in a Joint Stormwater Grant Application

Motion by Trustee Engel, seconded by Trustee Harold to approve Resolution 2.07 to authorize the Village of West Salem to Participate in a Joint Storm Water Grant Application and Joint Public Education Effort. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

WHEREAS, the Village Of West Salem Board Of Trustees agrees to participate in the preparation of a joint grant application and joint public education effort for the general purpose of guiding and accomplishing coordinated, adjusted, and harmonious storm water public education within La Crosse County and the Village of West Salem; and

WHEREAS, the Village of West Salem realizes that participating in a joint effort in developing a public outreach message for each urbanized area would not only provide cost sharing benefits, but also more unity in the community as local governments work to comply with storm water regulations while still allowing each community the ability to tailor the message to their own constituents; and

WHEREAS, the Village of West Salem acknowledges Wisconsin's Administrative Code Chapter NR 155 allows local units of government to jointly apply for grant funding through the DNR's Urban Non-point Source and Storm Water Management Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, representatives from various local units of government have been meeting since June 2006 to discuss strategies, objectives, and expenditures that will assist in developing an outreach program that will identify, promote, inform, and educate the public; and

WHEREAS, the development of the Joint Storm Water Grant may require a financial contribution not to exceed \$200 and the development of an educational component may require a financial contribution not to exceed \$1,811 through fiscal year 2009 from the Village of West Salem;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of West Salem Board of Trustees hereby agrees to participate in the development of a Joint Storm Water Grant Application and Joint Public Education Effort.

DATED this ____ day of March, 2007.

(SEAL)

Dennis Manthei, Village President

Teresa L. Schnitzler, Village Administrator

Stormwater Management Public Education and Outreach Cooperative Agreement

Motion by Trustee Engel, seconded by Trustee Wehrs to approve and authorize Village President Dennis Manthei to enter into the Stormwater Management Public Education and Outreach Cooperative Agreement with La Crosse County, City of La Crosse, City of Onalaska, Village of Holmen, Village of West Salem, Town of Campbell, Town of Onalaska, Town of Shelby, and Town of Holland. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Operator's Licenses

Motion by Trustee Harold, seconded by Trustee Engel to approve the issuance of operator's licenses to Jeanne Bahr and Ila Krueger. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Joint Finance and Personnel Committee and Law Enforcement Committee Meeting

Trustee Wehrs reported on the March 13, 2007, Joint Finance and Personnel and Law Enforcement Committee meeting. The Committees met in closed session to interview two candidates for the police chief position.

Motion by Trustee Wehrs, seconded Trustee Engel to approve the minutes of the Joint Finance and Personnel and Law Enforcement Committee meeting of March 13, 2007. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Joint Finance and Personnel Committee and Law Enforcement Committee Meeting

Trustee Wehrs reported on the March 14, 2007, Joint Finance and Personnel and Law Enforcement Committee meeting. The Committees met in closed session to interview two candidates for the police chief position.

Motion by Trustee Wehrs, seconded Trustee Engel to approve the minutes of the Joint Finance and Personnel and Law Enforcement Committee meeting of March 14, 2007. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Joint Finance and Personnel Committee and Law Enforcement Committee Meeting

Trustee Wehrs reported on the March 15, 2007, Joint Finance and Personnel and Law Enforcement Committee meeting. The Committees met in closed session to interview one candidate for the police chief position.

Motion by Trustee Hanson, seconded by Trustee Wehrs to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2007, Joint Finance and Personnel and Law Enforcement Committee meeting and because of new information that has come forward that no action be taken tonight and refer back to committee the portion to approve the recommendation for police chief. Roll call vote: Hanson – aye; remainder of Board – nay. Motion denied.

Trustee Leicht arrived at 7:59 p.m.

Motion by Trustee Wehrs, seconded by Trustee Harold to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2007, Joint Finance and Personnel and Law Enforcement Committee meeting with a stipulation that we reconsider the offer made to the candidate Charles D. Elver, Jr. as police chief. Roll call vote: Hanson – nay; remainder of Board – aye. Motion approved.

Motion by Trustee Leicht, seconded by Trustee Engel to convene in closed session at 8:01 p.m. for consideration of employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility as authorized by Wis. Stat. Sec. 19.85(1)(c). Roll call vote: Hanson – nay; remainder of Board – aye. Motion approved.

Motion by Trustee Engel, seconded by Trustee Harold to reconvene in open session at 8:47 p.m. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Motion by Trustee Leicht to accept the recommendation of the Joint Finance and Personnel and Law Enforcement Committee for Charles D. Elver, Jr. as police chief. Motion failed for lack of a second.

Motion by Trustee Leicht, seconded by Trustee Hanson to refer the matter back to committee for recommendation. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Motion by Trustee Engel, seconded by Trustee Leicht to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Approved by voice vote.

Teresa L. Schnitzler, Village Administrator