

Regular Board Meeting

July 6, 2006

Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Manthei. Trustees present: Engel, Hanson, Harold. Wehrs arrived later as noted below. Excused: Hoffman and Leicht. Also present: Gerry Van Oss, Andrea Page, Ron Corn, Steve Kastenschmidt, Wade Peterson, Dennis Abbott, Lester Hanson, Brad Monson, Jerome Klos, Mel Konietzki, and Teresa Schnitzler.

Minutes

Motion by Trustee Engel, seconded by Trustee Harold to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2006, Regular Board meeting. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Trustee Wehrs arrived at 7:32.

Claims

Claims from the following funds were presented for payment:

<u>General Fund:</u>	\$115,855.04
<u>Water Utility:</u>	\$56,701.42
<u>Sewer Utility:</u>	\$109,735.38

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

Flag Disposal Receptacle Placement

Berg-Hemker-Olson Post 51 American Legion Commander Ron Corn appeared before the Board to request permission to place a flag deposit unit in front of the American Legion for public use to deposit American Flags. The unit is 5 ½ feet high (with the stand), 12 inches wide, and 3 feet high long and 3 feet deep. The unit was purchased by Smith Auto Body for \$900 and donated to the American Legion for flags.

Motion by Trustee Hanson, seconded by Trustee Harold to approve the request by the Berg-Hemker-Olson Post 51 to place a flag disposal receptacle on South Leonard Street in front of the American Legion. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

North Van Ness Street Project

Brad Monson appeared before the Board to voice concerns and ask questions regarding the North Van Ness Street reconstruction project. Mr. Monson questioned why he was not offered the opportunity to replace his sewer lateral during the street reconstruction project, and why the utilities were not replaced on North Van Ness Street. Mr. Monson was informed the utilities in North Van Ness Street were in good condition, and, therefore, they were not replaced. The Board informed Mr. Monson he

could hire a contractor to replace his sewer lateral now while the street is excavated in order to save the extra expense in the future if his line needed replacing.

Lester Hanson read a prepared statement to the Board expressing his concerns about utility replacements in North Van Ness Street, the street compaction to date, and an odor of raw sewage. He also expressed a concern that only one Board member has visited the reconstruction site, and none of the Street Committee members or the rest of the Board members have visited the construction projects.

Public Works Director Wade Peterson informed the Board the reconstruction projects are going well, the projects are on schedule, and inspectors have been on-site for all Village right-of-way portions of the projects.

Recreation Committee Meeting

Trustee Harold reported on the June 21, 2006, Recreation Committee meeting. The Committee voted Steve Kastenschmidt the Recreation Committee Chair. A Resolution to Extend Use of Park Impact Fees was discussed, and the Committee voted to delay approval of the Resolution until further clarification from the Village Attorney is received. The Committee discussed a letter received from Gib Wee regarding the new bike shelter lawn and landscaping, and the Committee discussed 2005/2006 programs, vacation schedules, employees, and growth of the department.

Motion by Trustee Hanson, seconded by Trustee Wehrs to approve the Recreation Committee meeting minutes of June 21, 2006. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Recreation Committee Meeting

Trustee Harold reported on the June 28, 2006, Recreation Committee meeting. Upon clarification and additional information received from the Village Attorney, the Committee voted to approve a resolution extending the use of park impact fees. The Committee also discussed the Neshonoc Lake Addition as far as timelines for acquisition and development of the one-acre neighborhood park and the remaining parkland east of the addition. The Committee voted to pursue action of non-compliance of development/developer in regard to Ordinance No. 4.07 and the Agreement between the Village and Neshonoc Lake Development dated November 29, 2005. The draft of the long-range outdoor plan was also reviewed by the Committee.

Motion by Trustee Harold, seconded by Trustee Hanson to approve the Recreation Committee meeting minutes of June 28, 2006. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Resolution 11.06 – Extend Use of Park Impact Fees

The Board discussed the recent legislation regarding park impact fees. Motion by Trustee Hanson, seconded by Trustee Engel to delay Resolution 11.06 for thirty days. Roll call vote: Wehrs – nay; remainder of Board – aye. Motion approved.

Resolution 12.06 – Adoption of a Compliance Assurance Plan

Motion by Trustee Hanson, seconded by Trustee Engel to approve the following Resolution 12.06 Adopting a Compliance Assurance Plan for the Village of West Salem Recycling Program. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 12.06
A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A
COMPLIANCE ASSURANCE PLAN FOR THE
VILLAGE OF WEST SALEM RECYCLING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Village of West Salem participates in the State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Recycling Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, effective August 1, 2006, every Responsible Unit in the Recycling Grant Program must have in place a Compliance Assurance Plan in order to be eligible for grant funding.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of the Village of West Salem adopts the attached Compliance Assurance Plan.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Village Board of the Village of West Salem, County of La Crosse, State of Wisconsin on this 6th day of July, 2006.

/s/ _____
Dennis Manthei, Village President

(SEAL)

/s/ _____
Teresa L. Schnitzler, Village Administrator

Operator's Licenses

Motion by Trustee Harold, seconded by Trustee Hanson to approve operator's licenses for Kenneth R. Williams and Lisa K. Simonson. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Proposal to Post Village Board Meeting Minutes on Website

Motion by Trustee Engel, seconded by Trustee Harold to approve posting the Village Board of Trustees meeting minutes on the West Salem website at a cost of \$200.00. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Other Agenda:

Trustee Engel and President Manthei brought the Board up-to-date on the Shared Ride program, which began on July 1. Coupon books are available and will also be sold at the Village Administration office. Shared Ride will serve the Town of Hamilton, but there is an extra \$1.00 charge.

Police Chief Dennis Abbott shared with the Board a letter he received from La Crosse County Corporation Counsel William Shepherd. The letter informed area law enforcement of the recently enacted La Crosse County Ordinance providing law enforcement with an option of charging marijuana offenders with a municipal ordinance violation. Chief Abbott was not in favor of the new option of charging possession of 25 grams or less of marijuana and/or possession of drug paraphernalia as a municipal court ordinance.

Motion by Trustee Hanson, seconded by Trustee Harold to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m. Approved by voice vote.

Teresa L. Schnitzler, Village Administrator