

Regular Board Meeting

August 15, 2006

Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Manthei. Trustees present: Engel, Hanson, Harold, Hoffman, Leicht, and Wehrs. Also present: Wade Peterson, Dennis Abbott, Richard Berg, Bob Litchie, Susan Cooley, Jerome Klos, Emily Wilson, Dan Pogreba, Brian Fukuda, Steve O'Malley, Jim Hill, Mary Freybler, Bill Shepherd, Springsted Representatives Makayla Hewett and Paul Steinman, Gary Ingvalson, Steve Doyle, Charlie Handy, and Teresa Schnitzler.

Minutes

Motion by Trustee Harold, seconded by Trustee Leicht to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2006, Regular Board meeting. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Claims

Claims from the following funds were presented for payment:

<u>General Fund:</u>	\$414,687.65
<u>Water Utility:</u>	\$4,660.85
<u>Sewer Utility:</u>	\$9,556.87

Motion by Trustee Hoffman, seconded by Trustee Leicht to approve the payment of all claims as listed. Roll call vote: Hanson – nay; remainder of Board - aye. Motion approved.

La Crosse County Presentation and Proposals for Lakeview Business Park – Phase 1B
Representatives of various departments and interests for La Crosse County and Lakeview Business Park appeared before the Board with a proposal to develop Phase 1B of the Lakeview Business Park. The proposal introduced an idea for how the Village of West Salem, La Crosse County, the West Salem School District, the Lakeview Health Care Center, and some current business prospects for the Lakeview Business Park could work together to efficiently meet the needs of each individual organization. The proposal identifies some of the issues facing each of the stakeholders in the business park as well as some of the assets that each can bring for collaborative efforts. The proposal involves the Village creating a tax incremental district for Phase 1B of the Lakeview Business Park. The County and Village would enter into a revenue sharing agreement in which the Village pledges the increment to pay the County for the infrastructure and development costs. The County proposes to finance the development of infrastructure for Phase 1B. Based upon preliminary feasibility analysis, the tax incremental district should be able to be retired after ten years. In addition, locating a suitable site for a new Village municipal reservoir and completing a master plan for the entire County-owned land would be incorporated into the collaborative efforts.

The Village Board agreed to put this matter on the agenda for the September 5, 2006, Board meeting for additional discussion.

West Salem Area Tourism Ad Hoc Committee Meeting

Trustee Leicht reported on the August 1, 2006, West Salem Area Tourism Ad Hoc Committee meeting. "Discover West Salem" postcards have been printed and distributed in the West Salem area, and a mailing will also be completed in a week or two. The Committee agreed to send a letter to Lake Neshonoc Campground and to Veteran's Memorial Park Campground to request the organizations consider collecting a tourism tax. The Committee would like to offer its assistance in any updating of the West Salem brochure and the website. The Committee discussed the Welcome to West Salem signage, and Mr. Romskog will gather information on the present signage.

Motion by Trustee Leicht, seconded by Trustee Harold to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2006, meeting of the West Salem Area Tourism Ad Hoc Committee. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Law Enforcement Committee Meeting

Trustee Wehrs reported on the August 10, 2006, Law Enforcement Committee meeting. The Committee met in closed session for consideration of employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data as authorized by Wis. Stat. Sec. 19.85(1)(c). In open session, the Committee agreed to contact the Union to schedule a closed session meeting.

Motion by Trustee Wehrs, seconded by Trustee Harold to approve the minutes of the August 10, 2006, Law Enforcement Committee meeting. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Planning Commission Meeting

President Manthei reported on the August 15, 2006, Planning Commission meeting. The Commission reviewed a Preliminary Plat of Riverview Estates Addition, located north of Wagon Drive extended. Village Engineer Dave Sauer has recommended approval of the Preliminary Plat contingent upon four conditions. Bob Litchie and Engineer Dick Berg addressed each of the conditions with the Planning Commission. Mr. Litchie indicated an easement for Xcel Energy between Lots 2 and 3 will be included on the Final Plat. The Commission recommended a fence shall be installed at developer's expense along the 10-foot access easement behind Lot 1 to the Village Park and a fence shall be installed around the detention and sedimentation pond also at developer's expense. The Planning Commission and Bob Litchie (on behalf of developer William Bosshard) agreed a written statement would be provided to the Planning Commission by the developer stating the developer has opted to contribute park fees in lieu of parkland dedication. The Planning Commission recommended approval of Riverview Estates Addition contingent upon the four conditions set forth by Engineer Dave Sauer are satisfied and that the Restrictive Covenants for the development include a building elevation above the curb line restriction. The Commission discussed building grades and elevations and recommended a review of the building ordinances relating to height and elevation restrictions.

Motion by President Manthei, seconded by Trustee Hoffman to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2006, Planning Commission meeting. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Operator's Licenses

Motion by Trustee Wehrs, seconded by Trustee Engel to approve issuance of bartender's licenses to Tamie Batzel, Travis Dale, Dana S. Hess, Benjamin Morgan, Ranee Neuverth, Jake Stello, Jolene Tenner, and Jamie Lee Truax. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Neshonoc Lake Addition Parkland

Attorney Klos informed the Board Neshonoc Lake Addition has now deeded both parkland areas to the Village of West Salem. In addition, an Access Agreement has been drafted providing the roadway to the lower parkland and the stormwater detention pond.

Motion by Trustee Wehrs, seconded by Trustee Engel to authorize the Village Administrator and the Village President to sign the Access Agreement and related documents once all terms of the Agreement have been approved by the Public Works Director and Village Attorney. Roll call vote: Unanimous aye.

Traffic Controls at North Mark Street and East Tilson Street

Trustee Engel requested the Law Enforcement Committee review traffic controls at the intersection of North Mark Street and East Tilson Street. The Board agreed to refer this matter to the Law Enforcement Committee.

Motion by Trustee Engel, seconded by Trustee Leicht to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m. Approved by voice vote.

Teresa L. Schnitzler, Village Administrator