

Village Board Meeting
January 11, 2016

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m. by President Boehnlein.

Roll Call of Officers: Officers present were President Vickie Boehnlein, Trustees Pete Anzia, Andy Ohlson, Wayne Lambrecht, and Clem Gottsacker. Officers absent were Trustees Dale Pfeifer and Josh Borden. A quorum was established. Also in attendance was Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Kelly Brinkman.

Open Meeting Law Compliance Check: This meeting is in compliance with the Open Meetings Law of the State of Wisconsin.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag, Moment of Silence: All in attendance stood for the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

Public Input (2 Minutes/Person – 10 Minutes Total Time) – There were no comments from the public.

Consent Agenda Items: A motion was made by Boehnlein and seconded by Lambrecht to approve the consent agenda items. Ayes – Anzia, Ohlson, Boehnlein, Lambrecht, Gottsacker; Noes – none; Abstain – none. Motion carried.

- Approval of Minutes
 - Village Board December 14, 2016
- Finances
 - Approve 2016 League of WI Municipalities Membership Renewal - \$819.89 – Budgeted
 - Approve Payment of Bills

Unfinished Business:

- a. **Update on Property Deed for 195 Commerce St** – Attorney Antoine stated that the deed has been recorded and the original was given to Fire Chief Birenbaum prior to the evening's meeting.

New Business:

- a. **Approve Reserve “Class B” Liquor License for Hobos LLC** – Attorney Antoine inquired if Hobos LLC was already running the restaurant, and President Boehnlein confirmed that they are. Attorney Antoine stated that the board could not grant the license this evening as state law and Village Ordinance state you cannot grant a license until 15 days lapse after receiving the application. Brinkman noted that the application was received January 8th, and the responsible beverage certificate and initial fee grant application was received today. Attorney Antoine stated in this case the Clerk can issue a provisional “Class B” license which is valid for 60 days, and the license can be added to next month's Board Meeting.
- b. **Approve Application for Initial Fee Grant for Hobos LLC** – As the Reserve “Class B” Liquor License was not yet approved, this item has been tabled.
- c. **Approve Land Division of 17.24 Acres – 5890 County Road KW** – President Boehnlein stated that this was approved by the Plan Commission, and although the property is not located within the Village of Belgium, it is adjacent to the Village, just south of the Heritage Park subdivision. By law the Village Board must approve the division as it's in the Village's extraterritorial plat approval jurisdiction. The property owner wishes to split 1.5 acres of property from the rest of the acreage. This would allow the property owner to sell the house, but keep the farm land in the trust. A motion was made by Boehnlein and seconded by Gottsacker. Ayes – Anzia, Ohlson, Boehnlein, Lambrecht, Gottsacker; Noes – none; Abstain – none. Motion carried.
- d. **Approve Candidate A for Position of Village Clerk – as Recommended by Finance & Personnel Committee** – Boehnlein stated that Finance & Personnel interviewed 3 possible candidates and candidate A is the committee's recommendation. A motion was made by Boehnlein and seconded by Lambrecht to approve candidate A for the position of Village Clerk. Ayes – Anzia, Ohlson, Boehnlein, Lambrecht, Gottsacker; Noes – none; Abstain – none. Motion carried.
- e. **Approve New Operator's License – John Greene** – A motion was made by Gottsacker and seconded by Lambrecht to approve the new Operator's License for John Greene. Ayes – Anzia, Ohlson, Lambrecht, Gottsacker; Noes – none; Abstain – Boehnlein. Motion carried.
- f. **Approve Amount per Acre for Annual Rental of 8 Acres of Village Land on W. Silver Beach Rd & Possible Renewal of Rental Agreement – Agreement for Crop Years 2013-2015 Expired 12/31/15** – Brinkman commented that she added this to the agenda as the prior agreement expired on 12/31/2015, and although the renter has not yet contacted the Village to renew, Brinkman wanted to be ready with the amount per acre and crop years board is willing to renew. Attorney Antoine commented that the price per acre was originally set below market as the Village benefits from the renter farming the land as DPW does not have to maintain it. Lambrecht inquired to why the Village owns the parcel. Boehnlein stated that the land was a donation from the property owner who owed back taxes on the 11 acre parcel, which is adjacent to the Wastewater Treatment Plant. She donated the parcel to the Village in exchange for the Village paying the

back taxes, the majority of which came back to us, and 2 acres to be dedicated to a dog park. There was talk at one point to do a land swap with the property owner on Silver Beach Rd in order to put in the stormwater retention pond, but that arrangement fell through. At the moment we are renting it out for farming so that we don't incur any costs cutting vegetation. Right now the long-term plan would be that hopefully someday it would either offset the costs for the stormwater pond, or should the Wastewater Treatment Plant need to expand, the land is available for that. Attorney Antoine said the market cost varies but could be around \$110.00 to \$150.00/acre depending on parcel size, land quality, etc. The Village has been renting it at \$50.00/acre, which keeps the parcel flat and eliminates required maintenance, and the board isn't looking to make a profit. Lambrecht inquired what would happen if we entered into another 3-year lease and something happened, and the Village needs the land. Attorney Antoine stated that a cancellation clause could be added. Boehnlein would like Brinkman to inquire if the current renter is interested in renewing and if so, that we would like to add a cancellation clause with prior notice should the Village need the land for other purposes. Gottsacker stated to be fair that the cancellation should only be after a crop year, so the renter has time to remove his crops. The Village Board agreed. The item was tabled until the next Village Board meeting, when more information would be available.

President's Report: Boehnlein had nothing to report.

Belgium Area Chamber of Commerce Report: Boehnlein stated she was at the last Chamber meeting, and currently they are working on membership and the Brew & Chew event which is in February. There was more discussion regarding the tourism commission; they are definitely interested.

Reports – Acceptance of December Reports: A motion was made by Boehnlein and seconded by Lambrecht to accept the December reports. Ayes – Anzia, Ohlson, Boehnlein, Lambrecht, Gottsacker; Noes – none; Abstain – none. Motion carried.

- Ozaukee County Sheriff's Report
- Building Inspector's Report
- Fire Chiefs Report
- Staff Reports
 - Clerk
 - Treasurer
 - Administrative Assistant

- DPW / Water Superintendent
- Wastewater Superintendent
- Marshal / Deputy Marshal

Committee Reports

- a. **Finance and Personnel** – The committee had nothing to report
- b. **Public Safety** – The committee had nothing to report
- c. **Public Services** – The committee had nothing to report
- d. **Public Works** – The committee had nothing to report
- e. **Parks, Recreation & Forests** – The committee had nothing to report
- f. **Public Utilities** – The committee had nothing to report.

Motion to Adjourn: A motion to adjourn at 7:18pm was made by Boehnlein and seconded by Lambrecht. Ayes – Anzia, Ohlson, Boehnlein, Lambrecht, Gottsacker; Noes – none; Abstain – none. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Brinkman
Village Deputy Clerk

Approved Village Board Meeting 2/8/2016