

Village of Gilman

P.O. Box 157

Gilman, WI 54433-0157

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, August 12, 2020 / 7:00 PM

Gilman Municipal Building

385 East Main Street

Gilman, WI 54433

Minutes

Village President Jane DeStaercke called the regular meeting to order in open session at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were Jane DeStaercke, Eileen Grunseth, Cheryl Rosemeyer, Mike Kinas, Bob Mechelke, Greg Steinbach, and Ericka Bertsinger. Village Public Works Director Rick Johnson, Village Chief of Police Thomas Tallier, and Assistant Clerk Valorie Kulesa were present. Ginna Young reporter for the Star News was present.

Village Trustee Eileen Grunseth led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Special Order of Business- none

Immediate Public Concerns- None

Trustee Bob Mechelke made a motion and Trustee Mike Kinas seconded approving the minutes with adding what the motion was in Old Business 2nd paragraph: Regular Board Meeting July 8, 2020; First Impressions July 17, 2020; AD Hoc Mobile Home Court August 10, 2020, and Finance Committee on August 10, 2020; All were in favor.

A motion by Trustee Eileen Grunseth and seconded by Trustee Bob Mechelke to approve the vouchers/bills as presented. POOLED CASH for SSCU 32250-32259 and FORWARD 11626-11711, Restricted 1008 & 1009, Journal Entries 0431-Error Correct, No CDBG Checks. Also WRS/WDC/TASC/EFTPS/DOR. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.

Reports:

President's Report- President Jane DeStaercke-reported July has been another relatively quiet month in the Village. The finishing touches have been put on the council room with some of the remaining grant funds. It also appears that the landscaping is almost completed. Extensions will be necessary for some of the downspouts, and she authorized the work to be done. MSA is beginning to put the final touches on the grant to close out the project by the slated October date. She has registered to take a free online virtual all-day seminar provided by the League of Wisconsin Municipalities. The presentation is entitled "Avoiding Common Mistakes". She listened to the WHEDA presentation about their proposal to create models for allocating funds for rural housing and she also gave a letter to all the Village employees regarding COVID-19 and wearing masks.

Police Chief Tom Tallier had his written report for the Board and reported he had 11 new issues.

A question was asked about how old his vehicle was and when it needed to be replaced and if there were any funds available due to the COVID-19.

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Treasurer's Report – Fran Prasnicky had a written report that was in the packet for the fund balances for July 09, 2020 to August 12, 2020 for the pooled cash accounts and other accounts. Trustee Eileen Grunseth made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report and Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Public Works Director Rick Johnson had a written report for the Board. Rick stated the steps for the east side of the building are supposed to be here Thursday morning.

Clerk's Report – A copy of the Clerk's report was in the Board packet.

The August 12, 2020 budget was is in the Board packet for review and the Finance Committee reviewed the report at their meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Western Taylor County Public Library's Grand Opening is still postponed at this time. Trustee Bob Mechelke reported the Memorial Project is on its way, he has been in contact with Scott Copenhaver and they are getting bids and ideas for the Project. A budget is needed. They would like to put electric outside for people to use. The matter will be put on the Agenda for next month.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Eileen Grunseth made a motion to approve the Assessors Contract for 2021, seconded by Trustee Mike Kinas. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.

Electrical Quotes for Stage-put on agenda for next month.

Trustee Eileen Grunseth made a motion to approve the LP Prepay from Cloverleaf seconded by Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.

Resolution 2020-08 Library Exemption Taylor County-tabled until the September meeting.

Trustee Mike Kinas made a motion to approve the Ordinance Amendment 130.17, Operator license approval seconded by Trustee Ericka Bertsinger. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.

UDC Inspector – President Jane DeStaercke suggested a Thank You card be sent for his service.

There are no updates to the employee handbook at this time to approve but Lisa (HR Attorney) from the League of Wisconsin Municipalities is working on updating the Village handbook at this time.

COVID -19- Village Clerk Candice Grunseth continues to send emails or provide updates to the Board.

Committee dates were set as follows:

Finance committee on September 8, 2020 @ 3:30PM

Tree Board on September 16, 2020 @ 5:30PM

Personnel Meeting, Parks, Public Safety, Mobile Home Ad Hoc, Improvements are not scheduled at this time.

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Agenda Items: Resolution 2020-08 Library Exemption, Closed Session-Employee handbook (wording), landscaping/electric for library project, quotes for electric on the stage in the Park, replace door in conference room and garbage/dump.

Trustee Greg Steinbach made a motion at 7:35 pm to adjourn to closed session per Wis. Stat. 19.85 (1) (c) to evaluate the Village Employees. Trustee Mike Kinas seconded the motion. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.

Trustee Eileen Grunseth made a motion at 8:35 to return to open session. Trustee Ericka Bertsinger seconded the motion. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 7-0.

President Jane DeStaercke made a motion to approve the Employee Evaluations and have Personnel chair Eileen Grunseth present them and Trustee Mike Kinas seconded the motion. Motion carried all in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m. by motion from Trustee Ericka Bertsinger and seconded by Trustee Greg Steinbach. Motion carried all in favor.

Valorie Kulesa
Village Assistant Clerk
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