

Village of Gilman

P.O. Box 157
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Regular Meeting

Wednesday, March 9, 2022 / 6:00 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 6:00 p.m. Board members present were Jane DeStaercke, Greg Steinbach, Ericka Bertsinger, Mark Person, John Novitski and Cheryl Rosemeyer. Lisa Anderson was absent. Village Public Works Director Rick Johnson, Chief of Police Thomas Tallier and Village Clerk Candice Grunseth were present. Along with Star News Reporter Ginna Young was present.

Village Trustee Mark Person led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Wally Leipart from Gilman School was present to talk about the referendum for the school. He had a handout explaining the request to exceed the revenue limit for the next four years. He stated the strategic planning of the school in the past has put it in a good position. They also have utilized their federal grant funds for HVAC upgrades as needed. This referendum will be on the April 5, 2022 ballot.

Dave Rasmussen from MSA was available to talk with the Board on the option of creating a TIF in the Village. TIF- Tax Increment Financing is a tool that helps communities develop and grow. The taxes from the TIF stay in the Village and help with the infrastructure costs, can create developer incentives, can demolish buildings or acquire land as well. He is recommending a mixed use TIF to allow housing in the TIF. When you create a TIF you create a project plan and proposed projects in the district. IF this TIF is created before September 1, 2022 it will capture the January 1, 2022 values and if created after September 2022 then it will capture January 1, 2023 values. He stated that if you see any development happening this year to create before then September date to capture that new value. Dave provided a timeline for the Village to create the TIF. MSA proposal is \$16,000 and it could come out of TIF funds once created.

There was No Immediate Public Concerns.

Trustee John Novitski made a motion to approve the following minutes and Trustee Mark Person seconded the motion: Regular Board Meeting February 9, 2022, AdHoc January 16, 2022 and Finance Committee on March 7, 2022; All were in favor.

A motion by Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer and seconded by Trustee Ericka Bertsinger to approve the vouchers/bills as presented. POOLED CASH for SSCU 32395-32399 and FORWARD 13186-13251, Restricted 1023 and CDBG None and Journal Entry. Also, WRS/WDC/TASC/EFTPS/DOR. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 6-0-1. (Anderson absent)

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Reports:

President Jane DeStaercke reported on the Economic Development and Connect Communities. She also wrote a letter in support of the County for Broadband grants.

Treasurer's Report – Fran Prasnicki had a written report that was in the packet for the fund balances for February 10, 2022 to March 9, 2022 for the pooled cash accounts and other accounts. Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report and Trustee Greg Steinbach seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Chief of Police Tom Tallier had a written report for the Board. He discussed that he has his new squad laptop but the new squad is still not ready and they don't know when it will be.

Public Works Director Rick Johnson had a written report in the packet. Rick discussed that he had Jesse Jones come in on the pumps and will complete the soft starts in the next month.

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

The March 9, 2022 budget was is in the Board packet for review and Candice reviewed with the Finance Committee at their meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Chair Thomas Tallier stated there was a meeting on the 16th discussing Housing and Economic Development. President Jane DeStaercke discussed the Connect Communities and that it was a cost of \$200 annually to connect us with other communities and gather more information on economic development. Tom and Jane both discussed the help of Dave Wierzba from WEDC on this. Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer made a motion to approve the \$200 fee and Trustee John Novitski seconded the motion. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 6-0-1 (Anderson absent).

The Extra Sewer Payment is tabled until April until the CDS come due.

NEW BUSINESS:

Finance Committee reviewed the other fees that would be part of the water rate application and Village Clerk Candice Grunseth walked the board through Attachment 17 of the water rate application. Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer made the motion to approve all other fees as discussed and Trustee Mark Person seconded the motion. \$35 for NSF, \$25 for Special Billing Charges, Special Meter Reading Charges, Missed Appointment Charges, and Real Estate Closing Charges. A \$50 charge for Reconnection Charges during normal business hours and \$75 if after hours. There is a 3% one-time charge for late fees. The application along with the recommending rate increase will come before the Village Board for final approval at a future meeting. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 6-0-1 (Anderson Absent).

Village clerk Candice Grunseth explained the need for three posting sites in the Village. Trustee John Novitski made a motion to approve the Gilman Post Office and Trustee Greg Steinbach seconded the motion. All were in favor.

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Committee dates were set as follows:

Finance committee on April 11, 2022 @ 2:00PM

Parks Committee on April 11 @ 3:45PM

Improvements Committee on April 11 @ 4:15,

Tree Board on Monday March 14 @ 5PM

Personnel, Public Safety, and Mobile Home Ad Hoc are not scheduled at this time.

Agenda Items: Quit Claim Deed from Gilman Care Center on the parking lots for Hickory Circle and Drangle Drive, CDS and Sewer Payment, TIF and Arbor Day.

Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer made a motion at 7:35pm to adjourn to closed session per Wis. Stat. 19.85 (1) (c) to consider employment and Trustee John Novitski seconded the motion. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 6-0-1 (Anderson Absent).

Trustee John Novitski made a motion at 8:12pm to return to open session and Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer seconded the motion. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 6-0-1(Anderson absent).

Trustee Ericka Bertsinger made a motion to set up interviews and Trustee Mark Person seconded the motion. All were in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m. by motion from Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer and seconded by Trustee John Novitski. Motion carried all in favor.

Candice Grunseth, WCMC

Village Clerk

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