

Village of Gilman

P.O. Box 157
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Regular Meeting

Wednesday, February 14, 2024 / 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 6:00PM. Board members present were Jane DeStaercke, Mark Person, Cheryl Rosemeyer, Russell Baker, and Ericka Bertsinger. Dee Bornheimer and Bob Preston were absent. Village Public Works Director Dave Kroepflin, Village Clerk Candice Grunseth and Police Chief Tom Tallier were present. Ginna Young Report for the paper was present.

Village Trustee Ericka Bertsinger led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Special Order of Business: None

There were no Immediate Public Concerns.

Trustee Russell Baker made a motion to approve the following minutes and Trustee Ericka Bertsinger seconded the motion: Regular Board Meeting January 10, 2024, and Finance Committee on February 12, 2024; All were in favor.

A motion by Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer and seconded by Trustee Mark Person to approve the vouchers/bills as presented. POOLED CASH for SSCU 32581-32591 & FORWARD 14498-14558 and vouchers V666-709, JE 523-527, WRS/WDC/TASC/EFTPS/DOR, CDBG 519, No Restricted or RLF. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 5-0-2 (Bornheimer and Preston absent).

Reports:

President Jane DeStaercke presented a report that noted our Flood Plain was sent to FEMA for final approval. Jane noted that each board member should plan to attend the Design Wisconsin Charette on March 21-23. Jane noted she would like to update the Sick Leave payout policy the Village currently has. She has asked Personnel and Finance to meet on this together.

Treasurer's Report – Fran Prasnicki had a written report that was in the packet for the fund balances for January 11, 2024, through February 13, 2024 for the pooled cash accounts and the other accounts. She also has updated the CD amounts. Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report and Trustee Mark Person seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Chief of Police Tom Tallier had a written report for the Board and noted the 14 complaints for the month. Last month it was discussed to look into a crosswalk on main. Tom did some checking and received information on the state permitting. Also, Chief Tallier discussed an agency assist arrest he would have participated in if necessary. He further stated that this arrest has made our area much safer.

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Public Works Director Dave Kroeplin had a written report in the packet. He discussed that he fixed the heater in the water tower. He had Bob Bitney in to work on the outdoor lighting at the lift station and sewer plant. Dave is testing the BODS and SS on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for 2 weeks as requested by engineer Larry Gotham in conjunction with the Sewer Use rates that probably need updating.

Clerk's Report – A copy of the Clerk's report was in the Board packet for review. Village Clerk Candice Grunseth discussed the reports that were completed this month: WRS, 1099s, W-2s, WT-7 all before January 31, 2024. Candice noted there was no Primary this month and Election will be held on April 2 for Presidential Primary and the local races(village, school board, and county). She noted the discussion of the COMP Plan review during finance along with the website updating. There is the liquor license approval for Gilman Food Mart and next month will be for Celebrations Hall.

The 2024 Budget was in the board packet for review. Candice reviewed the budget with the Finance Committee at their meeting on Monday. She noted the income and expenses were just 6 weeks into the new year.

OLD BUSINESS:

Chief Tallier didn't not have anything new at this time to report. Village Clerk Candice Grunseth noted the discussion with Rapids Housing/Schultz Enterprise on them wanting to bring in new mobile homes to the courts. The Village is hoping that this is new mobile homes as there are 3 current homes that are not being used or may not be livable. Candice will update the Board as she hears anything more.

Public Works Director Dave Kroeplin noted that the Village must test one well for 2024 for PFAS testing at this time. President Jane DeStaercke noted that Dave got everything submitted that he could and stated that he didn't need to provide anything further.

NEW BUSINESS:

Tom Tallier discussed the information he found out on putting in a Crosswalk for the Village. This concern came up from a resident for a crosswalk on main street/Hwy 64 between Gilman Cheese building and the Hidden Treasure building by 3rd Avenue. Tom also reported that Gilman Cheese employees cross there to go to the plant. There was discussion about if there should be something on main street from 5th Avenue north or across fifth avenue north towards the gas station. This item was not acted on.

Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer made the motion to approve the Gilman Food Mart Class A Combination License and Trustee Ericka Bertsinger seconded the motion. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 5-0-2 (Bornheimer and Preston absent). Trustee Russell Baker made the motion to approve the Operator's License for Mahendar Patel and Trustee Ericka Bertsinger seconded the motion. All were in favor.

President Jane DeStaercke made the motion to approve Northwest Regional Planning for updating the Comp Plan. Their Proposal was \$11,300 (with separate costs for meetings) and Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer seconded the motion. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 5-0-2 (Bornheimer and Preston absent).

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Renee Burton resigned from the Revolving Loan Fund committee. Trustee Ericka Bertsinger made a motion to approve Molly Knoll on the RLF Board and Trustee Mark Person seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Committee dates were set as follows:

Finance committee on March 11, 2024 @ 2:30PM along with Personnel Committee

Improvements Meeting on Wednesday March 6, 2024, at 5PM

Parks, Tree Board, and Public Safety are not scheduled currently.

Agenda Items: Liquor Application for Celebration Hall, Crosswalk on Marchs agenda but take PFAS off the agenda.

Trustee Russell Baker made a motion at 6:47pm to adjourn to closed session per Wis. Stat. 19.85 (1) (e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public fund, or conducting other specific public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session and Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer seconded the motion. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 5-0-2 (Bornheimer and Preston absent).

Trustee Rusell Baker made a motion at 7:20PM to return to open session and Trustee Cheryl Rosemeyer seconded the motion. The motion carried on a roll call vote of 5-0-2 (Bornheimer and Preston absent).

The meeting adjourned at 7:21PM by motion from Trustee Dee Bornheimer and seconded by Trustee Mark Person. Motion carried all in favor.

Candice Grunseth, WCMC

Village Clerk

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