

# MINUTES OF VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

April 20, 2020

The meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Slinger was called to order by President Brandt at the Village Community Room located at 218 Slinger Road, Slinger, WI, at 6:00 PM on Monday, April 20, 2020 in accordance with the notice of meeting delivered to the members on April 17, 2020.

## 1. Roll Call:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Russell Brandt, President	x	
Jeff Behrend	x	
Lee Fredericks		x (excused)
Rick Gundrum	x	
Rick Kohl	x	
Dean Otte	x	
Marlyss Thiel	x	
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Also Present:

Village Administrator Margaret Wilber, Village Engineer Jim Haggerty, Police Chief Dean Schmidt and Village Clerk Tammy Tennes.

President Brandt informed the members present that the open meeting law had been complied with in connection with the meeting. Notice of the meeting was sent to all who requested same and posted in three public locations.

## 2. Consent Agenda

### A. Minutes

1. 4-6-2020 Minutes DRAFT

### B. Vouchers

1. April 20, 2020 Voucher Report

### C. Committee Reports

1. PPWF March 2020 Report
2. March Police Report

Motion Board Member Otte/Board Member Kohl to approve the minutes of 4-6-2020 and pre-authorized checks #51070-51110 in the amount of \$234,477.45 and payroll checks #200417001-200417065 in the amount of \$56,715.03; Passed

## 3. Public Comments - None. Due to the current emergency conditions, there will be no

**public comments section at this meeting. Members of the public are encouraged to submit comments in writing via mail or email, or contact Village Hall at 262-644-5265 to submit comments for distribution to the Village Board.**

**4. Unfinished Business and Action Thereon: None**

**5. New Business and Action Thereon**

**A. Resolutions**

**1. 04-02-2020 Farmstead Creek Highlands LOC Reduction**

Administrator Wilber reminded the Board that is is the standard resolution for a reducing a cash deposit. She stated that Engineer Haggerty has reviewed the invoice and confirmed the invoice from Ruckert-Mielke for continued construction review and record drawings for GIS for the Farmstead Creek Highlands. The amount payable to Ruckert-Mielke is \$7,779.50

Motion Board Member Gundrum/Board Member Behrend to approve Resolution 4-2-2020; Passed

**B. Licenses and Permits**

**C. Review and Action**

**1. Consider reduction in Liquor License fees for 2020-2021 Season**

Administrator Wilber stated that since many of the businesses affected by the current emergency order restrictions are restaurants and taverns, municipalities in the State are considering the option of reducing their licensing fees to lessen the financial burden for these operations. She stated that this would be a temporary adjustment to the Village's fee schedule for this licensing cycle only. Administrator Wilber noted that Deputy Clerk Smith had provided costs to show the difference in revenue, if the Board decided to make a reduction in the liquor license fees.

Discussion was held on what establishments held which licenses. The Board agreed that they did not want to reduce the liquor license fee for grocery stores or gas stations that have been continuing to sell during the emergency order restrictions.

It was noted that Class B Combo licenses, meaning the taverns and restaurants, are the only liquor licenses that should have a reduced fee for the 2020-2021 (July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021) liquor license cycle. The Board agreed that the Class B Combo license will have a fee of \$50.

Motion Board Member Otte/Board Member Thiel to Motion; Passed

**2. Police Officer Recruitment Schedule**

Chief Schmidt informed the Board that there currently is a lot of competition among hiring new officers. He stated that staff has selected 7 candidates to go before the Police Commission and those candidates are either still in the academy or need to attend the academy. Chief Schmidt stated that the start date for the new hire is set for July 1, 2020, yet he feels that the applicants that graduate from the academy in May will be already accepting jobs elsewhere if we don't move up the hire date to June 1, 2020. He recommends that the Board change the hire date from July 1, 2020 to June 1, 2020.

Administrator Wilber explained the additional funds for this could come from the unused balance in the contingency account, if the PD's budget does not absorb the increase.

Motion Board Member Behrend/Board Member Gundrum to approve changing the starting date for the new police officer from July 1, 2020 to June 1, 2020; Passed

### **3. American Eagle Stormwater Side Letter Agreement**

Administrator Wilber stated that the Stonefield Terrace property was scheduled for closing on Friday, April 17, 2020 and up until the transfer of ownership, the property was included in a cost-sharing agreement associated with the regional stormwater pond located between American Eagle Dr. and STH 60, just west of CTH C. During the preparation of the land's sale it was determined that a portion of this property's stormwater does not flow into the subject pond and the seller and the buyer have reached an agreement to release the parcel from the cost-sharing agreement that was set up for the regional pond. She stated that the Village has been asked to sign a side letter of agreement acknowledging that the Village has been notified of the change in agreement. Administrator Wilber noted that this has no fiscal impact for the Village or any of the Village Utilities, the parties just want the Village involved because this matter is part of the stormwater management agreement.

Motion Board Member Otte/Board Member Behrend to approve the side letter agreement for the American Eagle Stormwater; Passed

### **4. Farmstead Creek Traffic Review**

President Brandt confirmed that all members of the Board had received the email from concerned resident, Mr. William Holz Sr., regarding the review of traffic in the Farmstead Creek subdivision.

Discussion was held on the current speed signs and the possibility of additional signs within that area. It was agreed that some additional 25 m/h speed signs would be beneficial. Chief Schmidt and Engineer Haggerty agreed that two speed signs, one at each entrance of Spur Rd. is necessary, along with one on Meadowview Dr and one on Farmstead Dr.

Motion Board Member Gundrum/Board Member Thiel to approve the installation of (4) 25 m/h speed limit signs, located on Spur Rd at each entrance, on Meadowview Dr. and on Farmstead Dr.; Passed

### **5. Planning Commission Meeting Date Change**

President Brandt stated that he is no longer on the County Board, which is why the meeting date was changed and now staff is asking that it go back to the Wednesday between Village Board meetings. He noted that the Planning Commission did not have an issue with this change.

Administrator Wilber noted that it is helpful to have the Planning Commission meeting the week between Board meetings, due to the timing of some matters.

Motion Board Member Otte/President Brandt to approve the changing of the Planning Commission day to the Wednesday of the week between Village Board meetings; Passed

### **6. Ordinances**

### **7. Communications and Possible Action Thereon**

**8. Staff Reports and Action Thereon**

**A. Spring 2020 Election Results**

Discussion was held on the voting that occurred within the Village and the Village results.

**9. Adjourn**

Motion Board Member Behrend/Board Member Kohl to adjourn at 6:28pm; Passed

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_

Russell Brandt

Drafted By: Tammy Tennes, Clerk/HR Village of Slinger

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