

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL VILLAGE BOARD MEETING – FEBRUARY 11, 2015

The special Village Board Meeting of the Village of Hustisford was called to order @ 7:00PM by Village President **Dennis Uecker** at 201 South Lake Street, Hustisford WI, on Wednesday February 11, 2015 in accordance with the Notice of Meeting delivered to trustees on February 6, 2015.

Trustees Present: Bob Knueppel, Mike Grant, Mary Jensen, Harold Yates and Bruce Nekich

Trustees Absent: Ted Engelbart

Others Present: Kim Hopfinger, Kirk Kaul, Ian Prust, Pam Grant, Grace Degner, Dan Strobel, Brian Thimm, Matt Pieper, Pat Kurtz, Walter Lueder, Nathan Schoenike, Jason Hundt, Jessica Hundt, Judy Ashby and Jody Kibler

President Dennis Uecker called the meeting to order.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss/approve the acquisition of Firemen's Hall and the entire property of 316 E. Tweedy Street by the Village of Hustisford from the Fire Company. On 1/15/15 the Village of Hustisford submitted an Offer to Purchase the property for \$1. The Fire Company has submitted an amendment to the Village's offer to purchase the Tweedy Street Property. Village Attorney Ian Prust was present to go through the proposed amendments. A copy of the amendment is also attached to these minutes.

The Fire Company wishes to retain a permanent easement for access to the premises from the Tweedy Street entrance through the parking lot for the purpose of:

1. Rural Fire fill site
2. Fire department training
3. Maintenance of all fire training structures
4. Fire Fighting Operations

Attorney Prust felt that instead of this easement being a part of the offer to purchase, it should be in a separate document as an easement and maintenance agreement which would be recorded along with the closing documents at the

county and would still be a permanent record. The Fire Company stated they would still continue to cost share in the maintenance of the parking lot at 1/3 as they currently do. The other 2/3 cost of the maintenance is split between the Village and the Township. Harold made a motion, seconded by Mary to approve the requested easement and maintenance agreement to be filed at the County along with the closing documents. The motion carried with Mike opposed.

The Fire Company is asking to have the right to repurchase the premises and contents for the sum of \$5.00 in the event the premises are sold by the Village within the next 10 years from the date of sale. There was much discussion on this. The board felt the Village would never have a desire to sell the property since it is a beneficial park and the parking lot is also needed for ball field and park events. The fire company does not want to see it sold to anyone else and stated if they got the property back they would not run the hall but instead use it for training etc. The board stated that the people in the community want to see the hall stay open. After more discussion the board felt that because selling would never be in the best interest to the village, they could be comfortable in reaching an agreement on this matter. Harold made a motion, seconded by Mary that in the event the premises are sold by the Village within the next 5 years from the date of sale, the fire company would have the right to repurchase for the sum of \$1 plus all cost of improvements put into the hall. The motion carried with Mike opposed. This matter will be added to the agreement that will be filed at the County.

The fire company withdrew their request that The Village maintain the hall and contents essentially "as is" for a period of five years from the date of sale.

Bruce made a motion, seconded by Bob to accept the statement that the premises will be shown as tax parcel 0941-066 on documents. The motion carried unanimously.

Attorney Prust will make contact with the attorney for the Fire Company and discuss drafting the easement, maintenance and first refusal agreement from this amendment and this matter will go on the March 2nd agenda so the closing can hopefully take place the first week in March. The board felt they should get a survey of the area that will be involved in the fire department easement. Bruce

made a motion, seconded by Mike to pay for a survey of the property and not to spend more than \$300. The motion carried unanimously.

With no further business before the board, Bob made a motion, seconded by Bruce, to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously