

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 13, 2023**

The regular board meeting of the Village of Hustisford was called to order by Village Clerk Kim Hopfinger at 201 South Lake Street, Hustisford, Wisconsin at 7:00PM in accordance with the Notice of Meeting delivered to trustees on November 10, 2023

Trustees Present: Bob Knueppel, Ted Engelbart, Cynthia Stroessner, Ken Westphal, Andy Buchanan and Jay Huncosky

Trustees Absent: Laurie Buchanan

Others Present: Chief Greg Kaepernick, Todd Tessmann, Roger Zubke, Nathan Schoenike, Jason Laue, and Kim Hopfinger

Andy made a motion, seconded by Cynthia, to have Bob Knueppel serve as chairperson for the meeting in the Village Presidents absence. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Appearances:
No Public Appearances

Minutes:
Ted made a motion, seconded by Jay, to accept the October full board meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Bills:
Jay made a motion, seconded by Ted, to approve the October bills with checks #46078- #46122 for a total of \$57,675.18. The motion carried unanimously.

Utility:
Jason Laue from MSA gave an overview of the Plan Exhibit and Cost Estimate for future street extension in TID #1. The estimated cost of the next phase would be \$554,250. The Village will begin to market the property to try and get some interest in lots before moving ahead with the next phase of the street.

Todd gave a brief update on the Utility.

Police Committee:
Chief Kaepernick went over the monthly police report.

Andy made a motion, seconded by Cynthia, to approve the 2024 Humane Society Contract for \$1,500. The motion carried unanimously. This is for 5 animals and is the same cost as last year. There were some questions on a new addition to the contract stating that if village representatives could not be reached to approve an animal to be accepted at the Humane Society, that the executive director of the Humane Society could authorize the animal to be taken in. Kim will try to get some clarification on this.

Finance Committee:
The committee and Chief Kaepernick had a discussion on Ordinance 245-18 (B) 6 in Property Maintenance which involves no parking on the grass at their last meeting. Chief Kaepernick stated that the enforcement of Chapter 245 Articles III and IV is to be done by the building inspector, per the ordinance so the police department technically does not have the authority to enforce the ordinances in those two articles. Chief Kaepernick suggested that the language be added to the Vehicles and Traffic Ordinance Chapter 309-13 as (E). The police department

does have the authority to enforce the ordinances in this chapter. He suggested it be added to Chapter 309-13 as (E):

(E) Parking and/or storage of licensed motor vehicles on private residential properties shall be limited to garages, driveways, parking areas, and carports.

Jay made a motion, seconded by Ted, to add the language above to Chapter 309-13 as (E) and have it also remain in Chapter 245. The motion was carried with Ken opposed.

The board reviewed the proposed 2024 Sinissippi Recreation Budget. There is no change in the budget from last year as far as the Village contribution of \$9,387.40.

Andy made a motion, seconded by Cynthia, to approve the 2024 Sinissippi Recreation Budget. The motion carried unanimously. A copy of the budget is attached to these minutes.

Kim reminded the board that the December Regular Board Meeting has been moved to December 4th to accommodate having the Budget Public Hearing in a timely manner.

Public Works Committee:

Andy made a motion, seconded by Ted, to approve the quote from Husty Lawns for Cemetery mowing in 2024. The price is \$750 per mowing and \$1,000 for the weeks that they mow and trim, which is usually every other time. The motion carried unanimously.

Parks Committee:

The committee is proposing to use some of the extra unused funds in the cemetery contracted services account for the removal of dying trees which would be the Tree and Brush contracted services account. The Lion's club has offered to donate trees to replace them. There is a bill from Rocky's Trees service for \$3,075 and MI-DE for \$3,100 for the removal of these trees. Andy made a motion, seconded by Jay, to use \$6,175 from the cemetery contracted services account for this purpose. The motion carried unanimously.

Report from Village Representatives on Joint Boards:

Ken did not have a report on the Fire Department as the full board met with them in October to review the 2024 budget.

Cynthia Stroessner gave an update on the Library Board. There is an opening on the Library Board for a Village representative, as Loreli McKinley will be stepping down. Cynthia has a recommendation, and this will go on the December full board agenda. Fall Fest in conjunction with the recreation department had 146 people in attendance. The winter reading program will start in January.

Bob Knueppel gave a report on the Recreation Board. Visit with Santa in conjunction with the Lions Club will be December 2nd from 1-3pm. Tree lighting will be that same day from 4-4:30pm and is sponsored by the Historical Society. Men's basketball will begin in December. The adult bags league will start in January and registration has opened for that.

Andy made a motion, seconded by Jay, to go into Closed Session pursuant to SS 19.85 (1)(e) for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session with respect to future development possibilities. The board was polled and the motion carried.

With no other business before this board, Jay made a motion, seconded by Ted, to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.