

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 8, 2020**

The regular board meeting of the Village of Hustisford was called to order by Village President Mike Grant at 201 South Lake Street, Hustisford, Wisconsin at 7:00PM in accordance with the Notice of Meeting delivered to trustees on September 4, 2020

Trustees Present: Josh Prescher, Andy Buchannan, Bob Knueppel, Cynthia Stroessner and Ted Engelbart

Trustees Absent: Dave Vinz

Others Present: Chief Dan Link, Roger Zubke, Todd Tessmann, Mike Laue, Jason Laue and Kim Hopfinger

Public Appearances:

There were no public appearances

Minutes:

Ted made a motion, seconded by Cynthia, to accept the August full board meeting minutes with one correction. The motion carried unanimously.

Bills:

Josh made a motion, seconded by Bob, to approve the August bills with checks #44321- #44363 for a total of \$105,426.10. The motion carried unanimously.

Mike Laue from MSA to Share Information on Funding Opportunity Through Dodge County CDBG CLOSE Program:

Mike and Jason Laue came to inform the board about the following possible funding option: Dodge County CDBG CLOSE Program is a mandate from the Department of Administration (DOA) to dissolve Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) fund accounts originally awarded for Economic Development (ED) Revolving Loan programs. The DOA is offering a window of opportunity to turn the Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) accounts into grant eligible amounts which may be used for any CDBG-eligible project. Communities and counties previously awarded CDBG-ED (Economic Development) grants can turn this money into a non-competitive grant for their community or county.

Dodge County is currently attempting to identify eligible projects or uses for their program funds and have enlisted MSA's Funding Team to assist with this effort. One of the main issues surrounding the selection of a project or use is that the money must positively impact a majority of low to moderate income individuals.

Over the last few weeks, MSA has been working with County staff to identify possible uses. In the end, MSA's recommendation includes a preferred option using a portion of these funds for projects in local communities. The Village of Hustisford is highly ranked in this list and would need to identify a project in an area within the community that contains over 51% low to moderate income households in order to receive the money. The recommended funding amount of approximately \$500,000 would not require a local match and could be used for public utility and street reconstruction in the target area.

Art Bahr from MSA's Funding Team is scheduled to attend the September 14th County Executive Committee meeting to move this effort forward. It is hoped that a decision might be reached at this

meeting regarding the use of these funds. Mike Laue will keep Kim informed as to the outcome of this meeting.

Utility:

Todd Tessmann gave an update on the AMI Project. The Utility will be asking for approval for borrowing for this project at the October Board meeting.

Police Committee:

Chief Link went over the monthly police report.

Ted made a motion, seconded by Andy, to approve an operator's license for Abigail Bachman as recommended by the police committee. The motion carried unanimously.

The next police committee meeting was scheduled for September 28th at 8am.

Finance Committee:

The next finance committee meeting was scheduled for Monday September 21st at 8:00am.

Parks Committee:

Bob Kneuppel stated the Parks committee is recommending the purchase of a Zero-Turn Lawn Mower. There is \$20,000 in the three tractor accounts that can be used for this purchase that will not affect the replacement of those. The Village just purchased the big John Deere last year and will be replacing the small John Deere next year. The purchase of the zero-turn mower will add many more years to the replacement of these tractors due to less usage because of this new lawnmower. Bob stated there would be no need to increase the future budget because those amounts can now be split between all three of these pieces of equipment. Upon recommendation from the Parks Committee, Bob made a motion, seconded by Cindy, to purchase the Ferris Zero-Turn Mower from Ballweg Implement for \$11,000.00, with the funds to be taken from the 3 tractor accounts. The motion carried unanimously.

A parks meeting was set for October 19th at 7PM.

A Public Works meeting was set for October 12th at 7PM.

Report from Village Representatives on Joint Boards:

Josh Prescher stated that the Fire Board was working on the budget and anticipated no changes from last years budget.

Cynthia Stroessner gave an update on the Library Board. The library is open but is still offering curb side pick-up.

Bob Kneuppel gave a report on the Recreation Board. Jeremy Neu will be replacing Dana Donegon on the recreation board as Dana is going through health problems. The Rec. Board will be making a decision at their next board meeting as far as if they will be holding their annual joint Halloween Party with the Library due to Covid-19.

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