

## REGULAR MEETING BOARD MINUTES Wednesday – March 11, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m. 7505 Main Street West, Webster, WI

- I. CALL TO ORDER In Village President, Jeff Roberts absence, Trustee, Maloney called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- II. ROLL CALL Trustees: Kelsey Gustafson; Tim Maloney; Darrell Sears; Charlie Weis and Greg Widiker. Others present: Public Works Director, Jay Heyer; Webster Police Chief, Stephenie Wedin; Clerk/Treasurer, Debra Doriott-Kuhnly; Jonathon Richie – Burnett County Sentinel; Becky Strabel – Inter County Leader Newspaper; Traci Hopkins; Tracie Roy; Will Janssen; Jeff Jowers; and John Jacobs. Absent: Village President, Jeff Roberts and Trustee, Sarah Casady.

## III. PUBLIC NOTICE OF AGENDA, DELETIONS/CORRECTIONS – None.

IV. VISITOR RECOGNITION –Trustee, Maloney gave the floor to John Jacobs and Jeff Jowers. They are working on opening a Youth Activity Center at 7390 Poplar Street East. Will Janssen asked if the Village has plans to blacktop the road. Trustee, Gustafson said we can discuss it. Maloney said if there were more traffic to justify the cost. He asked Will if they plan on paving parking spots and informed them that there are requirements for the number of parking spaces needed. Trustee, Weis asked that they talk to adjoining residents about paving road. John Jacobs and Will Janssens are business partners. Jeff Jowers is the Y.A.C. program director. Jeff then read their mission statement. Hours will be 3:30 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. Tuesday – Thursday, during the school year, for grades 5-12. The Center will be staffed by adult volunteers. The school district has agreed to bus students there. Some County and Mentoring Programs have interest in using the Center as well. They will have a Grand Opening /Open House, but date has not been determined yet. Trustee Widiker asked if the Village can get bids for paving. Trustee, Weis suggested getting the bid for the road and parking lot to reduce the costs for the Village and the Center. Trustee, Gustafson agreed. Public Works Director, Heyer said it needs gravel before paving.

Trustee, Maloney then gave the floor to Traci Hopkins from the Central Burnett County Fair Board. Traci handed out a financial report for 2019. The ending balance for 2019 is extremely higher than the past several years. It rained during most of the Fair last year. The exhibits have also been up, but the animals have been alittle down. The Fair dates for 2020 are September 25 -September 27. Pending projects include additional parking for the Demolition Derby and the Truck/Trailer Pull. Traci would like to set up a meeting and would like more organizations to pitch in. Trustee, Maloney would like part of the Village's annual financial donation be used to help with the projects. Traci said they do have a good group that will donate time and equipment. Maloney said he would attend the meeting and suggested having it soon.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion was made by Trustee, Widiker to approve the February 12, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes; seconded by Trustee, Sears. **Motion carried 5-0.** Motion made by Trustee, Weis to approve the March 2, 2020 Special Full Board Meeting Minutes; seconded by Trustee, Gustafson. **Motion carried 5-0.**

## VI. APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS & RECEIPTS: February 8, 2020 – March 9, 2020 vouchers in the amount of \$228,428.94 as follows:

- a. General Fund \$116,402.80
- b. Water Fund \$8,339.23
- **c.** Sewer Fund \$8,497.00
- d. Library Fund \$30,189.91
- e. Capital Replacement Fund \$15,000.00 (Final Payment for Bobcat)

Trustee, Weis asked about the Medtox Lab voucher. This is for employee random drug testing. Approval of receipts were also presented for: **February 8, 2020 – March 9, 2020** in the amount of **\$59,769.77**. Motion was made by Trustee, Maloney; seconded by Trustee, Gustafson to approve vouchers in the amount of **\$228,428.94** and receipts in the amount of **\$59,769.77**. **Motion carried 5-0**.

- VII. COMMUNICATIONS: The Burnett County Administration Newsletter was included in members' packets.
- VIII. PERSONNEL Chair, Sarah Casady: Nothing new to report.
  - IX. PUBLIC UTILITY Chairman, Darrel Sears: Chairman, Sears informed the Board that Cooper Engineering drilled holes in the Sewer Ponds to conduct sample testing in preparation for sludge removal. There is not as much sludge as originally reported! The Village now has 5-10 years before the sludge will need to be removed. However, the water tower needs to be painted soon. If not done this year, the new guidelines require the tower to be sandblasted and the cost would be approximately three times more. A couple years ago, Heyer received an estimate of \$80,000 and predicts the cost will be around \$100,000 now. He will get an updated estimate. Trustee, Weis confirmed the time frame would be this Spring/Summer. Trustee, Maloney stated the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands just reduced their interest rates. Trustee, Widiker asked Heyer for specifics on the amount of sludge on ponds vs. what was expected. Heyer explained it was 2-3 feet and now less than a foot appears that it settled.
  - X. FINANCE Chairman, Greg Widiker: Nothing new to report.
  - **XI. PUBLIC PROPERTY Chairman, Tim Maloney:** Nothing new to report. Maloney passed on the following information from the Library Board. The Library mortgage balance is down to \$95,000. They have also obtained a donor for a matching \$10,000 donation.
- XII. STREETS Chairman, Kelsey Gustafson: Nothing new to report.
- XIII. JUDICIAL Chairman, Charlie Weis: The Police Department schedules through May were handed out. Chief, Wedin then read the monthly calls to service – total of 88 incidents for the month. Becky Strabel, from The Leader, asked how often the School Liaison Officer is at the school. Chief, Wedin reported 3 times a week. Trustee, Maloney confirmed that the Officer will be at the school through the end of the school year. Chief, Wedin also stated that the School District is happy and interested in renewing the Liaison Role. Trustee, Weis said he would like this done in June or July and he would be interested in attending the meeting.
- XIV. DEVELOPMENT & ANNEXATION Village President, Jeff Roberts: Nothing new to report.

XV. WEBSTER RURAL FIRE ASSOCIATION MEETING UPDATE – Trustee, Tim Maloney: Chief, Steiner used the insurance money (from the truck that caught on fire) and purchased a new truck. The next scheduled meeting in April 16<sup>th</sup> at 7 P.M. Trustee, Weis said the Chief, Steiner did an outstanding job working with the insurance companies, researching numerous trucks and keeping the officers involved throughout the process.

## XVI. FUTURE MEETINGS:

- March 19, 2020 \*Personnel Committee Meeting @ 6:00 P.M.
- March 24, 2020 \*Judicial Committee Meeting @ 6:00 P.M.
- April 8, 2020 \*Regular Board Meeting @ 6:00 P.M.
- **XVII. ADJOURNMENT.** Motion was made by Trustee, Weis; seconded by Trustee, Widiker to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 p.m. **Motion carried 5-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Doriott-Kuhnly

Debra Doriott-Kuhnly, Clerk-Treasurer March 11, 2020 \*\*\*These minutes are subject to approval at next month's Regular Meeting. Village President, Jeff Roberts

Trustee, Sarah Casady

Trustee, Kelsey Gustafson

Trustee, Tim Maloney

Trustee, Darrell Sears

Trustee, Charlie Weis

Trustee, Greg Widiker

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk-Treasurer