

VILLAGE OF COCHRANE
VILLAGE BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2019
VILLAGE HALL, 102 E 5TH ST, 7 P.M.

Notice of meeting was posted at the Post Office, Village Hall and the Bank on December 9, 2019, 12 PM.

Members Present: Village President Dave Busch, Trustees: Stan Meier, Greg Hofer, Chuck Speltz, and Kari Wilde. Absent: Dallas Dworschack, Tim Bossert.

Meeting was called to order by Village President Dave Busch at 7 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Comments: Edna Meier wondered what the board could do about a vehicle parking on 5th St as the maintenance crew was clearing snow from Main St to Burlington for a second time just to clean it up better for more clear parking and the space where the vehicle was parked could not be more cleanly cleared. This was mid –afternoon and maintenance had already plowed the entire street earlier in the day. Since it is a public street and plowing had already been done there is nothing the board can do as no ordinance had been violated. Maintenance stated they would clear that space tomorrow, which has been done.

Brea Grace and David Schofield from SEH presented an update on the TID (Tax Increment District) #1 creation stating the LaCrosse Milling property south of 5th St had now been removed from the TID #1, which lowered the value to approximately 10.5% within the allowable percentage of total value in TID, to be approved by the DOR (Department of Revenue). Many thanks to Teresa Waters at LaCrosse Milling for putting together the data for the parcel split! The DOR will finalize the certification of TID#1 in January or February 2020. In the future, the Joint Review Board will need to meet at least once annually as required by the DOR. Motion Greg, second Kari to approve the December 9, 2019 revised TID #1 Project Plan and boundary to meet the DOR value limits. All yes, Approved.

The Election Inspectors: LaVerne Franzwa – Chief Inspector, Shirley Fetting and Nancy Van Vickle – both Election Inspectors will be serving a 2-year term starting 1/1/2020. Motion Greg, second Chuck to approve these Election Inspectors. All yes, Approved.

The January Caucus 2020 will be held at Village Hall on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at 6:45 PM. We will be nominating and accepting names for 3 Village Trustees. Trustees up for election are: Kari Wilde, Dallas Dworschack and Chuck Speltz.

The Town of Milton is interested in joining the BBC; this would provide added support and help in sharing the costs. Motion Chuck, second Kari to approve the Town of Milton to join the BBC pending approval of the new by-laws currently being written. All yes, Approved.

The Village Clerk, Marcia Drysdale provided the board with the current status of the computer and software systems. One system is currently unsupported and the other will be after 2019. The clerk will get estimates on computer/software systems and present to the board at the next meeting.

The Village Clerk provided an Election Emergency/Contingency Plan template acquired from the City of Madison and will update it and present it to the board at the next meeting. The purpose of this plan is to be prepared for various emergencies that can arise during elections.

Water/Sewer Committee Update: Village Maintenance Supervisor, Tom Platteter reported that the lagoons are drained and the manhole at the lagoons has been cleaned out. Flow-Rite has completed the sewer jetting for the year.

Streets/Sidewalk Committee Update: Tom reported that the berm at the bridge on County O has been built for flood control purposes. Stan reported that he learned at the training he attended that stop signs are required to be a minimum of 36" wide, and that all signage should have break-away posts and all railroad (RR) crossings should have the appropriate paint signage on the approach of a RR crossing.

Health, Fire, Parks, Ordinances, Floods Committee Update: Greg reported that the water foundations (bubblers) should be removed and cleaned thoroughly in the spring.

Motion Chuck, second Kari to approve the bills. All yes. Approved.

Motion Greg, second Kari to approve the November minutes. All yes, Approved.

In accordance with Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1)(c) the meeting moved into closed session at 7:56 PM for employee reviews and motion Chuck, second Stan to reconvened back into open session at 8:11 PM, All yes.

Motion Greg, second Stan to adjourn the meeting. All yes. Meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM.