

Village of Fall Creek
Minutes of Regular Village Board Meeting
January 11, 2021

1. **Call to Order:** 6:30 p.m., virtual meeting at Zoom.us & physical meeting at Village Hall Meeting Room, 122 E. Lincoln Ave., Fall Creek
2. **Pledge to Flag**
3. **Roll Call:** Members Present: Village President Tim Raap, Trustees Ben Burch, Kelli Corbin, Bob Jenkins, Sheena Kaatz, Matt Mattoon, Karen Strasburg. Members Absent: None. Staff Present: Village Administrator/Public Works Director Jared McKee, Police Chief Chad Dachel, Clerk-Treasurer Renee Roemhild. Also Present: 12 citizens. Those noted in attendance include those attending via the virtual meeting.
4. **Certify Open Meeting Law Requirements Have Been Met:** A notice of the meeting and an agenda (including instructions if wishing to attend the virtual meeting) was posted at the three public places and local newspapers were notified.
5. **Adopt Agenda:**
 - MOTION (Corbin/Strasburg) to adopt the agenda. PASSED, without negative vote.
6. **Act on Minutes:**
 - MOTION (Mattoon/Burch) to approve the 12/2/20 Public Safety Committee, 12/14/20 Finance & Personnel Committee, and 12/14/20 Regular Village Board meeting minutes. PASSED, without negative vote.
7. **Citizen Input:** Several citizens spoke regarding such items as the Village website, water/sewer/garbage rates, and biweekly recycling pickup.
8. **Correspondence:** Notification from Greg Leonard of E.C. County Planning & Development that Fall Creek Inland Lake's Rehabilitation Project was included in the Eau Claire County Budget and is approved for up to \$10,000 of matching funds!
9. **Administrator Report:** Administrator/Public Works Director Jared McKee gave his monthly report.
10. **Budget Comparison Report/Financial Considerations:**
 - MOTION (Mattoon/Raap) to approve the 12/31/20 Before Audit Budget Comparison Report. PASSED, roll call vote: Corbin-yes, Jenkins-yes, Kaatz-yes, Mattoon-yes, Raap-yes, Strasburg-yes, Burch-yes.
11. **Consider Bills:**
 - MOTION (Strasburg/Corbin) to accept the Check Register Report for payment of bills #25741-25793, CC2129-2140, RDW1041-1042, RDS1041-1042, V20412-20423, V21001-21011. PASSED, roll call vote: Jenkins-yes, Kaatz-yes, Mattoon-yes, Raap-yes, Strasburg-yes, Burch-yes, Corbin-yes.
12. **Scheduled Speakers/Issues of Interest**
 - A. **Wally Walter, Request for Approval to Deal with Beaver Problem In Creek:** Wally Walter addressed the Board with concern over the trees being hauled into the creek by the beavers.
 - MOTION (Raap/Mattoon) adopting RESOLUTION #2021-0111A allowing the hunting or trapping of beavers on the creek, including snaring and the use of side arms, contingent upon approval of the Police Chief, for a period beginning 1/12/21 to 6/30/21. PASSED, roll call vote: Kaatz-yes, Mattoon-yes, Raap-yes, Strasburg-yes, Burch-yes, Corbin-yes, Jenkins-yes.
13. **Police Department**
 - A. **Monthly Report:** Police Chief Chad Dachel presented the monthly report of cases/calls for service.

B. Consider Memorandum of Understanding with Town of Ludington re: Police Services:

- MOTION (Mattoon/Raap) approving the Memorandum of Understanding with the Town of Ludington regarding police services for the 2021 calendar year. PASSED, roll call vote: Mattoon-yes, Raap-yes, Strasburg-yes, Burch-yes, Corbin-yes, Jenkins-yes, Kaatz-yes.

14. Public Works Department: Report included in Administrator's Report.

15. Committee Related

A. Community & Economic Development: No report.

B. Finance & Personnel

a. Set Date for Open Book & Board of Review:

- MOTION (Raap/Mattoon) to set the date for Open Book as April 15th from 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. and Board of Review as June 2 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. PASSED, without negative vote.

C. Parks & Recreation: No report.

D. Public Property & Health: No report.

E. Public Safety: No report.

F. Public Works & Streets/Sidewalks

a. Consider Ordinance Amendment to Parking Regulations at Village Hall, Possible 1st Reading:

- MOTION (Raap/Mattoon) to hold the first reading of amendments to §249-4. C. Vehicles and Traffic/Regulation of Streets/Parking Regulations. Amendment basically establishes parking regulations for the parking lot south of Village Hall, the south side of U.S. Hwy 12 in front of 122 E Lincoln Ave, and the east half of the parking lot to the west of Village Hall. PASSED, without negative vote.

b. Consider Ordinance Amendment to §52-8 Ordinance and Resolutions, Possible 1st Reading:

- MOTION (Burch/Raap) to hold the first reading of an amendment to §52-8.A. Meetings/Ordinances and Resolutions. Amendment basically 1) allows for an ordinance amendment to be brought directly to the Board rather than requiring it be considered at committee level first, and 2) includes the Administrator/Public Works Director as one of the people who can submit an ordinance amendment for the Board's consideration. PASSED, without negative vote.

16. General Business

A. Consider Building Inspector Position: Administrator McKee gave an update on efforts to fill the position. No action was needed. Per the personnel policy, the President and Administrator have the authority needed to hire at their discretion.

B. Move to Convene in Closed Session Per Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(e) Deliberating or Negotiating the Purchasing of Public Properties, the Investing of Public Funds, or Conducting Other Specified Public Business, Whenever Competitive or Bargaining Reasons Require a Closed Session, Namely, Consider Agreement re: Economic Development. At the End of the Closed Session, the Board Will be Going into Open Session to Conduct Further Business.

- MOTION (Raap/Mattoon) to move into closed session @ 7:49 and to inviting into the closed session: Matt Bartow, Jared McKee and Renee Roemhild. PASSED, roll call vote: Raap-yes, Strasburg-yes, Burch-yes, Corbin-yes, Jenkins-yes, Kaatz-yes, Mattoon-yes.

C. Move to Return to Open Session and Action, if Any, on Matters Discussed in Closed Session.

- MOTION (Raap/Corbin) to move into open session @ 9:15 p.m. PASSED, roll call vote: Strasburg-yes, Burch-yes, Corbin-yes, Jenkins-yes, Kaatz-yes, Mattoon-yes, Raap-yes.
- MOTION (Mattoon/Corbin) giving President Raap and Administrator McKee the authority to work to finalize the Memorandum of Understanding with Matt Bartow. PASSED, roll call vote: Burch-yes, Corbin-yes, Jenkins-yes, Kaatz-yes, Mattoon-yes, Raap-yes, Strasburg-yes.

D. Move to Convene in Closed Session Per Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(c) Considering Employment, Promotion, Compensation or Performance Evaluation Data of Any Public Employee Over Which the Governmental Body has Jurisdiction or Exercises Responsibility, namely, Administrator/PWD Evaluation. At the End of the Closed Session, the Board Will Be Going into Open Session to Conduct Further Business. Roll Call Vote on Motion to Convene into Closed Session.

- MOTION (Mattoon/Raap) @ 9:19 and to inviting Jared McKee into the beginning of the closed session. PASSED, roll call vote: Corbin-yes, Jenkins-yes, Kaatz-yes, Mattoon-yes, Raap-yes, Strasburg-yes, Burch-yes.

E. Move to Return to Open Session and Action, if Any, on Matters Discussed in Closed Session.

- MOTION (Raap/Corbin) to move into open session @ 9:39 p.m. PASSED, roll call vote: Jenkins-yes, Kaatz-yes, Mattoon-yes, Raap-yes, Strasburg-yes, Burch-yes, Corbin-yes.

17. Adjourn:

- MOTION (Mattoon/Corbin) @ 9:40 p.m. PASSED, without negative vote.

Renee Roemhild, Clerk-Treasurer