

**VILLAGE OF STRATFORD**  
**Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees**  
Tuesday, May 11, 2010  
Municipal Building

President Suckow called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Open meetings requirements were met.

ROLL CALL: Trustees present: Tom Bornbach, Jeff Dennee, Dale Heil, Tom Kolb, Wesley Manecke, Debbie Schoenfuss, and Bud Suckow. Staff present: DPW Jerry Frodl, Clerk June Krueger, and Police Chief Corey Schillinger. Also present: John Richmond of MSA Professional Services, Deb Chrouser, Francis Kramer, Bernie and Pat Kramer, Bob Wiesman, and Brian Radke. Attorney Richard Weber arrived at 7:45 p.m.

Motion by Kolb / Dennee to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on 04/13/10. Carried.

Motion by Dennee / Bornbach to approve the minutes of the reorganization meeting on 04/20/2010. Carried.

Discussion of the minutes of the joint meeting with Town of Cleveland on 05/06/2010. Krueger is waiting for information from Attorney Scott Swid and will finalize the minutes for approval at the June 8th Village Board meeting.

WATER & ELECTRIC COMMISSION: DPW Frodl reported the WPS annual true-up is an additional \$34,440.63 plus interest.

Motion by Manecke / Bornbach to approve the Water & Electric Commission report as presented. Carried.

STRATFORD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Suckow reported on the meeting of the Stratford Economic Development Foundation.

Motion by Kolb / Manecke to approve Suckow's report as presented. Carried.

Motion by Heil / Kolb to approve the sale of Lot #1 on Marathon County Certified Survey Map #15754, 0.96 acres, to Wells Fargo Bank & Greg Weber at \$1,000 per acre plus survey costs, for the purpose of constructing a medical supply wholesale store pending review of an outdoor lighting plan. Motion carried.

Boundary fence request for 405 West Fir Street – Deb Chrouser reviewed the request for a privacy fence to border the west property line, citing issues of garbage, lighting, and lack of privacy from the Business / Industrial Park. Discussion.

Motion by Manecke / Kolb to deny Chrouser's request for a privacy fence. Carried.

FIRE COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: Commissioner Heil had nothing to report.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE: John Richmond of MSA Professional Services discussed the trail re-alignments required near the school forest and on the Allen property. He suggests transplanting eight trees by the new cross-country chute near the school forest, maybe as an in-kind donation to the trail project. Richmond reported on a culvert extension in the project, and

the damaged culvert on the school's property. Richmond reported Janke has completed the clearing and grubbing for the trail, and is currently prepping the wetland areas for boardwalk installation. The lawns damaged by the contractor at the fire station and Well #9 will be restored as per the construction contract.

Motion by Heil / Manecke to approve the trail realignments as presented. Carried.

Discussion of the culvert replacement or extension. The culvert decision will be reviewed by the Public Works committee at the May 25 meeting.

County Board Member Bob Wiesman presented a copy of Marathon County Resolution R-25-10 awarding \$50,000 to the Village of Stratford for Heritage Trail from the county's ATC funds. Motion by Schoenfuss / Dennee to accept the grant of \$50,000 from the Marathon County American Transmission Company fund with thanks to Bob Wiesman for his assistance in the grant process. Carried.

Motion by Heil / Bornbach to authorize DPW Frodl to proceed with the slip-lining project with Visu-Sewer not to exceed \$17,550 as recommended by the Public Works Committee. Carried.

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:** Brian Radke requested the Village allow the Towns of Eau Pleine and Frankfort to share the Village's radio frequency. The Towns would be set up on a separate "trunk" of the village frequency with only a remote chance of interference. Discussion. Motion by Heil / Dennee to approve the request for Towns of Eau Pleine and Frankfort to share the Village radio frequency with the conditions that there will be no miss-use or interference, and the option for the Village to rescind this privilege at any time. Carried. Police Chief Schillinger will notify the town representatives to explain FCC rules and village guidelines.

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE -- continued:** Motion by Heil / Kolb to authorize DPW Frodl to proceed with crack filling services not to exceed \$7,500 as recommended by the Public Works Committee. Carried.

Motion by Heil / Kolb to authorize DPW Frodl to proceed with proposals for chip sealing and granite overlay project for 2010 as recommended by the Public Works Committee. Carried.

Frodl reviewed the quotes received for two water supply stands with backflow preventers for the Heritage Days concession vendors as required by the County Health Department. Discussion. Motion by Heil / Schoenfuss to approve the purchase of two water supply stands from Bauer Welding at a cost of \$580 each with completion required by Heritage Days. Carried.

Discussion of Citizen's Survey. Motion by Schoenfuss / Kolb to approve the plan for an initial survey to be mailed this year for budgeting purposes, with a more specific survey for follow-up if necessary. Carried. Krueger will provide a sample survey at the June 8<sup>th</sup> village board meeting.

Motion by Heil / Dennee to approve the request to forgive sewer charges received from Rick DuBois for a water leak at Lot #23 at Mediterranean mobile home court in the amount of \$410.70 as presented. Carried.

DPW Frodl reported the grader tires were sold by Nitke Auction Service with the village receiving \$2,480.25.

Motion by Dennee / Manecke to approve the Director of Public Works report as presented. Carried.

Motion by Schoenfuss / Bornbach to approve the Building Permits Report as presented. Carried.

Motion by Bornbach / Kolb to approve the minutes of the Public Works Committee meeting on 04/27/2010. Carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE -- continued: The Beer Garden request for Mary's Time Out was reviewed by the Public Safety Committee and will be recommended for approval at the June 8<sup>th</sup> board meeting following notification to the adjoining property owners as required by the beer garden ordinance.

Motion by Heil / Schoenfuss to approve the Public Safety report as presented. Carried.

Motion by Dennee / Kolb to accept Chief Schillinger's report as written. Carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Clerk Krueger reported on employee service anniversaries as follows: Dave Pospyhalla – 11 years on May 10<sup>th</sup>, Matt Ladwig – 5 years on May 13<sup>th</sup>, and Eric Colby – 2 years on May 17<sup>th</sup>. Krueger reported the attorney's comments were forwarded to General Code for the ordinance revisions.

Motion by Schoenfuss / Dennee to approve the clerk's report as presented. Carried.

Motion by Kolb / Manecke to approve a Temporary Class B Retailer's License for Fox Valley Fast Pitch for June 11-13, 2010, and Temporary Operator Licenses for Michael G. Spindler and Greg J. Spindler. Carried.

Motion by Dennee / Kolb to approve Operator Licenses for Christina A. Rohde and Shari L. Ponschok as approved by Chief Schillinger. Carried.

Motion by Manecke / Bornbach to approve the monthly financial report as presented. Carried.

Motion by Dennee / Heil to approve payment of the Village vouchers totaling \$135,019.98 and transfers to the General Fund of \$50,000.00 from the Tax Account and \$28,187.50 from MM15452 for the General Obligation Bond interest payment. Carried.

Motion by Manecke / Bornbach to approve payment of the Heritage Trail voucher totaling \$5,319.75 as presented. Carried.

Motion by Schoenfuss / Kolb to approve payment of the Water & Electric utility expenses totaling \$173,481.03. Carried.

Motion by Dennee / Manecke to adjourn to Closed Session per Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(g) for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel for oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted with respect to litigation in which the Village is likely to become involved.

Roll call vote: Bornbach – yes; Dennee – yes; Heil – yes; Kolb – yes; Manecke – yes; Schoenfuss – yes; Suckow – yes. Carried. ( 8:06 p.m. )

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CLOSED SESSION  
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Motion by Heil / Manecke to reconvene into Open Session. Roll call vote: Suckow – yes; Schoenfuss – yes; Manecke – yes; Kolb – yes; Heil – yes; Dennee – yes; Bornbach – yes. Motion carried. ( 8:44 p.m. )

Action necessary from Closed Session: Motion by Heil / Suckow to authorize Attorney Richard Weber to proceed with a notification letter to General Shoe, with a copy to the Wisconsin DNR, outlining the Village's damages and penalties for the sewer charges not billed and for zinc discharged and processed at the waste water treatment plant. Roll call vote. Bornbach – yes; Dennee – yes; Heil – yes; Kolb – yes; Manecke – yes; Schoenfuss – yes; Suckow – yes. Carried.

Motion by Heil / Kolb to adjourn. Carried. ( 8:50 p.m. )

Submitted by:

June Krueger, Clerk