

VILLAGE OF FOOTVILLE

MEETING MINUTES

March 6, 2014

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Footville was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the President, Gary Selck. Board members present were: Randy Baertschi, Nate Beal, Chuck Hagmann, John Harnack, and Ron Klusmeyer. Absent: Bill Case. Also present: Clerk Julie Gerke, Treasurer Wanda Curry, Public Works Director Jeramie Mielke, Deputy Barr, Realtor Cindy Simonson, and residents Dennis Curry, Glen Demrow, and Leah Creed.

MINUTES Motion by Hagmann, second by Harnack to approve the minutes of the February Board meeting. All in favor; motion carried.

VOUCHERS Motion by Klusmeyer, second by Baertschi, to approve the vouchers. All in favor; motion carried.

REPORTS Motion by Baertschi, second by Beal, to approve the Treasurer's, Water, and Sheriff's Reports as presented. All in favor; motion carried.

LICENSE APPLICATION Motion by Beal, second by Harnack, to approve an Operator's License for Connie Ware to work at the Footville Mini Mart. All in favor; motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS Deputy Barr answered questions about recent law enforcement activities, including the ticketing of vehicles that were illegally parked in the streets after snowfalls. With the warmer weather coming, he advised that residents keep their cars locked to help prevent theft.

RUMMAGE SALES Glen Demrow asked if it is possible to change the Rummage Sales to a later date. The Board said that it can't be changed for this year, but could be considered for next year.

A motion was made by Klusmeyer and seconded by Harnack to supply four porta-pots and have them placed in the same places as last year. All in favor; motion carried.

Leah Creed agreed to be the Coordinator for the Footville Rummage Sales. She would like everyone who is having a sale to contact her by the end of March so she can set up advertising and promotion for the event: (608) 531-1808 or (414) 232-7146. She is planning to run print advertising, and will set up a Footville Rummage Sales facebook page. More information will be in the next Village newsletter and posted on the website.

REAL ESTATE LISTING Cindy Simonson with First Weber Real Estate presented the methods she would use to promote the Business Park and residential lots, and some of her ideas for community development. Motion by Harnack, second by Baertschi, to approve both of the 1-year listing contracts, on condition of approval by the Village Attorney. All in favor; motion carried.

SPECIAL CHARGE ON TAX BILL The Board was presented with a letter from an attorney's office, sent on behalf of a business property owner. It requested that the Board waive the refuse and recycling charge on the tax bill because the owner has never needed to use the service, even when the building was occupied.

The charge is applied to the tax bill of all properties with improvements on them, even other vacant ones. The Village is charged annually per unit by the service provider, and cannot change mid-year when a unit becomes an active user. Motion by Hagmann, second by Harnack, to deny the request. Roll call vote: Ayes; Harnack, Hagmann, Klusmeyer, Baertschi, Beal, Selck. Nays; none. Motion carried.

OTHER MATTERS Viking Maintenance was not able to purchase the business property that he had spoken with the Board about last month, so the business will not be moving here. Nate Beal will need a couple volunteers to help with planning for the 2015 MDA Tub Run. Jeramie Mielke reported that we got our last available load of road salt from the County. Since the State might be changing its wind tower regulations, Chuck Hagmann would like to revisit our ordinance and reconsider placing a wind generator in the Village.

CLOSED SESSION Motion by Hagmann, second by Harnack to convene in closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(1)(c) to discuss employee review and wages. Motion carried by roll call vote. Ayes: Harnack, Hagmann, Klusmeyer, Baertschi, Beal, and Selck.

At approximately 9:10 p.m. a motion was made by Klusmeyer and seconded by Hagmann to reconvene into open session. All in favor; motion carried.

MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION Motion by Klusmeyer, second by Harnack, to increase the Clerk's salary and modify the vacation schedule. All in favor; motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT A motion was made by Beal to adjourn the meeting. Second by Hagmann. All in favor; motion carried.

Submitted by:

Julie Gerke
Village Clerk