



Village of Grantsburg

Village Board of Trustees Meeting

Monday, January 8, 2024

The Board of Trustees for the Village of Grantsburg met on Monday, January 8, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Board Room, 316 S. Brad Street, Grantsburg, Wisconsin.

Present: President Terrance Kucera, Trustee Greg Peer, Trustee Diane Barton, Trustee Leo Janke, Trustee Hank Java, Trustee John McNally.

Absent: Trustee Maurice DJ Henderson

Others: Police Chief Mitch Olson, Director of Public Works John Erickson, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Allison Longhenry, Library Director Lynett Yoerg, Greg Marsten-Burnett County Sentinel, Kayla Chastek-Inter-County Leader, Todd Engstrand, Brent Blomberg, Rick Lindberg

Call to Order President Kucera called the Village Board meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Clerk/Treasurer Meyer conducted roll call. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Public Comments No one appeared.

Correspondence Included in the Board packets for their review: Burnett County Administration newsletter and Christmas in the Park thank you.

Minutes President Kucera asked if there were any changes, corrections or additions to the minutes presented from the following 2023 meetings: December 11th Village Board. None were proposed. **Minutes were accepted as presented.**

STAFF REPORTS

Public Works DPW Erickson presented his report and informed the Trustees no bids were received for re-roofing the east park pavilion. The material has been purchased and the crew will be doing the work. SEH is still working at Well #2 sampling and testing for manganese removal. Burnett County has a trainer for the CDL program that new hire Al Hicks will be attending.

Police Chief Olson presented his report on calls for service with 85 calls in December. New Year's Eve was uneventful. A deputy has been hired to do ordinance enforcement using part-time hours and new employee Andrew Tyler has started Police Academy and will be completed in May.

Clerk/Treasurer C/T Meyer presented a list of licenses and permits issued since the last meeting, the cash report showing a checking account balance of \$77,374.80 after all vouchers are paid, and a Treasury account balance of \$772,963.50.

Library 1) Director Yoerg presented the monthly Library report showing December activities and upcoming January programs.

6:15 p.m. Public Hearing – Todd Engstrand/Crex Development Corp, owner, submitted an application for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) at 449 E State Rd 70 for a hardware store. President Kucera called the Public Hearing to order at 6:15 p.m. Clerk/Treasurer Meyer read the Notice of Hearing. President Kucera asked for anyone wishing to speak in favor of the application. Todd Engstrand explained he has purchased Darrell’s Hardware Hank business from Jeff & Tracey Finch and would like to move the business from downtown to his building at 449 E. State Rd 70. Engstrand said he is hoping for a March 1st opening. President Kucera asked for anyone wishing to speak against the application. No one spoke. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:17 p.m. President Kucera relayed the Plan Commission’s recommendation to approve the CUP. Several Trustees asked questions. **Motion by Trustee Barton, second by Trustee Janke to approve a Conditional Use Permit for Todd Engstrand/Crex Development Corp., owner of 449 E. State Rd 70 (parcel 07-131-2-38-19-23-1 01-000-017000) for a hardware store. Motion passed unanimously.**

STAFF REPORTS (continued)

Fire Association Trustee Barton reported on the December 18, 2023, Fire Association meeting. The roster is currently at 19 fire fighters. Fire Chief Barnette is compiling prices and applying for grants to help replace the 22-year-old self-contained breathing apparatuses.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration Committee 1) Memory Lake update. The Trustees were updated on the status of the Aquatic Plant Management grant applied for through the WI DNR. The grant was submitted, as instructed, by our district representative, but the WI DNR grant review committee wanted the application moved to a different program with a \$10,000 maximum award vs. a \$25,000 maximum award. 2) Water towers. DPW Erickson informed the Board that both the north and south water towers need repairs and updates. The required inspection has been done on the north tower with the south tower scheduled for inspection in 2024 as required by WI DNR. 3) Water main. DPW Erickson also informed the Trustees he will be requesting engineering estimates from SEH on replacing the water main on State Road 70 from Johnson Street to Russell Street. There have been numerous main breaks, and the hope is to replace the main when WI DOT is doing work on State Road 70 in 2028.

Bills Motion by Trustee Janke, second by Trustee Java to approve payment of the bills as presented:

Checks #35507-#35564	\$108,623.76
Payroll vouchers #V8672-V8704	\$32,320.69
ACH/EFTPS payments	\$70,706.47
Total	<u>\$211,650.92</u>

Motion passed unanimously.

Trustee reports, concerns, etc. Trustee Peer reported a \$3,000 grant was received for the pickleball court project.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Sheila Meyer
Clerk/Treasurer