

**VILLAGE OF DRESSER  
VILLAGE BOARD PROCEEDINGS**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Village Board meeting was held on Monday, April 6, 2020, in the Municipal Office, 102 West Main Street. Jodi Gilbert, Clerk/Treasurer called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM. Gilbert called for nominations to appoint a chairman for tonight's meeting since Bryan "Fatboy" Raddatz was not physically in attendance. Motion Raddatz/Moberg to appoint Richard Durand to chair the meeting. Bjorklund called for nominations to be closed. Gilbert called for a roll call vote. Raddatz – yes, Moberg – yes, Kuusisto – yes, Andrie – yes, Gutzmer – yes, Bjorklund – yes, Durand – yes. Motion Carried. Richard Durand to chair the meeting. Raddatz, Moberg, and Kuusisto are attending the meeting via telephone. Roll Call: Karen Andrie, Grace Bjorklund, Richard Durand, and Jeff Gutzmer were physically present - Bryan "Fatboy" Raddatz, Elina Kuusisto, and Wayne Moberg were present via telephone. There is a quorum. Attorney Tim Laux Absent. Also present Jodi A Gilbert-Clerk/Treasurer and The InterCounty Leader newspaper. Salute to the Flag was given.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion Gutzmer/Bjorklund to dispense with the reading of the minutes. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Andrie/Gutzmer to approve the minutes of the Village Board Meeting, March 2, 2020. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:** Durand called for Citizen Comments. Durand called for Citizen Comments. Nothing stated. Durand closed Citizen Comments.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Motion Bjorklund/Gutzmer to approve the 2019 Consumer Confidence Report for Dresser Waterworks. There were no violations in 2019. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Raddatz/Bjorklund to approve Spring Solid Waste Clean Up with Waste Management to be held April 27<sup>th</sup> to May 9<sup>th</sup>. The maximum amount a resident can dump is 1,000 lbs. Authorization from required through the Clerk's Office. Gilbert stated she talked to Waste Management and they were willing to still have clean up with COVID 19. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Andrie/Gutzmer to approve offering Free Brush Chipping to residents during the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of each month from April to October and free use of the Dresser Public Works Compost Transfer Site for leaves and grass clippings. Public Works did set the schedule. Same as what we have done in the past. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Raddatz/Moberg to approve the hiring of Turf Management, Brent Liggett, to apply two sprayings to Village parks/green areas: Estimate #2430 \$195.00 \*2 plus Estimate #2431 \$265.00 \*2 for a total of \$920.00. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Update from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation – State Highway 35 Improvements will not be taking place summer of 2020 – project will be re-let for bids this coming June, for either a fall 2020 construction or a spring 2021 construction. The board has agreed to have them still do the utilities. The bids came in high so the WIS DOT is rebidding the project.

Public Works Monthly Report: March 2020 was in the board packets. Due to COVID 19 and the WI State of Emergency Order Thompson and Koch are not attending the meeting.

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**FINANCE:** Motion Andrie/Bjorklund to approve the monthly Vouchers/Payroll #39132 - #39208 Payroll \$14,745.95 plus Vouchers \$56,814.70 for a Total of \$71,560.65. Roll Call Vote. All members of the board present physically and via phone voted yes. Motion Carried.

Motion Raddatz/Moberg to approve Operator's License – To Sell Fermented Malt Beverages and Intoxicating Liquors for Hunter Benish and Lisa Rohm. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Update by Grace Bjorklund on St Croix Valley Foundation – Dresser Endowment Fund. Bjorklund stated I put together the history on this and the current status. Next is Steps 1 to 6 on what we are going to have to do as a board. The fund is a component fund of the St Croix Valley Foundation, which administers the fund. This is an endowment fund. Hope to bring documents to the May board meeting. After all of that is done, we can apply for the grant, which this year is \$1,679.00. It can be used for a community project this year or roll it over. If we don't advise them that we want to use the money it rolls back into the principal. The board then can do some marketing on the endowment fund. The current balance is \$43,033.57. No questions were asked.

Resolution #01-2020 A Resolution of the Village of Dresser, Wisconsin, authorizing the borrowing of funds from the Trust Funds of the State of Wisconsin in the amount of \$650,000.00 for the purpose of financing water tower project and for no other purpose. Motion Gutzmer/Kuusisto to move Resolution #01-2020 into immediate consideration. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Andrie/Bjorklund to pass and approve Resolution #01-2020. Sean Lentz from Ehlers submitted a Sale Day Report for the board to review. 3.5% Interest Rate on a 20-year loan. Roll Call Vote. Raddatz – yes, Kuusisto – yes, Moberg – yes, Andrie – yes, Gutzmer – yes, Durand – yes, Bjorklund – yes. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

2019 Audit Results – Brock Geyen-CliftonLarsonAllen LLP – the Board conference called with Geyen. Geyen reviewed the Audit Report Notations that he had submitted in the packet. Auditor's Report – we are through the review process and will issue the final documents this week. There will be a bit of a delay due to reduced staff. There are separate and more robust disclosures in the report regarding long term debt and the presentation agency fund. You hold tax money for others and then pay it out. You will see some new schedules. Management Letter – This is standard and the letter states the same as in the past. General Fund – The 2<sup>nd</sup> to the last row you will see your change in fund balance of (\$107,012.00). You have had a good positive trend and a lot of this has to do with timing. You had the expense of buying the plow truck. This was an expenditure. Each year we look at percentage of unassigned fund balance to general fund expenditures and this year it is at 51.9% - it is low this year. Spending is up with the new plow truck so the number is low. If you took out the plow truck you would be at around 68%. You have a healthy General Fund. Special Revenue Funds – You have the CDBG Housing Rehab Fund and the Library Fund. The Library went up \$4,065.00. Debt Service Fund – it went to zero at the end of the year. We plan for that by budgeting for the principal and interest payments. In the past you had a balance with the DOG Fire Loan. That is now paid off. This was a planned reduction. It should be zero every year. Capital Project Fund – At the end of the year you had \$164,487.00 in the Horsman/Peterson Fund. Water Utility – this is now full accrual basis. In the last row Change in Net Position in 2018 you were at a negative \$18,044.00 and in 2019 you are at a negative \$9,639.00 - net loss for the year. You had improvements done in operations and a drop in consumption. Expenses were also down. There is an improvement over 2018 but a deficit for the year of \$9,639.00. When you look at cash and investments the \$150,000.00 brought it to a positive. It is again a timing of cash flow. You still have that

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\$150,000.00 in the LGIP. We will be discussing that more in the future. Wastewater/Sewer Fund – The change in Net Position is (\$204,990.00) which is in a large part from the debt owed to the Village of Osceola. You take that charge now even though you plan to pay for it over the years. It is included in Long Term Debt. We are treating that plan as Long-Term Debt. The full charge was expensed this year. You have had zero cash for several years. You do have restricted assets. You do have some money set aside for plant replacement. You have capital – could use \$72,873.00 for those purposes. Long Term Obligations – you are paying down principal. You have the payables to the Village of Osceola. When you look at the very last row this tells you how much debt you can hold – it went down to 45.1%. The Village is looking at a full water rate increase. Working to get that application into the PSC. On the Sewer Rates we just did step 1 of a 3-step process. You are addressing rates to cover costs. The General Fund is looking good and you are working to correct things.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** The Building Inspector Report for March 2020 was presented to the board. There is a new business on Main Street next to the Post Office – vehicle maintenance.

The Police Department March 2020 Report was presented to the Board. Ryan Haass was not in attendance due to COVID 19 and the WI State of Emergency Order. Durand mentioned an abandoned car on Horsmann. Raddatz told Durand to talk to Haass about it.

**LIBRARY:** Presentation of the Library Board Minutes from the March 9 and the Special March 18, 2020 meetings. Kuusisto stated book club is a program that has been very successful. It was well attended in February. Leann stopped advertising story time and just accommodates someone if they come in. The new hire Linda Ferris is doing well. The new library furnace is installed. We are working on a shelving project. We did have a special meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup> and closed the Library due to COVID 19 concerns.

**PUBLIC WELFARE:** Nothing on the agenda.

**PLAN COMMISSION:** Nothing on the agenda.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** Motion Gutzmer/Andrie to proclaim Arbor Day as Friday, April 24, 2020 – Program for this year has been cancelled. All in Favor. Motion Carried. We will be coming up with a plan for the little trees that we have ordered.

Dresser was named a 2019 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation.

Reminder that Dog Licenses are due at this time. 2<sup>nd</sup> Notices have gone out to dog owners that have not licensed their dog. Please submit application for license by April 13, 2020.

Dresser Easter Egg Hunt has been postponed with plans to possibly do it this summer.

Spring Election to be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2020 and Special Election to be held on Tuesday, May 12, 2020. Polls open 7 AM to 8 PM.

Open Book scheduled for Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am to Noon – Residents to meet with Gene Johnson, Assessor to discuss Property Values.

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Monthly update from Village President, Bryan “Fatboy” Raddatz. I apologize for not attending. We have cut our vacation short and are safely back in Polk County. We plan to quarantine for the time being. Karen – we appreciate your service and thank you hope you enjoy your retirement.

**MAY AGENDA BUSINESS FOR CONSIDERATION:** Nothing Stated.

**NEXT MEETINGS:**

Library Board Meeting, Monday, April 13, 2020 at 6:30 PM

CANCELLED - Public Works Committee Meeting, April 22, 2020 – CANCELLED

Allied Emergency Service, Inc. Meeting, Thursday, April 23, 2020 at 6:00 PM

Dresser and Village of Osceola Meeting to discuss Sewer Utility, April 29, 2020

Village Board Meeting, Monday, May 4, 2020 at 6:30 PM

Board of Review, Monday, May 18, 2020 from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM (All Board Members need to be present for Board of Review)

Osceola Ambulance Meeting, Wednesday, May 20, 2020 at 6:00 PM

Due to COVID 19 – All meetings will be reviewed and may be rescheduled if need be. Please watch calendar on web page for any updates.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion Bjorklund/Gutzmer to adjourn at 7:29 PM. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Jodi A Gilbert-Village Clerk

These minutes have not been approved.