

**VILLAGE OF DRESSER
VILLAGE BOARD PROCEEDINGS**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Village Board meeting was held on Monday, August 6, 2018, in the Municipal Office, 102 West Main Street. Bryan “Fatboy” Raddatz called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Raddatz called for Roll Call: Jeff Gutzmer, Karen Andrie, Elina Kuusisto, Grace Bjorklund, Richard Durand, Wayne Moberg, and Bryan “Fatboy” Raddatz were present. Also present Attorney Tim Laux, Jodi A Gilbert-Clerk/Treasurer, Robert Thompson, Ryan Haass, Vince Netherland, Gene & Sharon Hendricks, Cassie Peterson, Joyce Tesch, and Eric Everson MSA. The InterCounty Leader, The Standard Press/Ledger, and The Osceola Sun newspapers were present. Salute to the Flag was given.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion Kuusisto/Durand to dispense with the reading of the minutes. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Bjorklund/Moberg to approve the minutes of the Village Board Meeting, July 2, 2018. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Andrie asked to make a comment. I know last time I made a comment about the minutes and you get lost in all of the information. There is something in these minutes that was given to someone else. If you are going to put information in there.... Raddatz asked do you want to amend the minutes. Andrie stated on page 3 after “Jodi can take a look at it.” I said that “most is set by State Statue” not Raddatz. That change was noted and will be made. Motion Gutzmer/Bjorklund to approve the amended minutes of the Finance Personnel Committee Meeting, July 9, 2018. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Durand/Moberg to approve the minutes of the Public Works Committee Meeting, July 18, 2018. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Sharon Hendricks 226 Horsmann Ave Dresser WI 54009 submitted the following in writing at the time of the meeting “215 Horsmann Ave. [Amended 3-3-2014 by Ord. No. 242-2014] (1) No person shall erect, contrive, cause, continue, maintain or permit to exist any public nuisance within the Village. (2) Public nuisances, especially repeated incidences of public nuisances on the same parcels or properties of structures, negatively impact the community, the citizens and taxpayers of the Village of Dresser. Such nuisances use a disproportionate share of law enforcement, operational and administrative resources of the Village, adversely impact the health and safety of the residents in the neighborhood and community where they occur, damage the fabric of the neighborhood and have the potential to diminish property values in the vicinity where they exist. Also, this same property has two unlicensed motor vehicles which do not bear lawful current license plates as also shown picture on next page. Thank you for your time.” Cassie Peterson made a statement regarding Feral Cats. No other comments were made. Raddatz closed public comments.

PREREGISTERED: Vince Netherland, Director of the Polk County Economic Development Corporation – to give overview of recent activities as well as an overview of a proposed Housing Study for Polk County. Netherland stated I believe it has been a year since I dropped by. Just a quick update and I would like to talk to you about a proposed study that would affect Dresser and Polk County. Within our activities of the corporation we have a couple of priorities. Enhance business environment. One of the ways this is happening is to encourage broadband. I am happy to report that Polk County received 3 grants. We have a long way to go, but the good news is that the internet service providers have started to compete with each other. We are starting to see some progression. In addition Polk is the 4th County to get on board with broadband – they have reduced some of the fees and made it easier for broadband. How do we increase our work force – the number of people? Companies state we could do more business but we can’t hire enough people. We are working with the schools and if people want

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to stay here what options do they have – C-Aire and Tenere are looked into apprenticeship programs. When looking at the workforce – construction skill training for example. This fall there will be some training. WITC will be opening in Balsam Lake to be closer to people. We continue to recruit businesses, but we help current businesses. C-Aire wanted to start exporting to Canada. I helped them and they are starting to do business in Canada. I also help Villages with their Strategic Plans. If you have goals for your Village no matter how small or large – I can go to the resources in the State and see if I can help. If you put together some plans I can help. Don't hesitate to contact me. Through out the County there have been 3 meetings. We have invited Village folks, business men, bankers, and realtors to talk about housing. Every meeting the discussion was consistent. There is a need for housing. Elderly, first time homeowners, apartments, and down sizing are areas discussed. There is a big demand so the question is why we are not building. When this was discussed one of the things that came up was a housing study – there is a sample from Barron. This study looks at the County as a whole and looks at Villages, demographics, and tries to determine what type of housing would be most helpful. Balsam Lake asked why we need a housing study. We already know what we need elderly, etc... the question comes up is do you know what your neighbor is doing. What this study identifies is whether there is a need, what is the demand, what type of housing, can we predict the anticipated occupancy rate. There is a shortage of developers/great builders the demand is so high you have to wait. This reduces the risk so it may bring in other developers. It helps reduce making a big mistake. If you have two communities next to each other you don't want them putting in the same type of housing. There is a cost to do the study. I would be involved. We would interview Dresser people. I am not asking for a commitment at this point, but maybe what your reaction would be. If communities are interested regional planning would put together a proposal. The Village's share of the cost may be \$3,000.00 to \$4,000.00 for the study. Half of the study may be paid for by the State. Raddatz asked will the price be divided evenly for each municipality. Netherland stated we may do a per capita. Depends on what the County will chip in or any other private organization. The more people we get involved the less cost for everyone. Raddatz asked is this a 2019 project? Netherland stated hopefully in 3 weeks I hope to go to the Regional Planning Commission and then get a proposal out to everyone. Would like to get started by the end of 2018. Andrie asked don't we have a committee that handles this? Plan Commission? Andrie stated I was wondering why we didn't get a copy of this other document. If we brought it to a committee could you talk to the committee about this? Netherland stated yes. One of the questions that comes up is we don't have any more land to develop? That may be the case here, or you may realize you have more than you think. There is a demand – people are calling looking for buildings. Other Villages are saying we need to do this. Raddatz asked are you only doing Villages and Cities. Netherland stated I will be going to the towns also. The towns would have single family with space. Netherland continued there is a lot of emphasis on recruiting workers. People are saying don't bring the businesses we want workers. People want to move here. Thank you.

FINANCE: Discussion was held regarding Operator's Licenses – To Sell Fermented Malt Beverages and Intoxicating Liquors for Robert Curtis Jr. and Roxanne Stipe. Andrie stated I looked at both of them and I don't have an issue with either one of them. It was a nice letter. Motion Andrie/Kuusisto to approve Operator's Licenses – To Sell Fermented Malt Beverages and Intoxicating Liquors for Robert Curtis Jr. and Roxanne Stipe. No further discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

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Discussion took place regarding the placing of documents/information on the Dresser Web Page. Bjorklund stated we talked about this in our meeting. We felt that the committee of 3 should not make that decision – this should be a board decision. How many people have requested to have this information on the Web Page? Raddatz stated I know for sure two. It has been brought to our attention. Bjorklund stated do we make a change for 2 versus 800. That is a pretty small percentage. Kuusisto stated I am trying to figure out what is the reluctance – a lot of work. Gutzmer asked do others put these things on their web page. Andrie stated the quarterly reports should be out there. People living here and who don't attend the meetings can go on the web page and instead of wondering and going to the board see the information. We want to be transparent. It is extra work. Once the hand book is on there it is on there. Andrie stated the more information that is on there the better it makes us look transparent. Bjorklund stated it makes extra work for Jodi – we have one part time person – do we pay a person to keep the web page changes up to date. Would Shannon be interested in it – set a certain number of hours? A few of the bigger cities have their department heads put things on the web page. Gutzmer stated I don't see a great cost in putting some information on the web page. The handbook is a one time deal. The financial information – couldn't that be put on like any other notice. Andrie stated we don't have a newsletter. Places that have newsletters put financial information in them. Andrie commented is there anything on these documents handbook/financials that shouldn't be on there. Kuusisto stated it is public information. Durand stated the office is overloaded – do we look into the future in the next budget for this. Andrie stated I didn't say the detail just where we are at on the budget quarterly. Raddatz clarified so the quarterly budget information. Motion Andrie/Kuusisto to put the quarterly financial information on the budget and the employee handbook on the web page so everyone knows what employees get and can see the information themselves. Raddatz called for any further discussion. Raddatz stated the end of the quarter for instance is March 31st and it may take some time to put this on the web page. Durand asked how many people have computers and use it every day. Getting the information out to the tax payers is a huge job Bjorklund stated and I am not opposed to putting it on there. Roll Call Vote was taken. Gutzmer – yes, Andrie – yes, Kuusisto – yes, Bjorklund - no, Durand – no, Moberg – no, Raddatz – yes. 4 yes votes/3 no votes. Motion Carried.

Discussion was held regarding the recommendation from the Finance/Personnel Committee to update the Village of Dresser Employee Performance Evaluation Policy to include the new Performance Review Form. Bjorklund stated the only thing we are changing is the new form. I would like to thank Andrie who did a lot of work on this. The committee took things in and out and came up with an adequate form. We have accepted the form and look for it to be added into the policy. On top is the policy and attached is the new form. This is not in the handbook. The handbook relates to the evaluation policy. Motion Bjorklund/Moberg to add the new form to the policy. Andrie asked can I ask if any of the employees have seen it. No they have not seen it. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Durand/Bjorklund to approve the 2018 Budget Amendment: Decrease the following accounts: \$4,500.00 Catch Basins 10-57000-610, \$5,000.00 Capital Outlay-LRIP 10-57000-620. Increase the following account: \$9,500.00 Streets & Alleys 10-53410-260 to cover the repairs for the South Street Storm Water Ditch Repair. Raddatz stated so we had to come up with some money to pay for this. The catch basins account came up and we haven't had to spend it this year. Some are failing, but they are not bad enough to fix. No further discussion took place. Roll Call Vote took place. All members of the board present voted yes. Motion Carried.

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Motion Andrie/Bjorklund to approve monthly Vouchers/Payroll Check #37511-#37603 Payroll \$16,859.56 plus Vouchers \$59,559.323 for a Total of \$76,418.89. Roll Call Vote. All board members present voted yes. Motion Carried.

Discussion was held regarding the renewal of the Dresser Employee Health Insurance with Medica – MIC PP WI 1000-30-20% Gold with the employee continuing to pay 10% of the premiums and that the Village will reimburse Ryan Haass up to \$500.00 of the employee deductible if the insurance deductible is used. Raddatz stated it look like it is going up 10%. Bjorklund stated 6.7%. Raddatz stated OK it is not going up much. Bjorklund stated I believe it is down from last year. I talked to the employees – one is OK with the coverage and one did not respond. Andrie stated can I ask why there is a reimbursement up to \$500.00 for Ryan. Bjorklund stated it was grandfathered in when the Village went to a higher deductible. At that time it was to ease the increase. Andrie stated that doesn't typically happen. Raddatz stated it was grandfathered in. Andrie stated it is unfair to the other employees. Raddatz asked how is it unfair. Andrie stated they are not getting it. They were not hired with that benefit. We are honoring what was originally approved Raddatz stated. Haass stated I have used it once. Motion Raddatz/Gutzmer to approve the Dresser Employee Health Insurance with Medica – MIC PP WI 1000-30-20% Gold with the employee continuing to pay 10% of the premiums and that the Village will reimburse Ryan Haass up to \$500.00 of the employee deductible if the insurance deductible is used. No further discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS: Update was given on the Horsmann/Peterson Project. Everson was present. The water/sewer on Peterson is in. Only 2 are not hooked up. They are almost done with storm sewer and the grading of the road. On Wednesday they plan to start the utilities on Horsmann. The soils will be better on Horsmann. We did have an issue with the soils on the north end of Peterson. They brought in breaker rock. Sand/crushed rock. The poor soils would not hold up. The soils are like play dough. Raddatz stated you can stand there and sink. The foreman was jumping up and down and sinking. Luckily the area is not very wide. They have built the first 60-70 feet of road and are driving equipment on it. Crushed rock – bigger rock. Durand asked what does the rubber matt do. Everson stated it is fabric to prevent the current material from being pushed in to the other soil. When putting heavy trucks on it we didn't want to pump up the bad material. Bjorklund asked if the project was on time. Everson stated we are behind, but we should meet the deadlines. Andrie asked how have the residents been. Everson stated they are getting our updates. It takes communication Andrie stated. Durand stated I have talked to the engineers every other day and Lori has been great.

Discussion was held regarding the change order for the Horsmann/Peterson Project. Raddatz stated this is for the rock. We looked at sand because it was cheaper but it wouldn't work. We can't have a bad road under the black top. I think this is a fair price. \$20.00 a ton. As we are placing it we realize we may not have to go as wide. \$5,500.00 has been spent. The CDBG will cover 50%. So far this is the only change order. Bjorklund stated hopefully Horsmann will be better. The change order is for \$13,845 which covers the material and having it placed. Motion Bjorklund/Durand to approve the change order for the Horsmann/Peterson Project as presented by MSA Professional Services. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Update was given on the Storm Water Ditch on South Street Repairs. Raddatz stated this project was scheduled for the 3rd week in July, but the Catch Basin just came in. It is now scheduled for this

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Thursday and hopefully will be done by Friday of this week. It is a two day project depending on the rain. Bjorklund asked what are we doing with the old ditch. Raddatz stated it is just plastic and J&S will be pulling it out.

Discussion was held regarding the wash out on State Street by the Guard Rail by the Fire Department. Raddatz stated this was just brought to our attention when the ditch was mowed. It has been slowly washing out. I have talked to a couple of contractors. We really need to have curb and gutter in that area. There is water coming from both ways and washing it out. I looked at it Friday morning with Arik. We didn't have time to put rock in it so it washed out more over the weekend. They did put some rock into this today. We put in some bigger rock. That is cheap. To fix it the cost would be around \$5,000.00 to \$8,000.00 to do it completely. At this point we are not doing anything but throwing some rock at it – we may have to do something down the road.

Discussion was held regarding the recommendation from the Public Works Committee to approve the repairs to the Water Tower as presented in the Dixon Engineering Report. Raddatz stated so they came - Joe came and talked to the public works committee. Things were doubled up in the report. They did a paint test again when they were here. It is good and we can bond to it. Not that this is a cheap project. Page 6 discusses the wet interior repainting which is included above but could be delayed. If we wait another 5 years it would be a 25 % increase in cost. The \$80,000.00 down the road could be \$100,000.00 plus. Raddatz stated we discussed the pressure tanks at the board level. By having the tanks we don't have to open fire hydrants and have the Wells run none stop and would not be wasting water. The committee agreed to do that interior and do it now. The cost of engineering and contingency will be in the future. Andrie stated I can't remember but wasn't this discussed and added to the loan – part of the bond issue. Raddatz stated around \$150,000.00 was originally part of the bond issue which was from the Lane Tank inspection. Lane didn't have anything in there for safety and other stuff. Andrie asked how are we paying for it. If the board approves moving forward this is a water expense – Bjorklund stated when we have the CPA here at budget time we can discuss. Would we be increasing the water rates? We can't have a water tower not up to specs – Raddatz stated. Our hands are tied. Motion Kuusisto/Moberg to accept the recommendation from the Public Works Committee to do the repairs to the water tower as presented from Dixon Engineering. No further discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Bjorklund/Gutzmer to accept the recommendation from the Public Works Committee to approve the update to the 5-year Road Plan as presented. Raddatz stated after much discussion these were the ones that we came up with. We looked at infrastructure. A possible LRIP project down the road. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Public Works Monthly Report – July 2018. Thompson read the report as presented. In trying to get a fire hydrant fixed a valve was broke. We had to isolate the shut off and the valve broke so we now will be fixing that. The ditches look really good now that they are mowed. There were no questions for Rob.

PUBLIC SAFETY: The Building Inspector Report for July 2018 was presented to the board.

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Discussion was held regarding Attorney Tim Laux's resignation as prosecutor only for the Dresser Municipal Court. This is not for legal council. Laux does prosecution for multiple municipalities. I am looking forward to full retirement. FYI – based on Haass tickets there has only been one trial and it had 3 minutes of testimony. That is about it. Moria won't be over worked by Dresser. Motion Raddatz/Kuusisto to accept Attorney Tim Laux's resignation for only the prosecutor for the Dresser Municipal Court and hope he enjoys partial retirement. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Discussion was held regarding a proposal from Moria Ludvigson to serve as prosecutor for the Dresser Municipal Court. Raddatz stated she comes highly recommended. I spoke with her and she is willing to do it. Andrie stated shouldn't we put this out to bid. Motion Andrie to put this out to bid. I don't know the other names, but Kate would be interested. She was not called. Andrie continued so I called her to see if she would be our prosecutor. Attorney Laux stated in my letter I stated that I talked with all of those people and they would be willing to serve. Raddatz stated she was on the top of the list. Andrie stated I still think we need additional quotes. Bjorklund stated Laux is done August 15th. Laux stated I don't have a back log of cases for Dresser. Motion Andrie to do a request for proposal for prosecuting council – Raddatz asked for a 2nd. Gutzmer 2nd the motion. Any other discussion. Nothing was stated. Raddatz called for a Roll Call Vote. Gutzmer – yes. Andrie – yes. Kuusisto – yes. Bjorklund - no. Durand – no. Moberg – no. Raddatz – no. Motion Failed. Motion Bjorklund/Raddatz to hire Moria Ludvigson to serve as prosecutor for the Dresser Municipal Court. No further discussion took place. Raddatz called for Roll Call Vote. Gutzmer – no. Andrie – no. Kuusisto – yes. Bjorklund – yes. Durand – yes. Moberg – yes. Raddatz - yes. Motion Carried.

Police Department July 2018 Report. Haass stated I talked to several people about fireworks. I did not respond to the hotel this past month. Andrie stated at the Finance/Personnel Committee meeting it was stated that there were job descriptions around here. Haass stated I was never given a job description. Raddatz stated things are governed by Statute. Andrie stated other municipalities have them.

Update from the Allied Emergency Services, Inc. meeting that was held on July 26, 2018. We don't have the minutes yet. Gutzmer stated it is hard to get use to that name. Raddatz stated they are working to get things all switched over to Allied Emergency Service, Inc. Pumpers were discussed. At this time we didn't buy anything. The new building bids are opened this week. Bjorklund asked if the bylaws were all signed. We will be getting a full signed copy for the file here at Dresser.

PUBLIC WELFARE:

Ordinance #253-2018 An Ordinance Amending a Part of the Village Code Relating to Cigarettes and Tobacco Products. Motion Kuusisto/Andrie to amend the rules waiving two readings 2.10(b). All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Bjorklund/Durand to amend the rules to allow an immediate vote 2.10(2). All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Bjorklund/Kuusisto to pass and approve Ordinance #253-2018. Any discussion? This puts our Ordinance in line with State Statutes. It covers vaping. Roll Call Vote was called for. All board members present voted yes. Motion Carried.

LIBRARY: The Library Board Minutes from the July 10, 2018 meeting were reviewed by the board. Kuusisto stated with the summer programs the attendance is way up. The landscaping looks good. Andrie stated there must have been 20-30 kids the other day. The Shark program had 60 kids. John is creative and responsive to people.

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PLAN COMMISSION: Nothing on the Agenda.

OTHER BUSINESS: Motion Raddatz/Durand to approve renewing a contract with Gene Johnson-Appraisal Services for Property Assessment Services for 2019, 2020, & 2021. The price has not gone up very much. Andrie asked why was it so high in 2016. That year was a revaluation of the whole village. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Discussion was held regarding letter from Tanya Borg – Farm, Feral, & Stray – Feral Cats. Borg was not present at the meeting. Can we put her advertising on the water/sewer billings and offer free neutering to the Village Residents. Kuusisto it would be free to put on the water bills. If the Village agrees to let her advertise then the Village may need to allow everyone to advertise on the bills. Raddatz stated I don't know if this should go on the water bill. Kuusisto stated this would be a free service to residents. It could be put out on social media. Andrie stated we should be able to do something. When she was here Tim was very good and left it up to the board on what they want to do. When he was done we should have addressed what we needed to do. She has come up with something else. Why can't this board do something? Look at putting something in an envelope. How about a notice on the window. Put it on the web site. It is not that big of a deal. Motion Andrie to have somebody look into this to have a committee look into it. Motion Andrie to have a committee look into how we can get that information out to the public. What committee should look at this? Andrie stated this could be a safety issue. Raddatz asked which committee should look at this. Andrie stated I amend my motion that this board approve putting this into our web site and any if we are doing any mailing that has an envelope that Jodi sends out something and Tanya would have dates available and post it here. What about the cost of the mailings. She is a private enterprise Bjorklund stated. Andrie stated it should be free for our citizens. Kuusisto stated we are just trying to help her. If you do for one you will be doing for others. Can we post it on the web site? Laux asked what about an ad hoc committee. Create a committee to look into this. Bjorklund stated I don't know about private enterprise advertising on the Village. There are labor costs, copy cost, and postage. We are looking at mailings that are already done. Bjorklund stated this is still private enterprise. Kuusisto stated printed pieces of paper could be brought in. Laux stated I don't see a conflict of interest. I tend to think that someone is asking to do something for free there may be some concerns about it. Does the Board find a way to accommodate this issue? Are they providing a document or is the Village creating something. Kuusisto stated they would provide. When we do a mailing we send out approximately 375 pieces. A ream of paper is \$3-\$4. Motion Gutzmer/Bjorklund to have this topic be revisited by the public welfare committee to make a recommendation to the board regarding advertising of the free service. Roll Call Vote. Gutzmer – yes. Andrie – yes. Kuusisto – yes. Bjorklund – yes. Durand – no. Moberg – no. Raddatz – no. Motion Carried.

Partisan Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, August 14, 2018 – Polls Open 7AM to 8PM

Dresser Municipal Office will be closed to the public on August 15-17 and August 22-24 for Computer Upgrade/Training.

Motion Kuusisto/Bjorklund to change the date of the regularly scheduled Village Board Meeting – Monday, September 3, 2018(Labor Day) to Tuesday, September 4th. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

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Monthly update from Village President, Bryan “Fatboy” Raddatz. Budget stuff will be coming up. The road project is going well. We have been having Monday meetings. The contractor has been great to work with. Things are going well. Lisa is doing a great job.

SEPTEMBER AGENDA BUSINESS: Andrie stated can we go back to the citizen police committee issue with Chief Haass – I asked to have on this on the agenda and was assuming this was going to the public safety committee. Laux stated you can have this on the agenda. Raddatz stated OK put it on. Andrie also inquired about getting packets earlier than Friday evening. Raddatz stated they are trying. There has been a lot of last minute stuff.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Library Board Meeting, Monday, August 13, 2018 at 6:30 PM

Osceola Ambulance Meeting, Wednesday, August 22, 2018 at 6:00 PM

Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting, Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at 1:00 PM

Allied Emergency Services, Inc. Budget Meeting, Tuesday, September 25, 2018 at 6:00 PM

Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting, Wednesday, September 26, 2018 at 1:00 PM

Allied Emergency Service, Inc. Quarterly Meeting, Thursday, October 18, 2018 at 6:00 PM

Village Board Meeting, Tuesday, September 4th, 2018 at 6:30 PM

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned by the board.

Jodi A Gilbert-Village Clerk

These minutes have not been approved.