

**VILLAGE OF DRESSER  
POLK COUNTY  
VILLAGE BOARD PROCEEDINGS**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Village Board meeting was held on Monday, February 2, 2015, in the Municipal Office, 102 West Main Street. Bryan Beseler called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Beseler called for Roll Call: Jim Rochford Jr., Darron Nelson, Elina Kuusisto, Wayne Moberg, Richard Durand, Grace Bjorklund, and Bryan Beseler were all present. Also present Attorney Tim Laux, Jodi A. Gilbert-Clerk, Ryan Haass–Police, Steve Jacobs–Public Works Supervisor, and several people from the public. The Standard Press/Ledger arrived late, The InterCounty Leader-Greg Marsten, and the The Osceola Sun – newspapers were all present. Salute to the Flag was given.

Beseler informed the board and the public that former Village President, Rick Flandrena passed away about 3 weeks ago. Beseler called for a short moment of silence in his honor.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion Rochford/Durand to dispense with the reading of the minutes. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Nelson/Moberg to approve the minutes of the Village Board Meeting, January 5, 2015. Beseler stated I misquoted myself at the last meeting. There was a pre-registered individual on a previous agenda that did give a presentation to the board and no action was taken. That particular individual was Cedar Corporation updating the board on the services that their firm provides. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:** Nothing was stated.

**PREREGISTERED:**

Discussion was held in regards to a request from Dave & Carmen Brian for use of the Dresser Community Hall, to close Main Street in front of the Community Hall, and for a donation for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt to be held on Saturday, April 4, 2015. Bjorklund stated I met with Carmen Brian and she is unable to be here tonight. She did tell me about the event and how it operates. Apparently they are sponsored by Usborn Books. Carmen along with several other volunteers solicit from the area businesses since there are kids that attend from the surrounding communities. The money that is collected is used to purchase the books. Any donation that the Village would give would be used for the purchase of books. Usborn does match the money Carmen raises up to 50%. It is quite a task for her. If anyone wants to volunteer she would welcome the help. I believe in the past we have given them \$275.00. Carmen did not put an amount in the request and she didn't tell me an amount either. Beseler stated I believe last year Usborn worked them as well. It is a well attended event. Bjorklund stated the books are beautiful hard cover and I think we should give her the same amount as we give the other events. Keep all 3 events – Easter/Halloween/Santa all the same. We should give her \$300.00 to be consistent with the other events. That would still leave money for the garage sales. Motion Bjorklund/Beseler to give \$300.00 to Usborn Books to be used towards the 2015 Dresser Easter Egg Hunt. We can make the check to the book company, Carmen is OK with that. Make sure that it is noted for purchase of Easter Egg Hunt Books. Any further discussion. Bjorklund stated I would just like to put out a thank you to Carmen and Dave for all of the work they put into this event. We really appreciate them. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Discussion was held regarding request from Brad Swager for a donation of use of the Dresser Community Hall for a fundraiser for Joe Swager. Brad Swager stated my father has stage 4 lung cancer. Insurance covers 80% of the costs and right now he owes over \$100,000.00. The Village Hall came up when we started talking fundraiser and I am seeing if you are willing to donate it or do it at a lower cost. He now lives in Centuria. Bjorklund stated I believe he use to live in the Trailer Court here in Dresser and then moved to State Street. Swager stated yes. Bjorklund asked are you doing this alone. Swager stated just myself overall and I have some additional help. Bjorklund stated I don't know what we have done – traditionally we waived everything but the

cleaning fee of \$75.00. Bjorklund asked Swager if that would be acceptable. Swager stated yes. Bjorklund stated you want to do this in May. Swager stated yes on a Saturday. Bjorklund stated you will need to check on the availability of the Hall. Beseler asked when did you move out of Dresser. Swager stated over 10 years ago. Kuusisto asked what have we done for nonresidents. We just haven't had many. Beseler stated the family does have ties to Dresser and I support a 50% reduction. Bjorklund stated 50% plus the \$75.00 cleaning. We don't have to charge them for another day if need to set up. Swager stated the Village Pizzeria is helping us out with the food. Motion Beseler to donate 50% of the cost of the Hall. So it would be \$150.00 full day rate pending that the schedule is open and available. Bjorklund 2<sup>nd</sup> the Motion. It was noted for the record that 50% is solely based on previous residency and community standing of the family. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

### **ACTIONS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Discussion was held in regards to the Report on the Sanitary Survey of the Public Water Supply System serving the Village of Dresser that was completed by Ken Scherer, P.E. Department of Natural Resources dated January 22, 2015. Beseler turned the floor over to Jacobs. Ken Scherer was just here and gave us the annual water survey. We have the write up that was provided in your packets. The corrective actions you have seen in the past and we are not getting any extensions on them. Tonight you have the Ordinance on Cross Connection on the agenda for your action. The Cross Connection program is 70% completed - it needs review and items added to it. The Private Well Ordinance needs to reviewed and we need to get back to Ken. The current Ordinance didn't reference everything he was asking about. Some of the other things on the report are minor. We have a tool coming from Rural Water to help exercise the Valves this coming May/June. Fire Hydrants are being done annually. Bjorklund stated I do believe we have operated a program in the past, but recently it hasn't been followed as well as it should have been. Jacobs stated in the past it was as needed or when there was maintenance. Much is not documented. Durand agreed it had been set up to do every so many years and it has just fallen by the way side. Jacobs stated we have a program for water valves, hydrants, and meters on the computer and now it is just doing the paperwork. Exercising a valve when it hasn't been turned takes the chance of leaks/breaking to a higher percentage. We may have problems and have to dig some up. Bjorklund stated it says that the deficiencies need to commented on by March 8<sup>th</sup>. The Ordinance will be done tonight. The program is due in May. It is probably about 70% complete and I hope next month to have it done. The Private Well Ordinance will be ready for the board in about 30 days. This has been ongoing. Nord was working on Cross Connection all the way back to 1984. Beseler stated we talked about this when we did the complete installation of water meters. The State at this point says you have talked enough. Motion Beseler/Rochford to accept the report and to refer all necessary actions to the public works committee. Bjorklund stated there is a lot of maintenance to address. You can try to look at all of this during the committee meeting. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Ordinance #244-2015 An Ordinance Amending a Part of the Municipal Utilities Code. Motion Rochford/Bjorklund to amend the rules waiving two readings 2.10(b). All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Durand/Rochford to amend the rules to allow an immediate vote 2.10(2). All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Rochford/Durand to pass and approve Ordinance #244-2015. Any Discussion. Bjorklund stated this brings us into compliance with the WI Admin Code and the DNR Code, which is the reason for all of the updates. We will be adding a program for Cross Connection to it. Roll Call Vote (3/4 roll call vote of board members required) was taken. All members of board present voted yes. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Discussion was held in regards to the Draft Cross Connection Control Program for the Village of Dresser. Jacobs stated this was given to the board to review it and see if you have any changes. Some pages in the back are not in there. I can work with the committee to finalize. Beseler stated I believe this is already referred to committee. Moberg is chairman and they can review at their meeting.

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**FINANCE:** Motion Bjorklund/Rochford to approve the monthly Vouchers #34185 - #34256 Totaling \$240,684.91. Roll Call Vote was taken. All members of the board present voted yes. Motion Carried.

Discussion was held in regards to Barb Williamson's request for 2015 Wages. Beseler stated you have a copy of her letter in your packet. I apologize for the timing; I thought it went to all board members when I opened it. I thought wrong. We now all have it. You will see in the letter that Barb has made a request to forego an increase for 2015. Up to this point, since the board did a previous action. I put this increase on hold and it will be retroactive if not changed. Bjorklund stated I believe this is based on the limitation on Social Security. Bjorklund stated not many people don't want a raise. Motion Rochford/Moberg to honor her request. Beseler asked Attorney Laux if the board needed to address the previous action. Laux stated you can't undo that, but you can honor a specific request. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**LIBRARY:** The Library Board minutes from the January 12, 2015 meeting were presented to the board. Rochford stated we met with Mrs. Pickard and a lot is going on. She is getting her feet wet and you have the minutes in front of you. For those that didn't hear Linda Bowitz had a stroke, but she is doing well and is back at home. She has not yet returned to work. Jodi sent flowers to Linda Bowitz on behalf of the Village.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** The Building Inspector Report for January 2015 was presented to the board. We did have a Final Inspection on a new home here in Dresser.

The Police Department January 2015 report was presented to the Village Board.

Discussion was held regarding the hiring of a Part-Time Dresser Police Officer. Haass stated I have found a part time police officer and you have my letter in front of you. He is retired from the National Park Service. Once the paperwork is completed with the state then he has one year from date of file to take the WI Reciprocity Test. Bjorklund asked when would he be on patrol. Haass stated we still need to order uniforms I hope by the end of the month. Hopefully by March 1<sup>st</sup>. Motion Beseler/Kuusisto to proceed with the hiring of Rodney Turner as a Dresser Part Time Police Officer. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Update was given in regards to the DOG Fire Meeting that was held on January 15, 2015. It was stated that nothing too crazy happened. A couple new fire men were brought on board. We continue working on the Alden expansion, but the weather has not been very good. They hope to continue with the project later this spring. A copy of the DOG Fire Audit is at the Village Office if anyone wants to see it.

### **PUBLIC WELFARE:**

**PLAN COMMISSION:** Discussion was held in regards to the appointment of Karl Beaupre and Jim Thanig to serve on the Dresser Plan Commission. Bjorklund asked are these two year terms? Beseler stated they are filling positions that are both open and those terms are until May of 2016. Thanig has served on the Board in the past and he works for the Village of Somerset. Beaupre is a Deputy Sheriff and previously lived on Garfield. He sold that town home and has now built a new home on Roosevelt, so he has moved back into the Village. Beseler continued I am very excited to bring both of them on. Motion Rochford/Nelson to approve the appointments of Karl Beaupre and Jim Thanig to serve on the Dresser Plan Commission. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** The Village of Dresser Audit is scheduled for February 3-5, 2015 with CliftonLarsonAllen.

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Monthly update was given by Village President, Bryan Beseler. It has been a quiet month. If anybody is able to attend services for Rick they are on Friday from 1-3PM. I am unable to attend. We are sending an arrangement on behalf of the Village. We did formal thank you by resolution when he left the Village.

**MARCH AGENDA BUSINESS:** Nothing Stated.

**NEXT MEETINGS:**

Joint Municipal Court Meeting, Wednesday, February 4, 2015 at 5:30 PM- Beseler unable to attend.

Library Board Meeting, Monday, February 9, 2015 at 6:30 PM

Plan Commission Meeting, Monday, February 16, 2015 at 7:00 PM

Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting, Wednesday, February 18, 2015 at 8:30 AM

Osceola Ambulance Meeting, Thursday, February 19, 2015 at 7:00 PM

Village Board Meeting, Monday, March 2, 2015 at 6:30 PM

DOG Fire Association Meeting, Thursday, April 16, 2015

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion Bjorklund/Nelson to adjourn at 7:07 PM. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Jodi A. Gilbert - Village Clerk

*These minutes have not been approved.*