

**VILLAGE OF DRESSER
VILLAGE BOARD PROCEEDINGS**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Village Board meeting was held on Monday, March 1, 2021. In order to comply with social distancing rules, the meeting was moved from the Municipal Office, 102 W Main Street to the Dresser Community Hall, 115 W Main Street. Bryan “Fatboy” Raddatz called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Roll Call: Bryan “Fatboy” Raddatz, Grace Bjorklund, Richard Durand, Wayne Moberg, Elina Kuusisto, Darren Peterson, and Jeff Gutzmer were present. Village Attorney, Paul Mahler of Bakke Norman absent. Also, present Jodi A Gilbert-Clerk/Treasurer, Jacki Owens-Clerk/Deputy Treasurer, Matt Koch-Public Works, Rob Thompson-Public Works, Ryan Haass-Police Chief, and Carmen Brian. The InterCounty Leader, Greg Marsten arrived late. Salute to the Flag was given.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion Durand/Moberg to dispense with the reading of the minutes. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Bjorklund/Kuusisto to approve minutes of the Village Board Meeting, February 1, 2021. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Raddatz called for Citizen Comments. Raddatz called for Citizen Comments. Raddatz called for Citizen Comments. No comments were made. Raddatz closed Citizen Comments.

PREREGISTERED: Discussion held regarding Dave and Carmen Brian’s request to use the Dresser Community Hall and Main Street for drive-by Easter Egg Event. Flyer is on the table and information is in your packet. Raddatz commented, awesome – neat plan. Carmen talked about there won’t be candy, people will stay in their cars. They will be disbursing bags and eggs from last year. Included will be sealed beverages and containers of stuff that will be given out. Hopefully it will be a success. Use of Public Works cones was requested for traffic control. Motion Kuusisto/Gutzmer to allow Dave and Carmen Brian to use the Dresser Community Hall and Main Street from 9:00am to 11:00am for a Drive-by Easter Egg Event to be held Saturday, April 3, 2021, and use of Public Works cones. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Discussion was held regarding request from Rob Thompson, Allied Emergency Services to use the Dresser Community Hall for food preparation and to close a portion of Main Street and Central Avenue for Drive-through Spaghetti feed fundraiser. Raddatz mentioned this is the 2nd 14th annual event. Last year didn’t count. Rob mentioned Main Street will have one lane open for East bound traffic. Raddatz, great idea. Bjorklund verified this is a free will donation. It was noted buckets will be used to drop money in before the food is provided. Will there be any raffles? No. Hopefully it goes well. Motion Bjorklund/Durand to allow Allied Emergency Services to use the Dresser Community Hall for Food preparation, and to close a portion of Main Street and Central Avenue for the 14th Annual Spaghetti Feed drive-through fundraiser to be held Saturday, April 10, 2021 from 3pm to 7pm. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS: Discussion was held regarding purchase of 2021 John Deere 524P Pay Loader in the amount of \$195,615.00. Information in your packet. Bjorklund asked does this include everything from last meeting. Raddatz, yes it does. No other discussion. Motion Peterson/Gutzmer to approve the purchase of a 2021 John Deere 524P Pay Loader in the amount of \$195,615.00. Raddatz called for a Roll Call Vote. All members of the board present voted yes. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

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Public Works Monthly Report: February 2021. Matt read the report. Raddatz asked if the water break at Dresser Food and Liquor was taken care of. Matt stated that Osceola Plumbing capped the pipe in the back building of Dresser Food and Liquor. The store does not have a water shut-off to the back building. The curb stand for the store is not accessible. Public Works is working with the store for repairs in the spring. Raddatz asked about preparations for painting of the Dresser Community Hall. Matt gave an update, cages and covers need to be removed from lights and fans. No other questions were asked.

FINANCE: Motion Bjorklund/Peterson to approve monthly Voucher/Payroll Checks #39978 - #40057 Payroll \$16,929.64 plus Vouchers \$571,727.40 for a Total of \$588,657.04. Roll Call Vote. All members of the board present voted yes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY: The Building Inspector Report for February 2021 was present to the board. Raddatz stated it was on the table. Nothing too exciting. There was a couple of permits issued.

Discussion was held regarding \$7,375.00 received from sale of 2014 Dodge Durango - move to LGIP account #02 – police car replacement. Bjorklund commented it's a nice start for the next car. Motion Peterson/Kuusisto to approve the \$7,375.00 received from the sale of 2014 Dodge Durango – move to LGIP account #02 – police car replacement. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Police Department February 2021 Report. Report was on the table. Gutzmer asked about what bills were forged – Haass stated \$10 bills. No other questions were asked.

Update was given from the Osceola Ambulance Meeting that was held on February 18, 2021. Raddatz stated things are looking good. We base our budget on 300 runs and in 2020 we had 376 runs. We have been busy. Scott Wing donation money is still in the general fund to be used if we get cash poor. Since things are looking good, we may use that money towards paying down the house. Sitting good Raddatz stated.

Reminder that all dog owners are to license their dogs by March 31, 2021. Form Available on the Village of Dresser web-site or in the Clerk's office. We have a few more to go – 68 left to license.

LIBRARY: Presentation of the Library Board Minutes from the February 8, 2021 meeting. Kuusisto gave presentation – not a whole lot exciting. The board accepted the Director's evaluation. People are still hanging on with Zoom programming. There have been some circulation/curb side pick-ups. There's a tiny bit left of weeding out of the collection. Northwest Passage got a lot of books and also Polk County jail. We are looking at doing some outdoor programming and getting canopies for this.

Presentation of the 2020 Dresser Public Library Annual report. FYI for Village Board. Any questions on that - nothing stated.

PUBLIC WELFARE: Nothing on the agenda.

PLAN COMMISSION: Nothing on the agenda.

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OTHER BUSINESS: Discussion regarding renewal of all appointments to the Zoning Board of Appeals Committee effective March 1, 2021. Bjorklund asked if they are all the same people. Mark Kuhl is a new alternate, other-wise everyone else the same. Motion Bjorklund/Peterson to renew all appointments to the Zoning Board of Appeals Committee effective March 1, 2021. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Discussion regarding designation of official newspaper for the Village of Dresser. Raddatz stated there are only two to pick from. Bjorklund stated we are happy with the Leader. They are always available for special things. Motion Durand/Kuusisto to designate Inter-County Leader as the official newspaper of the Village of Dresser for the coming year. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Update – Board of Review will be held Monday, May 3, 2021. Gilbert stated that due to reevaluation Board of Review will be have to be called to order and adjourned to a later date. This meeting will start at 6:30 PM with the regularly scheduled board meeting to immediately follow. Grace Bjorklund completed training May 6, 2020. The training for this is being changed to annually starting in 2022.

Update – Due to COVID19 there will be no Arbor Day celebration at Dresser Elementary.

Spring Election is to be held on Tuesday, April6, 2021. Polls open 7AM to 8PM.

Monthly update from Village President, Bryan “Fatboy” Raddatz. Thanks, Rob, for dealing with the water break at Bernick’s Pepsi that happened during the last cold spell in the middle of the night. There’s a meeting this coming Wednesday (3/3/2021) at 2:30pm with MSA for road projects. Gilbert stated we will be looking at some long-term planning. Greg Marsten, InterCounty Leader, asked about activity at the old F&A building. Sweet Additions purchased it and is planning on being up and running in a couple months. Raddatz stated he has been in contact with the owner and is hoping to get a meeting set-up soon. No other information was available at this time.

APRIL AGENDA BUSINESS FOR CONSIDERATION: Nothing was stated.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Library Board Meeting, Monday, March 8, 2021 at 6:30 PM

Special Board Meeting, Monday, March 29, 2021 at 6:30 PM

Allied Emergency Service Board Mtg, Thursday, April 15, 2021 at 6:00 PM – Alden Station

Osceola Ambulance Meeting, Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at 6:00 PM

ADJOURNMENT: Motion Bjorklund/Kuusisto to adjourn at 7:01 PM. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Jodi A Gilbert-Village Clerk

These minutes have not been approved.