

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

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Village Board meeting was held on Monday, March 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 more than 25 people from the public. The Standard Press/Ledger, The InterCounty Leader, and the The Osceola Sun newspapers were all present. Salute to the Flag was given.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion Rochford/Nelson to dispense with the reading of the minutes. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Bjorklund/Durand to approve the minutes of the Village Board Meeting, February 2, 2015. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Durand/Nelson to approve the minutes of the Public Works Committee Meeting, February 11, 2015. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Beseler/Moberg to approve the minutes of the Plan Commission Meeting, February 16, 2015. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Rochford/Moberg to approve the minutes of the Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting, February 18, 2015. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:** Beseler called for Citizen Comments. Please state your name and address for the record. Also comments are limited to three minutes. Mike Loescher – Town of Farmington – I am here representing the land owners of the property East of Dresser. Loescher handed out his comments and read the following: “Dear Member of the Board of the Village of Dresser, We the landowners signed below would like to respectfully ask for your reconsideration of our request to set up a commission to hear our ideas regarding a possible trap-rock quarry on the east side of the Village of Dresser. We make this request for reconsideration based on the fact that we were advised that we could not make a presentation without a request for annexation. As support the Chairman referred to Municipal Code 2.15, which gives a citizen the right to address the Board provided that Municipal Code 2.05 has been met. Code 2.05 no longer exists. The ambiguity is obvious. We would, therefore, renew our request to talk with you. We were ready to do so in December until we were told we could not do so at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour. (We had already been asked to send our presentation in to the secretary by that time.) Our idea is to partner with the Village of Dresser in this venture. To apply for annexation without speaking to our partner first would be foolish, something we are not willing to do at this time. The Comprehensive Plan of the Village of Dresser states, “The Village encourages public-private partnerships as a way to promote investment in the Village and to spur downtown revitalization.” It also recommends a policy to, “Support the development of agricultural and forestry related businesses within the Extraterritorial Jurisdiction that provide opportunities for area farmers and entrepreneurs to diversify and add value to local products.” We earnestly ask you, the representatives of the people of this Village, to make those words real by partnering with us to consider the very possibilities which your own plan recommends. Thank you for your consideration. Mike & Laura Loescher, Jim & Jeanne Rochford, and Glyn and Cindy Thorman.” Margo Johnson - East Farmington – I spent time in a business in Hudson and we were located next to a quarry and nothing happened. Trap Rock has been a good neighbor. The Blue Movement is now replacing the Green Movement. Joyce Tesch - resident of the Village of Dresser – I approve the quarry. Ryan McInnes – I use to live in Dresser and currently my business is in Dresser – I approve the quarry. It will add income to the Village giving tax relief for businesses. It will bring revenue to the Village and you could use it. I do approve of a quarry. Anthony Karis – I live by Horse Lake – I approve the quarry because it would be a good move for industry in the area. It would be a good thing for Dresser to get bigger. I currently work in Hudson and I am interested in not having to drive 35 miles to work one way. This would be good for the surrounding communities. Glen Thorman – Land Owner – every time I have been here I have noticed the picture of the existing quarry on the wall. We are looking to provide jobs and revenue to this community. We would be a good neighbor for the community. The existing

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Trap Rock mine has realized that they are in a good location for them. That is why they have stayed. We are not asking for anything more than what the existing mine has. It would be great to see a picture of a 2<sup>nd</sup> quarry on the wall. If we didn't think this would be good for Dresser we would be the first one's to tell you that. The current mine has not caused detriment to the current homes or the water or the value of homes. Our offer is for conversation. Beseler called for any additional Citizen Comments. Nothing Stated. Beseler closed Citizen Comments.

Beseler stated I had a request from Officer Ryan Haass to move the Police issues to the top of the agenda. The Police Department February 2015 report was presented to the Village Board. Haass stated the numbers are in front of you. If you have any questions let me know.

Haass gave an update from the Joint Municipal Court Meeting that was held on February 4, 2015. You can see that we were able to cover our debt balance to the court. Everything is based on the number of citations issued. You look at the percentage of Dresser versus Osceola. We were able to pay our share out of forfeitures that were collected. Osceola was not able to do so - they had to use General Fund dollars to make up the difference.

**PREREGISTERED:** Discussion was held regarding the request from Rob Thompson, DOG Fire Association to close part of the third lane on State St/Cty Rd F during their annual Spaghetti Dinner to be held on Saturday, April 11, 2015. Thompson stated this is our 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Spaghetti Feed that will be held on April 11<sup>th</sup>. Last year we parked trucks in the right lane and found out that we were suppose to ask for permission. We will be doing it as safely as possible. Beseler stated I have talked to Haass and he sees no problems. Bjorklund clarified that is three lanes through there. Yes was stated. Motion Rochford/Bjorklund to allow DOG Fire Association to close part of the third land on State St/Cty Rd F during their Spaghetti Dinner that will be held on April 11, 2015. No further discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Bjorklund/Durand to approve a Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License for the Dresser Lion's Club for the sale of fermented malt beverages at the DOG Fire Annual Spaghetti Dinner to be held on April 11, 2015. Rochford asked do they have certified operators. Gilbert stated yes the Fire Department has two that they annually renew with the Village. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

### **ACTIONS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Discussion was held in regards to amendments to Ordinance Section 13.13 Private Well Abandonment and Section 13.131 Private Well Operation Permit. Laux stated there has been some confusion on what is included in Section 13.131. That was a specific addition to the code early in 2014 when the Village had a request from Trap Rock to upgrade their facility install bathrooms and sink a well. We needed to have a way to deal with that so we created 13.131. The trade off with this is since this location was in corporate limits, but over ½ mile from a water line the intention was to accommodate their request for a well and at the same time address the concerns in the Village regarding a location that is not currently served by municipal water. The other sections are outdated. I reviewed the sample that the committee looked at and it combined two sections. Rather than approve the draft as is tonight there are a number of items to look at. A couple of the references need to be cross checked. I can have a version ready for final board consideration and adoption at the April meeting. Take the existing Ordinances and amend them so they are up to speed with DNR updated code.

Discussion was held in regards to a Final Cross Connection Control Program for the Village of Dresser. Jacobs stated you have the final copy in your packet. We have gone through this several times and made some changes. This is our final proposal to the board and unless you see some additional input we are looking for approval. Laux stated you could do a Resolution, it is not a formal Ordinance, it is a document – Administrative Code. Laux continued I have reviewed it and it looks fine. Motion Bjorklund/Moberg to approve the Final Cross Connection Control Program for the Village of Dresser. No further discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

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Public Works Report from Steve Jacobs: February 1 -28, 2015. Jacobs stated this is the first report I have given to the board so I would like to give a brief explanation. The combined hours are for me and Mike including overtime. During the summer you may have special projects listed. Pretty much this time of the year when we are not snow plowing we are in training mode. We are trying to get all training done this winter. Next month there are not a whole lot for jobs – the exhaust fan for the sewer plant needs to be pulled, parts ordered, and repaired. We think it is just the electric motor. Bjorklund asked how are you tracking these hours. Jacobs stated they are broke out on the time cards and I keep track. So these are pretty accurate. Yes was stated. Are there any other questions. Jacobs stated if you want something changed on the report let Beseler know. This is the first time around and he will let me know.

**FINANCE:** Motion Rochford/Bjorklund to approve the monthly Vouchers #34257 - #34321 Totaling \$442,290.31. Roll Call Vote was taken. All members of the board present voted yes. Motion Carried.

Motion Bjorklund/Rochford to accept the recommendation from the Finance/Personnel Committee to renew the 2015 Employee Dental Insurance with Guardian. Rochford stated with the renewal package the rates are on page 3 and they are the same, so we are staying with the same plan. If there are any other questions let me know. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Discussion was held in regards to the recommendation from the Finance/Personnel Committee to approve a 3 year agreement with Appraisal Services – 2016 being the hybrid revaluation year and the following two years are normal maintenance years. Beseler stated we have heard from the Auditors, from Gene Johnson, and the State of WI that we have fallen out of line in property valuations. Johnson brought several options to the committee. There is the paper one where you treat everyone the same or there is a full valuation that can be done where you go and visit every house. Johnson has proposed a combined approach. He currently has adequate records for the Village, so he wants to continue updating his pictures and visit the homes that he feels changes have happened to them. We would do a hybrid revaluation to bring us back into compliance with the State of WI. We are currently climbing back up on our own, but we are not where we need to be fast enough for the State of WI. The committee felt this was a good proposal. The rate structure would be \$9,800.00 for 2016 and then \$5,000.00 for 2017 and 2018. He would start late in 2015 and 2016 would be a late Board of Review. You can see that we did not go out for bids on this, but anybody who would bid does not have our records so the cost would be higher since they would be starting at the beginning. Motion Bjorklund/Durand to accept the recommendation from the Finance/Personnel Committee and approve a 3 year agreement with Appraisal Services – 2016 being the hybrid revaluation year and the following two years are normal maintenance years. No further discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**LIBRARY:** The Library Board minutes from the February 9, 2015 meeting were handed out by Rochford. You can read what has been happening. Linda is back at work and things are going OK right now.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** The Building Inspector Report for February 2015 was presented to the board. Wert included annual numbers for the board.

Update was given by Kuusisto regarding the Osceola Ambulance Meeting that was held on February 19, 2015. Besides the normal things there are a couple of fun things happening. They are looking to formally form a Friends of the Osceola Ambulance to be working on fundraising. Also they will be having a 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Anniversary Party this summer.

**PUBLIC WELFARE:**

**PLAN COMMISSION:**

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**OTHER BUSINESS:** Motion Rochford/Moberg to accept the Finance/Personnel Committee's recommendation to designate the Ledger/Standard Press as the 2015 Official Newspaper for the Village of Dresser. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Bjorklund/Kuusisto to appoint Bryan Raddatz and Luke Loescher to the Zoning Board of Appeals and to renew all terms for existing members effective March 1. Beseler stated Bjorklund was on there prior to her being on the board so we have pulled her name off and Vaala has recently passed away. No further discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Rochford/Nelson to proclaim Arbor Day as Friday, April 24, 2015 – Program to be held at the Dresser Elementary School. Bjorklund stated I think spring when I think Arbor Day. Beseler stated I will help plant the tree again this year. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Reminder that all Dog Owners are to license their Dogs by March 31, 2015 – Forms available in Clerk's Office if needed. Beseler stated at this time out of 139 Dogs in Dresser only 44 are licensed. We would appreciate it if the residents would take care of their dog license.

Spring Election to be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2015. If you are not available on Election Day remember you can vote Absentee. Contact your Clerk.

Monthly update from Village President, Bryan Beseler: First you remember us working with Lakeland Communications to locate the Sewer Main. We sent them a bill and they have not paid. Laux and I are reviewing whether to pursue further action. We have not heard from their attorney at this time. Second the Town of Osceola is having a meeting tomorrow night to consider pursuing a Boundary Agreement with the Village of Dresser. If want their side of the scoop you may want to go to the meeting. They had let me know that this was going to be on their agenda. Third next month we will have a revision to Chapter 2 of our Code of Ordinances to address public comments/pre registered topics. Fourth at this time we have no annexation request.

**APRIL AGENDA BUSINESS:** Discussion may happen regarding a Boundary Agreement. Do we want to pursue. This would be a dual Plan Commission to discuss the boundaries. It is a long process that can't happen over night. The State of WI says it will take up to 18 months to complete.

**NEXT MEETINGS:**

Library Board Meeting, Monday, March 9, 2015 at 6:30 PM  
Plan Commission Meeting, Monday, March 16, 2015 at 7:00 PM  
Village Board Meeting, Monday, April 6, 2015 at 6:30 PM  
DOG Fire Association Meeting, Thursday, April 16, 2015  
Osceola Ambulance Meeting, Thursday, April 23, 2015

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion Rochford/Bjorklund to adjourn at 7:12 PM. All in Favor. Motion Carried.  
Jodi A. Gilbert - Village Clerk *These minutes have not been approved.*