

**VILLAGE OF DRESSER  
VILLAGE BOARD PROCEEDINGS**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Village Board meeting was held on Monday, March 7, 2022 in the Municipal Office - 102 W Main Street. Jodi Gilbert, Clerk/Treasurer called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Gilbert called for nominations to appoint a chairperson for tonight's meeting since Village President Bryan "Fatboy" Raddatz was not in attendance. Motion Bjorklund/Varner to nominate Darren Peterson to chair the Board Meeting. Gilbert called for any other nominations to chair the Board Meeting. No other nominations were made – Gilbert closed the nominations. Gilbert called for a roll call vote to appoint Darren Peterson as chairperson for tonight's Board Meeting. Bjorklund -yes, Varner – yes, Joe Peterson – yes, Darren Peterson – yes. Kuusisto – yes. Gutzmer was Absent. Motion Carried. Darren Peterson is Chair for tonight's Board Meeting. Darren Peterson called for Roll Call: Darren Peterson, Joe Peterson, Grace Bjorklund, Elina Kuusisto, and Yvette Varner were present. Bryan "Fatboy" Raddatz and Jeff Gutzmer were absent. Attorney Paul Mahler – Bakke Norman Absent. Also, present were Jodi A Gilbert-Clerk/Treasurer, Matt Koch-Public Works, Ryan Haass-Police, Anne Schaffer, and Mary Jo Evans-Inter County Leader. Salute to the Flag was given.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion Kuusisto/Varner to dispense with the reading of the minutes. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Bjorklund/Varner to approve the minutes of Village Board Meeting, February 7, 2022. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING #1 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT – PUBLIC FACILITIES PROGRAM**

1. The CDBG Citizen Participation Public Hearing #1 scheduled for March 7, 2022 has been cancelled due to change of Official Newspaper for the Village of Dresser. At the February board meeting the Official Newspaper was changed from the Inter-County Leader to the Osceola Sun. The Dresser Citizen Participation Plan has the Inter-County Leader listed as the official newspaper.
2. Motion Bjorklund/Kuusisto to amend the Village of Dresser Citizen Participation Plan for the Community Development Block Grant Program changing the wording in the Section Notice of Hearings from "in the Inter-County Leader" to "in the local newspaper as designated by the Village Board each year". All in Favor. Motion Carried.
3. Motion Kuusisto/Joe Peterson to set the date and time for the public hearing for the CDBG Citizen Participation Certification for Public Hearing #1 for April 4, 2022 at 6:30 PM. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:** Darren Peterson called for Citizen Comments. Darren Peterson called for Citizen Comments. No comments were made. Darren Peterson closed Citizen Comments.

**PREREGISTERED:** Discussion was held regarding the request from Anne Schaffer to use the Dresser Community Hall for Fitness and Yoga Classes at the Monday through Friday Village Resident fee up to 3 hours of \$40.00 instead of the Monday through Friday Non-Resident fee up to 3 hours of \$60.00. Schaffer stated I live on 113<sup>th</sup> and I am requesting the resident fee of \$40. At the \$60 fee there is not enough money to teach here in Dresser. This has been a great opportunity for the people of Dresser. Bjorklund stated we worked really hard to update the contract for the Hall. I am afraid of setting a precedent right out of the gate if we change what we just established. We worked on this for about 3 months and reviewed contracts from surrounding areas and looked at what they were charging. How often are you using the Hall? Schaffer stated I am hoping for Tuesdays and Thursdays in April if it is open. I hope to be

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outside in May. Darren Peterson stated if we reduce the fee for her, we will have to reduce the fee for everyone else. Schaffer stated that is the part that frustrates me I know that I am not technically in Dresser but we have a Dresser address. I don't feel that I am a non-resident. We are a small Village and people talk – if we reduce the fee for you others will be asking to have the fee lowered for them also. Darren Peterson stated it is too bad if you are in there for only an hour. Bjorklund stated we need to stick to the contract that we just established. Kuusisto stated I totally understand but these technicalities come up and we need to stick by things. Darren Peterson called for a motion. Agenda item died for no motion being made.

Motion Bjorklund/Joe Peterson to approve the request from Allied Emergency Services Inc. to close part of the third lane on State St/Cty Road F and to use Tables from the Community Hall and Chairs from Cold Storage during their annual Spaghetti Dinner to be held on April 9, 2022 or to use the Dresser Community Hall for a drive-thru dinner in the event of another outbreak with COVID. No other discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Joe Peterson/Varner to approve a Temporary Class “B” Retailer’s License for the Dresser Lion’s Club for the sale of fermented malt beverages at the Allied Emergency Services Inc. Spaghetti Dinner to be held on April 9, 2022. No other discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**FINANCE:** Motion Kuusisto/Bjorklund to keep Lisa Haines on staff as a consultant for the Parks and to hire Barb and Lee Williamson to work in the Parks. Bjorklund stated that Barb & Lee are currently employees of the Village and they are cleaning the hall. Barb formerly took care of the parks. Lisa is such a wealth of information, but she doesn't have the time for the parks. The Williamson's will be very good at it. They will be working at the same rate of pay that they are getting for cleaning the hall. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Bjorklund/Varner to approve monthly Voucher/Payroll Checks #40916-#40999 Payroll \$15,804.01 plus Vouchers \$425,843.26 for a Total of \$441,647.27. No other discussion took place. Darren Peterson called for a Roll Call Vote. All members of the board present voted yes. Motion Carried.

Motion Bjorklund/Kuusisto to approve the appointment of Denise Whiting as the new Agent for Dresser Food and Liquor’s fermented malt beverage and intoxicating liquor license. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Joe Peterson/Bjorklund to approve an Operator’s License – To Sell Fermented Malt Beverages and Intoxicating Liquors for Ashley Foss and to deny an Operator’s License for Jason Nelson based on the failure of Mr. Nelson to disclose his complete criminal background. Varner stated he didn't disclose everything on his application. Kuusisto stated I usually want to encourage people and give them a 2<sup>nd</sup> chance but he didn't disclose everything. Joe Peterson stated I agree I am all for second chances but I am not comfortable with this. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Reminder that Job Applications for the Public Works Position are due March 16 2022. Gilbert stated we have one application at this time.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Update – Minutes were presented to the Village Board from the Joint Sewer Committee Meeting that was held with the Village of Osceola on February 8 2022. Bjorklund stated we attended this meeting with the Village of Osceola. We went thru the current

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contract and amendments. Ben had drawn up a draft contract that we went thru step by step. Things in red are the things that were added. It was a good meeting. Everyone that was there participated. Ben has made these changes and the new document has been sent to Attorney Paul Mahler along with the old contracts and sewer ordinances. At this point we have not heard from the Attorney. We have not set another meeting date yet. After the committee has reviewed the Attorney's legal opinion this document will come back to the board.

Motion Kuusisto/Joe Peterson to approve the hiring of Comfort Systems to provide and install a new hanging heater for the Cold Storage Building located at 115 Central Avenue S in the amount of \$3,393.00 to be paid from Capital Outlay Building Furnaces/Air Conditioning 10-57000-640. Koch stated we had some issues with the current heater last year. The Budget for 2022 is attached. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Varner/Kuusisto to approve using Lindus for the Window Replacement at the Dresser Municipal Office Building – estimate presented was in the amount of \$16,235.59. The Village did receive 2 quotes one from Lindus and one from Indianhead Glass. Bjorklund stated there is a much better warranty with the Lindus estimate. The Lindus estimate also includes money for replacement of any rotten wood. No other discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Update WWGoetsch has installed the 2 New Aurora Model 653A-SF 4x4x9A Vertical sewage pumps at the State Street Lift Station at the approved cost of \$50,138.00. Koch stated the old pumps use to pump about 6 hours a day, but the new pumps are now pumping 4 hours a day. A big improvement. These pumps are being paid for with the American Rescue Money.

Motion Bjorklund/Varner to approve the purchase of 55 gallons of Hydraulic Oil for the Pay Loader from Midwest Machinery in the amount of \$1,147.85. Koch stated if one fitting comes off you can use 5 gallons just like that and the stores are not open at night or on the weekends. We don't want to run out during snow plowing season. The loader hydraulics uses this special oil and the front and back uses the old oil. Peterson asked do you have a pump. Koch stated yes, we have one pump that should fit. It will save us a lot of money by buying 55 gallons. It should last a long time. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

The Public Works Monthly Report February 2022 was presented to the Board by Koch. We do have residents running water. The new concrete is done at the shop and the outside drain will be done in the spring. Bjorklund clarified you are using the iPads for diamond maps. Koch stated yes and Rob has put in a lot of sewer stuff into diamond maps.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** The Building Inspector Report for February 2022 was not available. Gilbert stated no permits have been issued so far in 2022.

The Police Department February 2022 report was presented to the Village Board. Haass stated the monthly numbers are in your packet and I attended a conference on WI traffic control. I am required to have 24 hours of training a year and this conference gave me 20 hours.

Reminder that all Dog Owners are to license their Dogs by March 31 2022 – Form available on the Village of Dresser Web Page or in the Clerk's Office.

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**LIBRARY:** Presentation of the Library Board Minutes from the February 14, 2022 meeting. Kuusisto stated the library is open. We are still not doing little story time. There is an advertisement in the new Polk County Visitor Guide. We are looking to do summer reading with the SCF Little Saints. Leann’s performance review was given. Bjorklund stated I believe you received a donation – do you know how it will be spent? Kuusisto stated she did not know. A resident gave a donation of \$1,000.00. Kuusisto stated things are looking good.

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

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

**OTHER BUSINESS:** Motion Kuusisto/Bjorklund to proclaim Arbor Day as Friday, April 29, 2022 – Program to be held at the Dresser Elementary School. No other discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Board of Review – WI Statutes 70.46(4) – One voting member from each local Board of Review must attend a training session approved by the WI Department of Revenue each year before the board’s first meeting – Who will be taking the training for 2022. Bjorklund stated she could attend an in-person training if that is required. Varner stated I would be willing to watch a video. Gilbert will check into options for training and discuss with Bjorklund and Varner. Training will need to be completed before May.

Spring Election to be held on Tuesday, April 5, 2022. Polls Open 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

Monthly update from Village President, Bryan “Fatboy” Raddatz. Raddatz was absent so no update was given.

**APRIL AGENDA BUSINESS FOR CONSIDERATION:** Nothing was stated.

**NEXT MEETINGS:**

Library Board Meeting, Monday, March 14, 2022 at 6:30 PM

Finance Personnel Committee Meeting, March 23, 2022 at 6:00 PM

Village Board Meeting, Monday, April 4, 2022 at 6:30 PM

Allied Emergency Services Board Meeting, Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 6:00 PM

Osceola Ambulance Board Meeting, Wednesday, May 11, 2022 at 6:00 PM

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion Bjorklund/Kuusisto to adjourn at 7:12 PM. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Jodi A Gilbert - Village Clerk/Treasurer

These minutes have not been approved.