

**VILLAGE OF DRESSER  
VILLAGE BOARD PROCEEDINGS**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Village Board meeting was held on Monday, May 7, 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: Karen Andrie, Elina Kuusisto, Wayne Moberg, Richard Durand, Grace Bjorklund, Jeff Gutzmer and Bryan “Fatboy” Raddatz were present. Also present Attorney Tim Laux, Jodi A Gilbert-Clerk/Treasurer, Arik Mahler, Robert Thompson, Ryan Haass, Carmen Brian, Sheena Malm, Brian Reilly, Chris Hetland, Tanya Borg, Joyce Tesch, Gene & Sharon Hendricks, Erik Evenson, Cassie Peterson, and Robert Curtis. 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/Moberg 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, April 2, 2018. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Andrie/Moberg to approve the minutes of the Public Works Committee Meeting, April 18, 2018. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Durand/Gutzmer to approve minutes of the Special Village Board Meeting, April 18, 2018. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES:** Motion Kuusisto/Bjorklund to approve all Committee and Board/Commission Appointments. No discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:** Raddatz called for any citizen comments. Joyce Tesch, Vice President of the Osceola Historical Society read the following: “I want to open a line of communication between the Osceola Historical Society, Truhlsen Chiropractic and the Village of Dresser. We, OHS & Truhlsen Chiropractic, are again putting on a Youth/Novice Adult Duathlon this year, July 28, 2018. We would again like the use of orange cones and maybe a few of the old picnic tables from the Soo Line Depot area.” Rob Curtis from 220 Horsmann Ave made a statement, but did not submit anything in writing. Sharon Hendricks read the following: “A Formal Complaint to the Dresser WI Village Board. This letter is concerning Ryan Haass, our police officer for the Village of Dresser who was driving home from Tippy Canoes bar and restaurant in Osceola WI. According to Fox 9 news, Ryan Haass ran into the ditch and left the scene of his accident and did not report his accident. According to Fox 9 news the tow truck driver thought that he had better call the police to report that he was going to tow Ryan Haass’s vehicle out of the ditch. Here we are again; Dresser WI is in the public’s limelight for bad integrity less the integrity from our own police officer. Our police officer is supposed to be an example for the rest of the citizens. We do request that the board give this situation of events to the Citizens Review Police Committee for them to review this event. Thank you for your time, Eugene & Sharon Hendricks.” Raddatz called for any additional citizen comments. Nothing was stated. Raddatz closed citizen comments.

**PREREGISTERED:** Carmen Brian thanked the Village Crew and the Fire Department with all of their help with the Annual Easter Egg Hunt that was held at the Dresser Hall. We had 95 kids and had plenty of food and books. I received a lot of positive feedback. We are ready to do it again next year.

Discussion was held regarding a request from Carmen Brian to have the Village pay for a newspaper Ad in the Advertiser in the amount of \$35.60 for the Annual Garage Sales to be held May 10-12, 2018.

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Andrie stated this Ad was already run in the newspaper. Bjorklund stated this was included in the budget. Motion Bjorklund/Kuusisto to approve paying \$35.60 for an Ad in the Advertiser. Any further discussion. Raddatz stated I am against it – I don't see how the Village proper is benefiting. Carmen Brian stated she already paid for the Ad. Bjorklund stated this is a community event. We need to support those people who work on these types of events. Raddatz called for a vote. Raddatz voted no. All other board members voted yes. Motion Carried.

Sheena Malm stated we had over 80 people attend the picnic last year. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual. It is nice to have the area closed off so we don't have to worry about the kids running all over the place. We failed to include the use of the Village Barriers to close the road. I believe Officer Haass alerted emergency services in case 911 were called and they had to come that way. Raddatz asked if there were any other questions for Sheena. Nothing was stated. Motion Andrie/Moberg to approve the request from Sam & Sheena Malm to temporary close Roosevelt Drive from the south corner of the driveway at 413 Roosevelt Drive to the north corner of the driveway at 440 Roosevelt Drive on Thursday, June 21, 2018(Rain Date June 28, 2018) from 4:00 PM to 9:00 PM for a Neighborhood Block Party and to use Tables and Chairs from the Dresser Community Hall. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Brian Reilly, Ehlers was present to discuss the sale of the Bonds for the Long Term Financing. Reilly reviewed the document – May 7, 2018 Sale Day Report for Village of Dresser WI \$1,425,000 General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2018A. The public purpose of financing was for the Village's 2018 Street Improvement Program, refunding the 2007 Bonds, and extending the 2018 Interim Notes. There has been a lot of work leading up to this point. You will be asked to adopt a Resolution for the Sale of the Bonds tonight. The bids came in this morning. We worked on structure and this had gone out for competitive proposals. Originally we went out for \$1,450,000.00. We were able to reduce the size down to \$1,425,000.00. We got 5 bids. The bidders were ones that we usually see plus a couple extra. The results were very favorable. You can see the range of the bids. Low bid was 3.4806% and the high bid was 3.7525%. An interest difference of \$39,234.00. Originally we were thinking 4% so we are below that original estimate. Exhibit 1 – left side shows total repayment for the bonds. Right side was the same as the presale report showing where they are getting paid back from. We are not extending the term on the refinancing. There is the cost of funds calculations. We were able to reduce the size of the issue by \$25,000.00. You are also not paying interest on that amount. Total Principal and Interest preliminary amount was \$2,031,747.00 and the final amount is \$1,964,488.00. Exhibit 2 – This shows the cash flow savings. 3<sup>rd</sup> party savings on administrative costs. The other agenda item – is the Resolution issuing the sale of the bonds to Bernardi Securities, Inc. – are there any questions on this document. Raddatz asked a quarter spread doesn't seem like much. Reilly stated actually that is quite a wide spread when looking at bond sales. Bernardi wanted the bonds and has people who want to buy them. They know the market. We like it when it is a competitive market. A ¼ point is quite large. The bonds are tax free at the Federal level, but not at the State level. No other questions were asked.

Resolution #05-2018 Resolution Providing for the issuance, sale, and delivery of \$1,425,000 General Obligation Corporate purpose Bonds, Series 2018A, of the Village of Dresser, Wisconsin; Establishing the terms and conditions therefor; directing their execution and delivery; creating a debt service account therefor; and awarding the sale thereof. Motion Kuusisto/Bjorklund to move Resolution #05-2018 into immediate consideration. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Durand/Moberg to pass and approve Resolution #05-2018. Any discussion. Andrie stated can I ask due to the situation that people are

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loosing property – have they been informed of this prior. Are we taking away property from people? This project is all in the right away. There is a 50 foot easement and Curb and Gutter is in the right away. Evenson stated we may have to ask some residents for an easement for their driveways. If they don't sign the easement we will only go back to the right away line and the driveway may not match the old driveway. There are no special assessments. Laux clarified there is no revenue coming in from special assessments. Nothing else was stated. Raddatz called for a Roll Call Vote. All board members present voted yes. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Raddatz/Gilbert signed the Bid Form and returned it to Brian Reilly with Ehlers.

Discussion was held regarding a proposal from Tanya Borg – Farm, Feral & Stray that the Village of Dresser designate a small piece of property as a community cat shelter area. Borg stated a couple of years ago I came to the Village of Dresser and 36 other communities and explained our program. We are all volunteers. We address stray and feral cats. There are 1,000's of them out there. At this time the Cat is the number one pet in America. People love cats and they are wonderful until they populate. Our program raises money to pay veterinarians to spayed and neuter and give rabbies shots to cats. We lend out traps. The cats do need people. You don't see them during the day, but they are there. So many cats we trap are not re-homed and we can't move them from the area. There are just not enough places for them. We are introducing to the municipalities that you are responsible for strays in the state statutes. We are suggesting a small piece of property that can't be used for anything. These cats don't care. We would be supplying housing units and feeding platforms. This would help to reduce the mess – people are going to feed the cats. We are proposing getting a couple of shelters and a small spot to put them. They will not be a nuisance. We can monitor for health issues. You can tell by the tip of the ear whether they are a cared for cat. Volunteers will know. If some are friendly we can find it a home. Cats have been relocated 14 miles away and they will travel back. People don't want them killed. Humane societies have been killing them. We need to stop the reproduction. The community members will then have a place to bring a cat. We only ask for a donation. There are waivers of liability for the volunteers. The volunteers take on that liability. Bjorklund asked what size of property are you looking for. Borg stated I don't know. The units are for 2 -3 cats. We shouldn't need for more than a quarter of a block. We don't feed overnight. They will run. There are right now a couple of places in St. Croix County. The areas are not owned by the municipality. Bjorklund asked is this area fenced. No they will come and go. We believe there are 8-10 cats in Dresser. The public wants to see cats treated fairly. Raddatz stated these houses only hold 2-3 cats. The biggest one we have is for 6 cats. The Shelter area is there when they need it. They will use it. They will come back and feed. Kuusisto stated you would keep them consolidated in one area. Trap in that area. Rabbies would be given. How do you booster? Studies are out that you don't have to give a booster until 7 years. The life span is 5 years. Gutzmer stated what is the liability with the workers. Borg stated very small. Gutzmer stated I was part of the unpleasantness in St Croix Falls with over 400 cats in one house. We had to have firefighters treated. There is a public health risk. Cassie Peterson stated there is a huge difference in feral cats versus cats in a house. Gutzmer stated these cats are coming and going. Peterson stated I am feeding the cats. One is going to have kittens. She is only 8 months old. I have fed her between 7 to 8 months. Andrie is there a spot in the Village – not having them close to people's homes is a tough thing. I lived in Phoenix and they had a cat problem. My friend did what you did. Andrie continued if we set up a spot what is going to keep them there. If they have food they will come back - this is the best that we can do at this time. Peterson stated I will help feed them, but I need no more pets. I don't want to have a situation like that was in St Croix Falls. We are here to help them. Andrie asked do you have a spot in mind. Remember

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that they are doing rodent control. People get a kitten and then they won't take care of them. We have all summer to work on this. Raddatz asked where does the board want to go with this. Kuusisto stated I am in support of this. There is no liability and it only sounds positive. Even though it is not going to contain them. They are not going away. If we could find some piece of property. Andrie stated it can't be next to homes. Raddatz stated this should go to committee. We need to look at the Ordinances and see what we can and can not do. I would suggest sending this to the public welfare committee. Motion Raddatz/Kuusisto to send this to the public welfare committee. No further discussion took place. All in favor. Motion Carried.

**LIBRARY:** John Wolfe the Library Director was not present. The Library Board Minutes from the April 9, 2018 meeting were in the board packets for review.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Update was given on the Horsmann/Peterson Street Project. Evenson stated last Monday we had the preconstruction meeting with all of the utilities and the contractor. We went over the project and schedule and had a community walk thru. We discussed with the residents that the utilities will be installed up to the right away. Any utilities from the right away to the house would be the homeowner's responsibility. Now would the time. A1 has a tight schedule and hope to start by the end of June and they want to stay on the main line only. A local plumber can work with the homeowner and A1. WE Energies the gas company is looking at replacing some main and services to houses in the next week or two. If WE Energies goes to the house they have to take care of the yards. Are there any other questions. Nothing was stated.

Discussion regarding the State Highway 35 road improvements and the Cross Walk at the Intersection of Hwy 35 and Main Street was had. Raddatz stated we needed to submit an application for the cross walk. This came up last fall. They wanted us to remove the cross walk since no permit was ever pulled. We needed to apply for a new permit. We got it done and it was approved today. The Cross Walk will go into the Village Pizzeria parking lot on the west side and on the east side there will be a short sidewalk and then onto Main Street. There was money in last year's budget. Currently out on Highway 35 they have been out surveying – there is a project planned for 2020. There will be a Chip Seal this summer from DOT according to Jennifer Berg. With board approval we could get those ADA truncated domes installed. They are put in for the visually impaired. 30 linear feet of curb and gutter 230 sq ft of sidewalk. This will bring it up to specs. We will have to paint the sidewalk, but we will wait until after the chip seal. In 2020 we may have to paint it again. Bjorklund stated we talked about safe route to school grants. This is not in the right area. Andrie stated you got bids last year. How much is that? \$5,080.00 from J&S – it is dated August 2017 and they will honor that price this year. Andrie stated we are forced to do this by the state. Currently the Village is not legal and it is something we are mandated to do if we want a cross walk. There is a need – people crossing the highway. Raddatz stated I understand that this is a huge expense, but those domes are really expensive. Evenson stated they are now made of cast iron. These will last longer than the concrete ones. Evenson stated you can get them painted, but there is a natural color I like to use. Andrie stated we will have to repaint in 2020. Painting is not a huge expense. Our public works department can do that. Osceola does it once a year. They have the stencils. Mahler stated we can talk to Osceola about the special paint that's needed. Motion Bjorklund/Gutzmer to proceed with the improvements for the Cross Walk on State Highway 35 so that we are ADA Compliant and award the contract to J&S in the amount of \$5,080.00. Raddatz called for a Roll Call Vote. All members of the board present voted yes. Motion Carried.

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Discussion was held regarding the recommendation from the Public Works Committee to approve the 2018 Street Maintenance schedule and to approve the transfer of money from the water tower driveway account to the road maintenance account to cover the cost. Mahler stated at the last meeting we figured out what we needed. There are some roads that needed some attention. We got quotes and bids from contractors. Some questions have come up from the last meeting. Originally we were planning on doing some chip sealing. We need to take a different approach before chip sealing. On East Ave from Norlander to Ravine and East Ave from South Street to Town line we need to seal the cracks before we chip seal. I just got a quote from Fahrner and then next year we can chip seal. This quote is for more than what was originally planned. Raddatz stated the price to do East Ave north Norlander to Ravine is \$10,840.02. To do the chip seal that came in at \$8,895.00 plus \$1987.00 for a total of \$10,882.00. The question is so do you do the crack seal #1 for basically the same money of #1 and #2. #2 could wait until next year. Bjorklund stated I think we do one and get it done. We should do East Ave with the quote from Fahrner. We could put in some cold patch in the south end of East Avenue. Raddatz stated that the reason for this change is we know nothing about roads and we are learning as we go. Mahler stated we are waiting on your approval to move forward. We may be able to tie in the work with Osceola when they do their stuff. Raddatz asked do we move the actual amount we need from the water tower fund or do we just move the whole amount? Laux stated do we have a consensus on what the board intends in regards to the money situation. The projects need to be broken up. Approving a schedule is different from approving a bid. The committee intended that the board approve the bids. If that is the case this can be on next months meeting agenda. Andrie asked when did you want to start this. Mahler stated we didn't have a plan. Gilbert can put together the proper motions and the actual dollars can be cleaned up for the June meeting.

Discussion was held regarding repair work for the Water Tower. Evenson stated I got information on 2 firms that are engineers that specialize in water towers. We need to verify what work needs to be done. KLM Engineering and Dixon Engineering do tower inspection work. They also put together specs. Some of them do inspection work while the actual work is being done. Evenson explained his memo. KLM not Dixon based cost on Lane Tank report. KLM \$55,000 quote based on full exterior cost and Dixon is only on the partial. There will be additional cost for portable pressure tanks \$16,000.00. This way we don't have to run water constantly, which can be a serious concern. When looking at prices if we have to do a full containment that gets very expensive. The Village has gotten the life expectancy out of the current paint job. Evenson continued I would recommend staying with the engineering firm you pick to do the inspection for the rest of the engineering needs. We need hard numbers to move forward. Evenson stated I would approve the inspection and bring this back with a game plan. Do you want a 2<sup>nd</sup> opinion? Evenson stated we have worked well with both of them. They are both qualified. This would be a 2<sup>nd</sup> opinion on the work to be done. Dixon is by far \$30,000 grand cheaper. Durand stated we need to protect our water. Laux asked MSA doesn't do water towers? Evenson stated we only have one person out of Baraboo. Raddatz stated I think Dixon would be the way to go. Motion Andrie/Kuusisto to accept the preliminary inspection to be done by Dixon Engineering at a cost of \$3,520.00. No further discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Public Works Monthly Report: April 2018. Mahler stated Andrie Electric did the new disconnect for the F&A Well. Things were moved to the inside so now they are out of the weather. We plowed snow. We had water certification training in Plover WI and took our tests on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. The battery was bad in the Polaris Ranger so that got fixed. The new chairs/racks came and are assembled. Worked on the bids



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for the road maintenance. We had Arbor Day and planted a tree. Raddatz stated you will hear about your tests in 3-4 weeks. This coming month we will be fixing yards from snow plowing. Maintaining the parks - water fountains turned on and putting out the garbage cans. We have some shoulder work to do on some roads. Clark road from last year never got finished. We are also preparing for the Horsmann/Peterson project. Xcel has already moved the pole and light. Mahler continued we did our first brush chipping. Youth service day is May 11<sup>th</sup>. We will be getting ready to cut grass.

**FINANCE:** Discussion was held regarding the Landscape/Gardener position for the Parks. Raddatz stated I talked to a lady yesterday that may be interested. She asked for an application. At this time we have no other applications. Bjorklund asked if should run an Ad in the yellow paper. For 6 hours a week people are not going to come from very far. Andrie asked what about a high school student. They need to be self motivated and you may have liability issues with someone under the age of 18. Let's wait for the application.

Motion Durand/Moberg to approve the monthly Vouchers #37231-#37317 totaling \$42,053.86. Raddatz asked for any discussion. Andrie stated I would like to discuss the vouchers which are for \$42,053.86, but this doesn't include the payroll. We are missing this information. I would like to see this included in there. We should see the employees gross payroll and hours. With approving the vouchers they should be in here. Laux stated this is not a legal issue. It is a public record. Laux stated just do it. Do we do for next month? Andrie stated can I can get that from her. The voucher numbers are all right. We just don't have the detail. Laux stated you should approve the vouchers and payroll every month. Andrie stated we don't have the detail. There is a separate sheet that lays out the payroll. Can we approve the motion as presented in the agenda? Do we do a separate motion to approve payroll. You want to see additional payroll. That has not been provided to anyone. You have the right to see. Do we go ahead and approve the payroll amount with out needing detail at tonight's meeting. Andrie stated if it can be sent to me I can move forward. Roll Call Vote. All members of the board present voted yes. Motion Carried. Now we need a motion to approve \$25,921.21 Payroll. Motion Durand/Moberg to approve payroll at \$25,921.21. No further discussion. Roll Call Vote. All in Favor. Andrie stated I will get that information. Motion Carried.

Raddatz stated the Operator's License for Tianna McDermott was withdrawn.

**LICENSE RENEWALS:** Schedule of License Applications presented to the Board for review Gilbert stated that the applications have been mailed out, this will need to be publish, and the specifics will be at the June meeting for approval.

Jodi Gilbert, Clerk will be attending training through the Wisconsin Municipal Clerk's Association on May 10-11, 2018. Andrie stated I am going to training on Friday for the board.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Building Inspector Report was presented to the Board.

Motion Bjorklund/Moberg to approve the emergency repairs to the 2014 Dodge Durango Police Vehicle – Radiator repairs \$914.44. Haass stated the radiator had several leaks and there is money in the budget for it. No further discussion. All in favor. Motion Carried.

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Motion Raddatz/Gutzmer to approve repair to the 2014 Dodge Durango Police Vehicle – Siren Control Box with a cost not to exceed \$700.00. Durand asked if you would install yourself. Haass stated it depends on the wire harness. There may be no shipping cost. If we have to pay for installation it shouldn't be more than \$100.00. No further discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

The Police Department April 2018 Report was presented. The numbers are in front of you. Dog licensing has been addressed – I think every dog owner not licensed has received a letter. We are waiting on responses or at a point citations will be issued. The other category is the junk ordinance which is done every fall/spring. There is still a small group I need to review. Raddatz if there were any other questions. Nothing was stated. Is there anything else? Haass stated the following: This is directed to the Village Board and more importantly to the Village residents you represent. As the board was advised several months ago I was involved in an incident where I made several bad decisions. As a result I looked at my life and how I was dealing with several personal issues. I realized I was handling them in an unhealthy manner. I have sought professional help for this. I have removed it from my life and with continued help I hope that it will remain out of my life. This is the only public statement I will make in regards to this. If any individual board member or any individual village resident wishes to speak with me in regards to this or any other issue my office is always open.

Update from Allied Emergency Services Fire Meeting that was held on April 19, 2018. Durand stated the name has been changed. Bjorklund stated don't the bylaws have to be changed. They are looking to go from an association to a fire district. Bjorklund stated won't the lettering on the trucks have to be changed. I am still going to say DOG. What is happening with the construction on the new Alden building? Raddatz stated that is another issue. Bjorklund stated I thought it was starting.

Update on improvements to the Municipal Office Bathroom. Gilbert gave a memo to the board. The improvements have been made to the bathroom. The estimated cost to date is \$583.15. The budget for the project was \$1,000.00.

Update on chairs/racks for the Dresser Community Hall. Bjorklund stated there is still money in the budget. We need to decide if we should do more chairs or start looking at tables. This should go to the Finance Committee.

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

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

**OTHER BUSINESS:** Dresser Community Wide Garage Sales will be held Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup> – Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>

Public Works Department will be working with the St Croix Falls High School Kids for Youth Service Day on Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup>

Open Book will be held on Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM at the Municipal Office

A Burning Ban has been called by the Fire Department

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Monthly update from Village President, Bryan “Fatboy” Raddatz. I appreciate your patience with me while I am learning this position. The new Ambulance will be here the end of the week and blacktop will be done end of June.

**JUNE AGENDA BUSINESS:** Nothing was stated.

**NEXT MEETINGS:**

Library Board Meeting, Monday, May 14, 2018 at 6:30 PM

Osceola Ambulance Meeting, Wednesday, May 16, 2018 at 6:00 PM

Board of Review-Monday, May 21, 2018 6:00 PM – All Board Members required to attend

Village Board Meeting, Monday, June 4, 2018 at 6:30 PM

Allied Emergency Services Meeting, Thursday, July 19, 2018 at 7:00 PM

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion Andrie/Moberg to adjourn at 8:30 PM. All in Favor. Motion Carried.  
Jodi A Gilbert-Village Clerk                      These minutes have not been approved.