

**VILLAGE OF DRESSER
VILLAGE BOARD PROCEEDINGS**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Village Board meeting was held on Monday, November 5, 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: Elina Kuusisto, Jeff Gutzmer, Karen Andrie, Grace Bjorklund, Richard Durand, Wayne Moberg, and Bryan “Fatboy” Raddatz were present. Also present Attorney Tim Laux, Jodi A Gilbert-Clerk/Treasurer, Robert Thompson, Arik Mahler, Ryan Haass, Boyd Dosch, Ginger Sajna, and Gene & Sharon Hendricks. 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/Durand to dispense with the reading of the minutes. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Bjorklund/Moberg to approve the minutes of the Village Board Meeting, October 1, 2018. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Durand/Bjorklund to approve the minutes of the Public Works Committee Meeting, October 17, 2018. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Andrie/Moberg to approve the minutes of the Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting, October 22, 2018. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Raddatz stated that the Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting Minutes from November 5, 2018 are not completed at this time. The minutes will be on the December Board Meeting Agenda for review.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Raddatz called for citizen comments three times. No comments were made. Raddatz closed citizen comments.

PREREGISTERED: Boyd Dosch – Dresser Lion’s Club President – Discussion was held regarding the request from the Dresser Lion’s Club for a donation for the annual Santa Day to be held at the Dresser Community Hall on Saturday, December 8, 2018. Dosch stated that last year we had about 40 kids with parents. The numbers were down but we ran the event a little late in the month. This year we already have Santa lined up and we are ahead of the game. We are hoping parents will bring their kids to Dresser first instead of last. We are asking for a donation to support this activity. It usually costs us \$600.00 to \$700.00 for the event. Bjorklund stated in the past we have given \$300.00. Motion Bjorklund/Kuusisto to give a donation in the amount of \$300.00 to the Dresser Lion’s Club for the annual Santa Day to be held on December 8, 2018. This would at least cover half of the cost. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

FINANCE: Discussion was held regarding an Operator’s License – To Serve Fermented Malt Beverages and Intoxicating Liquors for Theodore Schonebaum. Raddatz stated he has quite a list. Gutzmer stated I don’t see anything that specifically excludes him. I do have some concerns about his address. Raddatz called for a motion on the Operator’s License. No motion was made.

Raddatz called for a discussion on the Vouchers/Payroll. Bjorklund asked if that is final payment to MSA. Gilbert stated no it is not. Motion Andrie/Gutzmer to approve monthly Vouchers/Payroll Checks #37785-#37872 Payroll \$16,024.67 plus Vouchers \$591,669.48 for a Total of \$607,694.15. No further discussion took place. Roll Call Vote. All board members present voted yes. Motion Carried.

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Update was given on the proposed 2019 Budget – Public Hearing will be held on December 3, 2018 at 6:30 PM. Bjorklund stated we met with the auditors just this afternoon. There is a handout on the table that I made up afterward for you to review on behalf of the committee. There are not a lot of changes in the revenues. The Village's assessed value is up and there is a new revenue line Personal Property Aid in the amount of \$7,072.00. Bjorklund continued so our expenses were quite a struggle. We put all of the requests into the budget and unfortunately we were over by \$67,874.00. We had to discuss what to fund and what not to fund. What main things to put into the budget versus several of the requested items we just could not fund. So we are at a balanced budget. The first page shows the Mill Rate (Per \$1,000 Assessed Valuation) at 9.371845. The change in taxes from the prior year is \$11.10 per 100,000 of value. This is a 1.2% increase. When you get your tax bill the mill rate includes the State, the County, WITC, St Croix Falls Schools, and the Village. These numbers are our share. Andrie stated there was a lot of give and take. I guess we decided that structure and roads were more important than the wish lists. The want lists had to go away. Andrie continued I have noticed in the newspapers that other Villages and Towns went up a lot more than ours. Bjorklund stated we tried to be conservative and fund the most demanding and long term items – it is hard to take from the LRIP and the Machinery Replacement. Raddatz stated everyone did a great job and I enjoyed our discussions and I thank Rob and Arik for their work on the budget since they were new to the process. Bjorklund stated you need to give credit to Officer Haass also he submitted his budget and gave input. The Public Hearing will be at the next board meeting where we hope to approve the 2019 budget.

Discussion was held regarding the Annual Holiday Open House. Bjorklund stated we don't have all of the volunteers yet. Last year we did this on a Wednesday, but this year we will do it on Monday, December 10th from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM. They are having Santa Day on December 8th and they will leave some of their decorations up for Monday. Dosch from the Lion's Club stated we can take things down after the 10th. Motion Bjorklund/Durand to have the Annual Holiday Open House on December 10th. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

The Final Audit on the Workers Compensation Policy for 7/24/17 to 7/24/18 was completed. The audit resulted in a refund of premium of \$2,260.00. No accidents or claims. Keep up the good work.

PUBLIC WORKS: Update was given on the Horsmann/Peterson Street Project. Mahler stated they were down last Thursday and wrapped up the punch list and everything is looking really good. Osceola swept the streets today. It is beautiful.

The 2018 Fall Clean Up/Waste Management Report was presented to the Village Board. Raddatz stated when you look at the big picture it is a good return on our investment. It keeps things out of the resident's yards. The cost is under \$1,500.00.

Discussion was held regarding the Dixon Engineering proposal for engineering and inspections for the Dresser Water Tower. Attorney Laux stated we are still negotiating. At this point I shouldn't really go into any more detail. Hopefully we will have information for the December board meeting. Laux stated I hope to at least have a recommendation.

The Public Works Monthly Report for October 2018 was presented to the board. Thompson read his report.

