

**VILLAGE OF DRESSER
VILLAGE BOARD PROCEEDINGS**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Village Board meeting was held on Monday, November 29, 2021 in the Municipal Office - 102 W Main Street. Bryan “Fatboy” Raddatz called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Roll Call: Bryan “Fatboy” Raddatz, Darren Peterson, Joe Peterson, Yvette Varner, Grace Bjorklund, Elina Kuusisto and Jeff Gutzmer were present. Attorney Paul Mahler – Bakke Norman Absent. Also present were Jodi A Gilbert - Clerk/Treasurer, Matt Koch-Public Works, Rob Thompson-Public Works, and Ryan Haass-Police. 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 Gutzmer/Darren Peterson to approve minutes of the Village Board Meeting, November 1, 2021. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Bjorklund/Varner to approve minutes of the Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting, November 8, 2021. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

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

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED 2022 VILLAGE BUDGET:

1. Announcement – Raddatz stated that these proceedings will be taped.
2. Raddatz called to order the Public Hearing and called for a Roll Call: Bryan “Fatboy” Raddatz, Darren Peterson, Joe Peterson, Yvette Varner, Grace Bjorklund, Elina Kuusisto and Jeff Gutzmer were present.
3. Raddatz called for announcement of publication – Inter County Leader November 10, 2021 and Posted/put on Web Page on November 11, 2021.
4. Presentation of the 2022 Budget. Raddatz stated the detail is in your packet. Bjorklund stated the minutes were lengthy, so I put together some of the highlights. Does anyone have any question on the highlights? Varner stated so there will be no spring/fall clean up. There is money in the budget for the leaves to be picked up, but yes there is no money for the residents to haul garbage. That is not in there. Bjorklund continued we were over by \$80,929.00. The committee worked with the CPA’s and they advised us on several things to balance the budget. The expenditure restraint limit is 3.6%. Some revenues were up and some were down. A 3% cost of living increase was figured in on such things as utilities. Raddatz stated the board needs to keep in mind that our new assessment has helped. The revaluation. Bjorklund stated we are setting up Fund 25 Capital Project Fund for short term borrowing – borrowing taken out for 12 months to fund street maintenance projects. Raddatz stated we did that last year and it worked very well. At a minimal cost. We take that expense out of the budget, so we can meet the levy limits and expenditure restraint limits. We are limited on the streets. Bjorklund stated we put money in the budget to put cement in the area of the shop floor that is still right now dirt. The other big thing is replacement of some of the windows in the municipal office. The committee had 5 meetings and Joe Peterson sat in on them and gave some input. It is a process to get to this point and it can be very confusing to start with.
5. Raddatz called for Public Comments - nothing was stated.
6. Motion Darren Peterson/Varner to adopt the 2022 Budget and set the Levy at \$504,035.00.

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7. Raddatz called for any further discussion on the 2022 Budget. Varner clarified is the plan to pay the short-term debt before 12 months. Yes was stated.
8. Raddatz called for any amendments or changes to the 2022 Budget – nothing was stated.
9. Raddatz called for a Roll Call Vote – All members of the board present voted yes.
Motion Carried.
10. Motion Bjorklund/Darren Peterson to adjourn the Public Hearing at 6:41 PM. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

FINANCE: Motion Darren Peterson/Joe Peterson to approve placement of all delinquent utility accounts and special charges in the amount of \$13,238.82 on the 2021 Tax Roll. Gilbert stated that last year we sent \$11,932.49 to the tax roll. This year there were 5 more properties. Bjorklund stated it hurts the utilities. These dollar amounts do include a 10% penalty that gets added on before sending to the county. We thought going to monthly billing would help. Darren Peterson there are some people who don't pay all year. Bjorklund stated the good thing is that we don't lose the money. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Bjorklund/Varner to set the 2021 Village of Dresser Mill Rate at .006681634. No other discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS: Motion Darren Peterson/Kuusisto to approve the Christmas Tree & Greens Recycling Program – Pick up in January 2022. Raddatz asked public works are you guys OK with this. Public works is OK with the program. Do you have any problems with wires? Overall no problems – sometimes with the new people in the Village. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Public Hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at 10:00 AM regarding the Application to request change in the Method of Cost Recovery for Public Fire Protection Charge.

Spring Election to be held on April 5, 2022. Nomination papers for Village Trustee positions can be circulated starting on December 1, 2021. Papers can be obtained from the Village Clerk Office. Jeff Gutzmer, Elina Kuusisto, & Darren Peterson are up for reelection. Notification of Noncandidacy Form due December 24, 2021.

Monthly update from Village President, Bryan “Fatboy” Raddatz. The weather has been nice so no snow plowing yet.

DECEMBER AGENDA BUSINESS FOR CONSIDERATION: Nothing was stated.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Village Board Meeting, Monday, December 6, 2021 at 6:30 PM
Library Board Meeting, Tuesday, December 14, 2021 at 6:30 PM
Village Board Meeting, Monday, January 3, 2022 at 6:30 PM
Allied Emergency Services Board Meeting, Thursday, January 20, 2022
Osceola Ambulance Meeting, Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at 6:00 PM

ADJOURNMENT: Motion Kuusisto/Gutzmer to adjourn at 6:48 PM. All in Favor. Motion Carried.