

**VILLAGE OF DRESSER  
VILLAGE BOARD PROCEEDINGS**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Village Board meeting was held on Monday, October 1, 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: Jeff Gutzmer, Karen Andrie, Grace Bjorklund, Richard Durand, Wayne Moberg, and Bryan “Fatboy” Raddatz were present. Elina Kuusisto Absent. Also present Attorney Tim Laux, Jodi A Gilbert-Clerk/Treasurer, Robert Thompson, Arik Mahler, Joyce Tesch, and Andrew Tighe. The InterCounty Leader, The Standard Press/Ledger, and The Osceola Sun newspapers were present. Salute to the Flag was given.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion Durand/Gutzmer to dispense with the reading of the minutes. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Andrie/Moberg to approve the minutes of the Village Board Meeting, September 4, 2018. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Bjorklund/Gutzmer to approve the minutes of the Public Welfare Committee Meeting, September 10, 2018. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Bjorklund/Andrie to approve the minutes of the Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting, September 12, 2018. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Gutzmer/Andrie to approve the minutes of the Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting, September 26, 2018. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:** Raddatz called for citizen comments. Joyce Tesch made a statement regarding cats. No other comments were made. Raddatz closed citizen comments.

**PREREGISTERED:** Joyce Tesch and Andrew Tighe were present from the MN Transportation Museum – Pumpkin Train Event to be held at the Depot on October 19, 20, & 21 2018. Discussion was held in regards to the request from the MN Transportation Museum for help from Public Works Department to unload pumpkins, use of picnic tables, use of tables/chairs, and orange cones.

Andrew Tighe stated I am on the Board of Directors. We hope to have help from the Village for this event. This brings a lot of people to Dresser. Were there any issues from last year that needed to be addressed? Thompson and Mahler from Dresser Public Works didn’t have any concerns. Durand asked did you have enough help last year. Tesch stated we were short on Friday. We are hoping to have more volunteers this year. Tighe asked is there anything that you need to know from us. Things ran pretty smooth last year. We will be having blacksmith demonstrations this year. Motion Raddatz/Andrie to have Dresser Public Works help to unload pumpkins, allow the use of picnic tables, tables/chairs, and orange cones for the annual Pumpkin Train to be held on October 19, 20, & 21<sup>st</sup>. No further discussion. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**FINANCE:** Motion Bjorklund/Gutzmer to approve a donation in the amount of \$300.00 to Allied Emergency Service Inc. for the annual Halloween Party to be held at the Dresser Community Hall on Wednesday, October 31, 2018. This is a wonderful event. We have the money in the budget and do a motion so Jodi has approval to pay it out. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Andrie/Moberg to approve Operator’s License – To Serve Fermented Malt Beverages and Intoxicating Liquors for Chase Heuer, Michele Zitelman, Jeffrey Schuler. Andrie stated I didn’t see anything that would be a concern. No further discussion. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

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Motion Bjorklund/Gutzmer to approve renewing the Village's Property Insurance with Municipal Property Insurance Company with a \$1,000.00 deductible and an annual premium of \$5,637.00. Premium went up \$535.00 dollars from last year. Bjorklund stated this will be considered in the 2019 budget. No further discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Vouchers/Payroll for discussion. Andrie asked about over time for Officer Ryan Haass. Overtime is computed hours worked over 40 hours. Haass also worked on a Holiday where overtime is paid. Andrie questioned whether the board's intent is to have him working on Holidays. Motion Bjorklund/Moberg to approve monthly Vouchers/Payroll Checks #37704-#37784 Payroll \$16,536.91 plus Vouchers \$135,899.23 for a Total of \$152,436.14. Roll Call Vote. No further discussion took place. All board members present voted yes. Motion Carried.

### **PUBLIC WORKS:**

Update was given on the Horsmann/Peterson Street Project. Mahler stated the first layer of blacktop, some of the driveways that are blacktop, and our blacktop patch were all done this morning. Restoration will be done the middle of this week. Hopefully in the next couple of weeks we will see the 2<sup>nd</sup> layer of blacktop. Al has to raise manholes/gate valves. Mail boxes will be put back in when they do restoration along with the street signs. Durand asked about having a children at play sign installed. Mahler stated they were there before so they are all ready to be put back up. Brand new signs for both streets. Gilbert stated she did receive a concern from resident on the quality of the dirt being put back into the yards. This concern was forwarded to Erik at MSA. They will be seeding with the restoration.

Discussion was held regarding State Highway 35 Curb/Gutter/Catch Basins. Raddatz stated we need to have a conversation on this. There use to be a contract that they maintained the highway. The county would do the maintenance. A couple of catch basins were fixed, but now they won't fix them. They recently chip sealed and because this area is getting redone in the future they haven't discussed it. They are looking at a center turn lane with traffic on the two outer lanes. Raddatz continued I went to St Croix and Osceola and inquired about who paid for it. In both communities it was paid for by the Village or City. Gilbert commented that we are a different situation because in those two communities the DOT only maintains the center 24 feet, but with the new center lane they are going to be running traffic from curb to curb. Raddatz continued so the curb is really bad especially on the west side. You seen the picture in the packet – we need to do a quick fix on this. How much do you want to fight with the state especially with winter coming? We may need to plan for the worst and hope for the best. It all needs to be replaced. There may be a new contract at some point. Andrie asked can we let this go right now. Raddatz stated I just wanted to give you some background on this. They are failing and you need to keep that in mind. The whole thing is bad – curb/gutter/catch basins. Raddatz continued this is just food for thought. Yes we need to do some more research. Need to keep this on the radar.

Discussion was held regarding Catch Basin Repair on South Street & Emergency Repair on Hwy 35. Raddatz asked if we have seen an estimate on the quick fix. Mahler stated no we have not. Raddatz stated we have two issues. First the catch basin on South Street just above the recent ditch repair. It has leaks and needs to be fixed. This was found within days of when we did the other repair. The ditch area is doing real well. It took the 6" to 7" inches of rain we got the other day with no issues. The cost to fix the catch basin is \$780.00. With that being said and since we would be getting some concrete do we do

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an emergency repair/patch on Hwy 35. We don't have an estimated cost yet. Do we approve up to an amount with the cold weather coming. If we argue with the state we may have a more serious problem on our hands. Raddatz stated I would suggest approval up to \$1,500 to fix both of these areas. Mahler stated the trip charge is figured into the first one so the second shouldn't be very much. This is if the board so desires. Motion Andrie/Durand to approve the \$780.00 to fix the South Street Catch Basin and then additional up to \$1,500.00 for a total cost to fix both. Durand asked where are we going to get this money. Andrie stated can't we make this decision and then discuss that. Bjorklund stated we have a meeting on October 22<sup>nd</sup> where we can look at it. This may just be able to come out of streets. No further discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Public Works Monthly Report – September 2018. Mahler read the report that was given to the board. Raddatz asked if we have an ETA on the new plow truck. The chassis was delivered on September 18<sup>th</sup> and it is expected to go to get built on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. It may be a month at the truck builder and then another 2-3 month after that to get it done. We won't see it until March/April 2019. I have mentioned this to the salesman at Universal so hopefully they can start building and be ready when it is delivered. Raddatz stated we are going to have to be careful with the equipment we currently have. Mahler stated I picked up the plow for the loader at BPS and the 2<sup>nd</sup> one is in the shop and hopefully done next week. The loader plow looks great.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** The Building Inspector Report for September 2018 was presented to the board. No questions or comments were made.

Police Department September 2018 Report was presented to the board. No questions or comments were made.

Update from the Allied Emergency Services, Inc. meeting that was held on September 25, 2018. Raddatz stated it was a short sweet meeting. Kevin Christensen had all of the numbers lined up. This was the first time going through the Fire Dept Budget. I wasn't sure what to expect with the new building. He has budgeted for a full payment even though we may not have to make one. He did a great job. There are not a lot of extras. They are going to have to run lean until the Dresser Station is paid off. They have projected their budget out to 2021. Durand stated we had looked at this before we started this project. Raddatz stated I was expecting a huge increase and it was not. Bjorklund stated we have put the \$27,997 in the 2019 budget.

Update from the Osceola Ambulance Meeting that was held on September 12, 2018. Raddatz stated with the financials the new ambulance was brought into the numbers and now showing depreciation. That was the only major change. Employee recognitions will be given out.

Discussion was held regarding the Osceola Area Ambulance Service Amended Municipal Corporation Contract. Raddatz stated like I said last month it is great that we are running in the black for the first time in a long time. Raising that per capita really helped us. Also with a new ambulance we didn't have to have all of the money for maintenance. Bjorklund asked are you putting money away for replacement. Raddatz stated now with the 501c3 Friends of the Ambulance they are a really important tool for the future. We can go after a lot of grants. The new contract is in front of you – the only changes are the 3 highlighted points. The per capita is going up \$1. Bjorklund stated we did figure this

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increase into the 2019 budget. Motion Bjorklund/Gutzmer to authorize the Clerk and Village President to sign the Osceola Area Ambulance Service Amended Municipal Corporation Contract with an increase in per capita to \$12.00. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**PUBLIC WELFARE:** Motion Andrie/Bjorklund to accept the recommendation from the Public Welfare Committee to add a web page link to Farm, Feral, and Stray on the Dresser Web Page. Andrie stated once it is out there it is just there. Any updates they put on there web page people will be able to see if they use the link. Durand asked Gilbert if this would take some time. Gilbert stated no this is a simple thing to do. Bjorklund asked the board is this going to be closure to this issue. Yes was stated. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**LIBRARY:** The Library Board Minutes from the September 10, 2018 meeting were reviewed by the board. No questions or comments were made.

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

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Information from the Wisconsin Elections Commission was presented to the Board. Bjorklund stated elected officials can continue to be election inspectors.

Fall General Election to be held Tuesday, November 6, 2018 – Polls Open 7:00 am to 8:00 pm. If you need to register to Vote or would like to request an Absentee Ballot please contact the Village Office.

Monthly Update from Village President, Bryan “Faboy” Raddatz. Raddatz stated I have been in discussion with Joel from the Village of Osceola about the sewer rate fluctuations in 2015 and 2016. They are doing some more research and there may have been some possible human errors. They are going to double check and then we will sit down and talk. With the Horsmann/Peterson project done it will be interesting to see if this helps the infiltration. We will probably need a couple of years to see.

**NOVEMBER AGENDA BUSINESS FOR CONSIDERATION:**

Raddatz stated we may a discussion on the 2019 Budget.

**NEXT MEETINGS:**

Library Board Meeting, Monday, October 8, 2018 at 6:30 PM

Allied Emergency Service, Inc. Quarterly Meeting, Thursday, October 18, 2018 at 6:00 PM

Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting, Monday, October 22, 2018 at 1:00 PM

Finance/Personnel Committee Budget Meeting, Monday, November 5, 2018 at 1:00 PM

Village Board Meeting, Monday, November 5, 2018 at 6:30 PM

Osceola Ambulance Meeting, Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 6:00 PM

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion Andrie/Gutzmer to adjourn at 7:20 PM. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Jodi A Gilbert-Village Clerk

These minutes have not been approved.