

**VILLAGE OF DRESSER
VILLAGE BOARD PROCEEDINGS**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Village Board meeting was held on Monday, October 4, 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, Ryan Haass-Police, Richard Durand, Wayne Moberg, Sharon Kelly(arrived late) and the Osceola Sun Newspaper. Salute to the Flag was given.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion Bjorklund/Varner to dispense with the reading of the minutes. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Kuusisto/Varner to approve minutes of the Village Board Meeting, September 7, 2021. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Bjorklund/Darren Peterson to approve minutes of the Closed Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting, September 15, 2021. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Darren Peterson/Gutzmer to approve minutes of the Open Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting, September 15, 2021. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Daren Peterson/Joe Peterson to approve minutes of the Board of Review, September 21, 2021. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Bjorklund/Varner to approve minutes of the Finance/Personnel Committee Meeting, September 29, 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.

PREREGISTERED: Nothing on the agenda.

FINANCE: Motion Bjorklund/Varner to approve monthly Voucher/Payroll Checks #40538-#40588 Payroll \$14,406.68 plus Vouchers \$34,325.32 for a Total of \$48,732.00. Raddatz called for a Roll Call Vote. All members of the board present voted yes. Motion Carried.

Motion Darren Peterson/Kuusisto to approve renewing the Village's Property Insurance with Municipal Property Insurance Company with a \$1,000.00 deductible and an annual premium of \$6,234.00. Raddatz stated it's a \$150.00 increase. No other discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Discussion was held regarding the recommendation from the Finance/Personnel Committee to close the Municipal Office to the public on Wednesdays. Bjorklund stated we had this pre-Covid to give Jodi some time to work uninterrupted. She is again overloaded with back up work and year end is coming. All the budget work is here right now. The volumes are greater with all the meetings. Bjorklund continued we may have some expenses to cover the door. Public Works is looking at options. The arm on the door is an issue. Motion Kuusisto/Gutzmer to accept the recommendation to allow Clerk Jodi Gilbert to close the Municipal Office on Wednesdays. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Bjorklund/Darren Peterson to approve a \$300.00 donation to Allied Emergency Services Station 1 for the annual Halloween event to be held at the Dresser Community Hall on Saturday, October 30, 2021 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Raddatz stated this has been a yearly donation. The 4H Club will be helping decorate the front of the Community Hall. All in Favor. Motion

Carried.

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Motion Darren Peterson/Kuusisto to approve the contract with Appraisal Services for Property Assessment Annual Maintenance for 2022-\$5,700.00, 2023-\$5,800.00, and 2024-\$5,900.00. Raddatz stated we had a big expense this past year with the reevaluation. We are back to normal rates. Bjorklund stated they are a good company. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS: Motion Kuusisto/Varner to accept the updated September 28, 2021 Dresser Water Utility Emergency Response and Chlorination Plan. Thompson stated we had our annual water survey where the DNR visit with us this past April. The DNR noticed it hadn't been updated in quite a while. We have now updated it especially all of the contacts. We are expected to keep this up to date. No further discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Bjorklund/Joe Peterson to approve the purchase of cutting edges from H&L Mesabi Company in the amount of \$2,977.00. Payment would be \$2,500.00 from 10-53240-320 and \$477.00 from 10-53240-340. No further discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Raddatz/Bjorklund to approve the estimate from Meyer Tree Service in the amount of \$650.00 and to do a budget amendment moving \$650.00 from Tennis Court Operating 10-55460-270 to Urban Forestry Prof Service/Tree Removal 10-56100-210. Raddatz stated this is across from the Fire Hall. They cut for a whole day on the one side already and this will finish the other side off. We will be looking to put more money into the 2022 budget for tree removal. No further discussion took place. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Bjorklund/Joe Peterson to approve the cleaning out of the culvert end wall on the corner of State Street and Polk Avenue by the Depot – approval of estimate from J&S Contracting in the amount of \$720.00 and to do a Budget Amendment moving \$720.00 from Spring/Fall Clean Up 10-53410-380 to Ditch Cleaning 10-57000-440. The water here drains across the road and goes south. State Street by the railroad tracks. At the end of the catch basin there should be a ditch. Koch stated last winter they kept freezing up because the water couldn't drain. No other discussion took place. Raddatz called for a vote. All in Favor. Six board members voted yes. Darren Peterson abstained. Motion Carried.

The Public Works Monthly Report September 2021 was presented to the Board by Koch. Report was given to the board. Thompson and Haass did a nice job on the Municipal Office Building Stucco. Everlast is still working on manholes – they are having problems with one to get it to seal. Raddatz asked did you get your new plow adjusted so the wing goes down. Koch stated no it is not done yet. Are they coming out to fix? Koch stated I will probably be able to do it.

PUBLIC SAFETY: The Building Inspector Report for September 2021 was presented to the Board. There have been 15 permits this year.

The Police Department September 2021 report was presented to the Village Board. Raddatz asked if there were any questions for Haass. Nothing was stated.

LIBRARY: Presentation of the Library Board Minutes from the September 13, 2021 meeting. Kuusisto stated the Beanstack program has been very successful and we are just waiting on final numbers. There may be some improvements happening to comply with accessibility standards. We will be discussing some ideas to participate in the Pumpkin Train Event.

PUBLIC WELFARE: Nothing on the agenda.
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PLAN COMMISSION: Nothing on the agenda.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Update was given on the redistricting for the Polk County Supervisor District Plan/Municipal Wards. This will put Dresser into District 7 instead of District 8. This all has to be completed by October 15, 2021. Resolution #06-2021 was read to inform the public. Resolution #06-2021 Resolution to Establish Ward Boundaries Following the 2020 Census and to also Establish the Common Polling Place for the Village of Dresser. Motion Darren Peterson/Varner to move Resolution #06-2021 into immediate consideration. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Darren Peterson/Varner to pass and approve Resolution #06-2021. Raddatz called for any other discussion. Nothing was stated. Raddatz called for a Roll Call Vote. All members of the board present voted yes. Motion Carried.

Discussion was held regarding a Holiday Open House and/or Holiday Newsletter. Bjorklund stated we didn't have the Open House last year due to Covid. I have contacted the ladies that have helped in the past and they don't think we should have it again this year. We may look to do something next year. Last year we drafted a Holiday Newsletter and if everyone is OK with it, we can do this again this year. Bjorklund can work with everyone and put it together for this year.

Resolution #05-2021 Resolution Providing for Attendance at Meetings by Phone or Internet. Motion Kuusisto/Bjorklund to move Resolution #05-2021 into immediate consideration. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Motion Darren Peterson/Kuusisto to pass and approve Resolution #05-2021. Raddatz called for any discussion. Bjorklund stated we have discussed this in the past. I don't want to see people making a habit of this. We need everyone's voice present at the meetings. This will allow us to check in by phone. We probably won't be doing any zoom. If 4 people are out we can't have a meeting. Bjorklund stated this would be good for family emergencies. Kuusisto stated we need to keep adapting and changing. I don't think it will be used much. This would allow a board member to vote. What about running a meeting? Raddatz stated I think that would be too hard. The board would have to elect a chair for a meeting if the Village President is not in attendance. Raddatz called for a Roll Call Vote. All members of the board present voted yes. Motion Carried.

MSA Professional Services on behalf of the Village of Dresser has received approval from the WI Department of Administration to move forward with an income survey for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application for First Street (West Avenue to East Avenue).

Monthly update from Village President, Bryan "Fatboy" Raddatz. We have not had a Sewer Meeting with Osceola. We have finally seen a draft audit. We have not paid the quarterly bills. We are waiting until we have had the meeting with them. We are waiting for a response from Osceola. This meeting is stated in our contract. The History Channel will be back in the Village filming at the Depot on October 13, 2021.

NOVEMBER AGENDA BUSINESS FOR CONSIDERATION: Nothing was stated.

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NEXT MEETINGS:

Allied Emergency Services Special Board Meeting, Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at 6:00 PM

Library Board Meeting, Monday, October 11, 2021 at 6:30 PM

Finance Personnel Committee Meeting, Wednesday, October 13, 2021 at 6:00 PM

Allied Emergency Services Board Meeting, Thursday, October 21, 2021 at 6:00 PM

Finance Personnel Committee Meeting, Wednesday, October 27, 2021 at 5:30 PM

Village Board Meeting, Monday, November 1, 2021 at 6:30 PM

Finance Personnel Committee Meeting to finalize 2022 Budget, November 8, 2021 at 5:30 PM

Osceola Ambulance Meeting, Wednesday, November 10, 2021 at 6:00 PM

ADJOURNMENT: Motion Bjorklund/Darren Peterson to adjourn at 7:14 PM. All in Favor.
Motion Carried.

Jodi A Gilbert - Village Clerk/Treasurer

These minutes have not been approved.