

**VILLAGE OF DRESSER  
PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE MEETING  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2022**

The meeting was called to order by Elina Kuusisto at 5:30 PM. Meeting was held at the Municipal Office. Roll Call was taken: Grace Bjorklund, Jeff Gutzmer and Elina Kuusisto. Also present was Jodi A Gilbert – Clerk/Treasurer. No other public or press was in attendance.

Discussion was held regarding the creation of a new Ordinance Pertaining to Replacement of Lead and Galvanized Water Service Laterals. Bjorklund stated we have sample Ordinances to model ours after. The draft is a combination of Mosinee, Sheboygan and Sun Prairie. The “Whereas Section” is Resolution wording that we usually don’t have in our Ordinances. It was proposed to start the draft at the wording “Now Therefore” and take out all of the whereas. Usually when creating an Ordinance, you have the purpose of the Ordinance listed. Bjorklund reviewed the document she presented to the committee. Is there a section in the draft on what happens during a Construction Project and how it would be handled. Some of the samples have a financial section. The committee liked wording in the Sheboygan sample. Bjorklund initially I didn’t think we should have that in there. We don’t have a program. We don’t have money to offer any grants. There is an option to place the charges on the tax roll. Bjorklund questioned whether we have to go to the PSC if we create that option. Do we offer to a homeowner a zero-interest loan something like a special assessment. This option to offer a loan to people is to update and replace a lead line only. Gutzmer stated if we find 10 homes are we set up to provide this during a construction project. We will need to check with the PSC if want to offer loans for lead service line customer side replacement. The Green Bay Sample has conditions of financial assistance. 0% for 5 years. Must be satisfied upon sale of the property. Can place on the tax roll. We could add this in after the Replacement Requirement. Section D was reviewed and the committee agree to take out this wording. Penalty section the Village Attorney can help with that dollar amount. Section F is pretty standard language. Section G Gutzmer stated this is on the utility side when not under construction. Sheboygan has definitions in their Ordinance. Some basic definitions might not be a bad idea: curb stop, customer side, distribution side. Bjorklund stated I can make the changes we have talked about. We are not ready to go to the board yet. This should go to the engineer/attorney before going to the board. Bjorklund stated I will put in these changes and send you a copy. This will go to the engineer and attorney before we sit down again to meet. 1. Take out the whereas... 2. Put in some definitions 3. Engineer review 45 days 4. Financial Assistance 5. Take out application/schedule Section D 6. Attorney review the penalty section.

Discussion was held regarding the creation of a new Ordinance Pertaining to Short Term Rentals. Gilbert stated the Village is getting calls on whether we have any rules regarding short term rentals. An example of a short-term rental would be an Air B&B. Bjorklund called around for sample Ordinances to review. The wording is good in the Siren and Polk County samples. Turtle Lake and Rice Lake don’t have Ordinances. Osceola and St Croix Falls have Bed and Breakfast Ordinances with room tax. St Croix Falls and Amery use the conditional use process. Bjorklund stated when I talked with Polk County Zoning, they stated we would be better having our own Ordinance. Current rentals in Dresser would need to have State of WI Tourist License, a Sellers Permit, and a Permit from Polk County Health Department. Bjorklund stated we will need to decide what zoning areas this would be allowed. Take a look at the sample section (4)

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List of requirements. 4c take out the wording “hired by the applicant”. A Conditional Use requires a public hearing for the neighbors. Your next-door neighbor is doing a short-term rental. Do you want to know about it. Bed and Breakfasts have different rules. Rentals can’t exceed 174 days per year. They would need to comply with Sign Ordinance. The Section called “If using a Property Manager” – how far can they be from the property. The committee continued to review Bjorklund’s Draft. Under Section 5d - take out the required floor plan. Leave the parking section. The Village Attorney will need to check standards for short term rentals. Any fee for a license should be listed in the Ordinance. Siren has a sample Application for License. Gilbert asked the committee should Dresser put an Ordinance of this type into place. Gutzmer stated I think we should for the protection of Dresser especially since we are getting calls already on this. Kuusisto agreed yes, we should put something in place. If we do our due diligence the neighbors won’t be complaining. The committee agreed to send the Short-Term Rental Draft Ordinance to the Village Attorney before they met again on this topic.

Any other items for discussion – nothing was stated.

Motion Bjorklund/Gutzmer to adjourn at 7:13 PM. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Jodi A Gilbert, Clerk/Treasurer

These minutes have not been approved.