

REGULAR VILLAGE OF BIRON BOARD MEETING APRIL 11, 2011

The April 11, 2011 Regular Board meeting was called to order by President Jon Evenson at 6:30 p.m. at the Biron Municipal Center. The meeting was properly posted according to Wisconsin State Statutes.

PRESENT: Trustees: Tammy Steward, Susan Carlson, Tim Krause, Dan Muleski and Bob Walker. June Siegler was pre-approved absent. Also in attendance were Public Works Supervisor Rick O'Keefe, Treasurer Pam Witt, one interested party and 3 residents.

MINUTES: Minutes were reviewed from the Regular Board Meeting and Public Hearing held on March 14, 2011. **Motion** Krause to approve the minutes from the public hearing held on March 14, 2011, seconded Steward. M.C. **Motion** Muleski to accept the minutes from the March 14, 2011 Regular Board Meeting, seconded Walker. M.C.

APPROVAL OF EASEMENTS FOR UTILITIES ON ABANDONED AREA OF BEAVER STREET: Our attorney, Chris Toner from Ruder Ware, reviewed the easement and felt it was in order. **Motion** Muleski to approve the easement agreement pertaining to utilities on the abandoned section of Beaver Street, seconded Carlson. M.C. by Roll Call vote. This agreement allows access to our crew for maintenance of utility infrastructure.

FINANCE & FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE: Chairperson Walker reporting. **Review All Bills, Non Lapsing Accounts and Journal Entries for the Village, Water and Wastewater Departments** – Committee reviewed bills, non lapsing accounts and journal entries and found them to be in order. **Motion** Muleski to pay all bills for the Village, Water Utility and Wastewater Departments as recommended by the Finance & Budget Committee and approve all journal entries, seconded Walker. M.C. **Motion** Evenson to accept the Finance and Budget Committee report, seconded Carlson. M.C.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Pam Witt reporting. The report of expenditures and receipts was reviewed. The checking account balance on hand March 31, 2011 is \$207,916.92. The balance includes total receipts of \$6,536.35 and expenditures of \$332,748.91. Investment accounts through March: Village Non-Lapsing Fund CD's \$364,668.02. **Water Utility:** Checking \$116,408.78, Money Market \$32,985.56, Non-Lapsing Fund \$70,087.70. **Wastewater Department:** Checking \$37,765.52, Non-Lapsing Fund \$14,303.19. **Motion** Muleski to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded Steward. M.C.

PUBLIC WORK'S COMMITTEE REPORT: Chairperson Steward reporting. **Public Works Supervisor's Update** – Grass & Leaf pickup is scheduled from Monday, April 11, 2011 through Friday, May 13, 2011. Brush will be picked up the last week of the month from April through October. It is considered the last week of the month if any day of the month is within that week. Marsh Road was graded but needs fill. Street sweeping will begin soon. The trucks by the mill pulp yard are pulling the mud onto South Biron Drive. The mill will be contacted. **Motion** Walker to accept the Public Works Committee report, seconded Muleski. M.C.

WATER UTILITY COMMITTEE: Chairperson Krause reporting. **Water Superintendent's Update** – The last shipment of new meters have been received and the new meter head installation is going well. There are approximately 100 meters to install yet. On April 18th the pump at well #2 will be pulled. The water mains and hydrants will be flushed during the months of April, May, and June. The new meters can detect 24 hour usage of water which would signify a leakage. There were about 25 residents contacted with excess usage. **Motion** Carlson to accept the Water Utility Committee Report, seconded Muleski. M.C.

PUBLIC PROPERTY, SAFETY & RECREATION COMMITTEE: Chairperson Carlson reporting. **Review Request for Use of Hall for Benefit and Costs Associated With** – Prices for residents will stay in effect for this request - \$10.00 per hour on Friday and Saturday and \$20.00 on Sunday. **Public Works Supervisor Update** – The warning siren on the mill is not working but will be worked on. This siren is tied into the Wood County Emergency Management system and goes off when they activate it in an emergency situation. The trash receptacle and snuffer are here and placed in the front of the municipal center. **Motion** Steward to accept the Public Property, Safety & Recreation Committee report, seconded Krause. M.C.

WASTEWATER COMMISSION: Commission Member Steward reporting. *Note: The Waste Water Treatment Plant is operated & staffed by the City of Wisconsin Rapids. One member of the Village of Biron Board of Trustees is an acting member of the Commission.* - **Review Minutes from the April 6, 2011 meeting** - Minutes were distributed for review. There will be a lot of training on the new equipment this month at the wastewater treatment plant. Infiltration from our system is better due to the upgrades in the manholes. **Motion** Muleski to accept the Wastewater Treatment Commission report, seconded Evenson. M.C.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President Evenson reporting. **Update on Meetings** – Four meetings were attended. Sharon Schwab, Chairperson for the Town of Grant invited Evenson to attend to discuss the Memorandum of Understanding. A brief presentation of the project was given to the town board. A member of the Department of Transportation was also present and discussed the project. There is some concern by the towns involved, Town of Grant, Town of Plover and Town of Grand Rapids on the cost sharing of this project. The Memorandum of Understanding is silent on who will participate in the cost. Cost sharing on this project will be addressed in a secondary agreement. A meeting was also held with Lampert & Lee to discuss the engineering and bid documents. These will be reviewed and acted upon by the Plan Commission and then will be sent to the Village Board for approval. A meeting was held with Wood County Planning and Economic Development Committee to update them on the Business Park. A meeting will also need to be held with the Wood County Executive Committee to update them. Evenson met with Greg McDonald concerning the second phase on the Cold Storage Project. The original plans have changed somewhat and he is now considering a processing area. This will likely be a 2012 project and he will be looking at modifying his existing development agreement with the Village.

Tornado Awareness Information – There will be a statewide tornado drill held on April 14, 2011 at 1:10 P.M. This notice has been posted. **County Redistricting Process** – This will be referred to Plan Commission. The comprehensive plan is complete so meetings with the Plan Commission will be started again. **Homelessness Initiative Report** – This was distributed for review. **Motion to accept the President's Report** – Motion Muleski to accept the President's Report, seconded Steward. M.C.

New Trustee Doug Egge was introduced. His term of office will be from April 19, 2011 through April 16, 2013.

ADJOURNMENT: **Motion** Muleski to adjourn the April 11, 2011 board meeting at 7:30 p.m., seconded Steward. M.C.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra Eichsteadt, Clerk