

**VILLAGE OF BIRON REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES – JULY 10, 2017**

The July 10, 2017 Regular Village Board meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Jon Evenson at the Biron Municipal Center. The meeting was properly posted according to Wisconsin State Statutes.

**PRESENT:** Jon Evenson, Mark Honkomp, Bob Walker, Tammy Steward, Dan Muleski and Sue Carlson. June Siegler was excused. Also present: Public Works Supervisor Bill Vruwink, Treasurer Pam Witt, Bill Carpenter, Shirley Carpenter, Mike Schoenholz, Gary Phillips, Tom Haferman, David Gale, Jason Grueneberg and Rick Bakovka.

**MINUTES:** Minutes were reviewed from the June 12, 2017 Regular Board Meeting. **Motion** Walker, second Honkomp to approve the minutes as printed. M.C. Minutes were reviewed from the June 21, 2017 Annual TID Reporting Meeting with Joint Review Board. **Motion** Muleski, second Carlson to approve the minutes as printed. M.C. Minutes were reviewed from the June 28, 2017 Special Board Meeting. **Motion** Walker, second Honkomp to approve the minutes as printed. M.C.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Tom Haferman would like to relocate his building into the middle of his property on North Biron Drive and expressed interest in receiving water and sewer. Bill Carpenter expressed the need for lights on the fire department's boat. Fire Chief Dan Muleski said battery powered LED lights were purchased for the boat after the incident in June.

**FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE:** Chairperson Bob Walker reporting. Bills, non-lapsing accounts and journal entries were in order for the Wastewater Department, Water Utility and Village. **Motion** Evenson, second Walker to approve the June bills and journal entries. M.C. The committee approved a \$70.00 registration fee for the clerk to attend the pre-conference training session of the WMCA annual conference. The Joint Review Board meeting for TID was held June 21 in Pittsville with several other communities. Classic Development Corporation submitted projections for the proposed Bridgewater project. These projections have been shared with Ehlers Associates for the purpose of providing the Village Board with cash flow projections. **Motion** Muleski, second Honkomp to approve the Finance and Budget Committee report. M.C.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Treasurer Pam Witt reporting. The totals reported to the Finance Committee are: Receipts for June 2017 were \$11,554.78. Expenses were \$93,661.62. General checking account bills were paid on check # 19968-20023 with 6 auto pays to IRS, Deferred Comp and WRS for payroll deductions. A list of all June/July bills was included for the Board to review. Village Non-Lapsing Fund \$716,301.06. Utilities Checking \$176,237.15. Money Market \$463,150.00 Utility bills were paid on check # 3902-3916. A list of all checks paid for water & wastewater was included for the Board to review. **Motion** Honkomp, second Carlson to accept the Treasurer's report. M.C.

**REGIONAL ECONOMIC GROWTH INITIATIVE (REGI):** Rick Bakovka, President of REGI and Jason Grueneberg, Director of Wood County Planning and Zoning discussed with the village board possible action on the intersection of roads of the bicycle trail area.

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT:** None.

**LEGISLATIVE, ORDINANCE & ZONING COMMITTEE REPORT:** Chairperson Dan Muleski reporting. Applications were reviewed for operators/bartenders licenses. **Motion** Walker, second Muleski to approve all operators/bartenders license applications as presented. M.C. The communications tower contracts and agreements are all in order and will be finalized soon. **Motion** Carlson, second Walker to approve the Legislative, Ordinance & Zoning Committee report. M.C.

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT:** Chairperson Tammy Steward reporting. Hydra Kleen recently completed inspection of 7,500 feet of sewer piping across from the paper mill, Shore Acres Drive, and Buffalo Street. Major issues were found and the committee would like to go forward with the repairs with an estimated cost of \$41,000. Vruwink will get another estimate to be presented at a future Board meeting. The 2003 Dodge Dakota truck is in need of major repairs. The committee will be looking into replacing this truck. David Gale, Project Manager from Omni Associates gave a presentation of the proposed 2020 reconstruction of CTH U and Eagle Road. OMNI recommended changing the configuration of kidney island area to make the intersection perpendicular instead of curved. Options for this area were discussed. **Motion** Muleski, second Evenson to approve the Public Works Committee report. M.C.

**PUBLIC PROPERTY, SAFETY & RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT:** Chairperson Sue Carlson reporting. The crew will be installing the benches at Gateway Park when weather permits. **Motion** Evenson, second Muleski to approve the Public Property, Safety and Recreation Committee report. M.C.

**WATER UTILITY COMMITTEE REPORT:** Chairperson Mark Honkomp reporting. Fire flow testing hydrants was completed. There is low flow in the old part of the village. **Motion** Muleski, second Walker to accept the Water Utility Committee report. M.C.

**WASTEWATER COMMISSION REPORT:** *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.* Minutes from the June 7th meeting were available for review. **Motion** Evenson, second Muleski to approve the Wastewater Commission report. M.C.

**BIRON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Chief Dan Muleski reporting. The results of the fire flow testing were discussed. The Biron Volunteer Fire Department Community Picnic will be held at the Biron Municipal Center on Saturday, August 12th from 3 pm to 11 pm. There will be food and refreshments, a bouncy house for the kids and music from 7 pm to 11 pm. **Motion** Honkomp, second Walker to approve the Volunteer Fire Department report. M.C.

**PRESIDENT'S UPDATE:** Classic Development Corporation submitted projections for the proposed Bridgewater project. Ehlers Associates will be providing the Village Board with cash flow projections. **Motion** Walker, second Carlson to accept the President's report.

**ADJOURN:** **Motion** Honkomp, second Walker to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. M.C.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Arndt, Clerk  
Minutes taken by Nancy Mews, Utility Clerk

Approved by Biron Board of Trustees

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Jon T. Evenson, President