

REGULAR VILLAGE OF BIRON BOARD MEETING JULY 9, 2007

The July 9, 2007 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, June Siegler, Jan Gaber, Dan Muleski, Margaret Billman and Wayne Lambert. Also in attendance were Treasurer Joyce Komppa, Public Works Supervisor Rick O'Keefe, County Board Supervisor Tom Haferman, and Central Wisconsin Engineer Dave Grutzik.

MINUTES: Minutes from the June 11, 2007 board meeting were reviewed and changes to the minutes were discussed. Under Public Works Committee there was a sentence that needed modification to clarify intent as follows: Utility Extension for Van Slate.....If a commitment to build is not received within the next 12 months by both parties the assessment rate, ~~and/or~~ abandonment, and the Village commitment to sewer and water is null and void. will be subject to change. Also noted was a spelling error under Public Works Committee...Road Right of Way Discontinuance for Johnson Parkway – ...Committee will revisit the road discontinuance issue for all ~~plated~~ ~~platted~~ and not **Motion** Muleski to approve the minutes from the Regular Board meeting held on June 11, 2007 with changes as noted, seconded Gaber. M.C.

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE: Chairperson Siegler reporting. **Committee Chairperson Update:** Committee met at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, July 9, 2007 to review all bills for the Village, Wastewater Department and Water Utility. **Motion** Steward to pay all approved Village, Water Utility and Wastewater bills as recommended by the Finance Committee, seconded Muleski. M.C. **Policy for Trustee Meeting Pay –** Committee is establishing a policy for compensation for trustees. This policy will be the guidelines for all trustees both current and future to clarify when meeting pay can be taken. One item that will be incorporated into the policy will be that no pay will be given until the meeting is actually attended. Currently checks are written just prior to the monthly board meeting and trustees are paid for that current board meeting but the policy will address this. The policy will also address what meetings and duties the salary for the Village President will cover. **Motion** Muleski to accept the Finance Committee report, seconded Lambert. M.C.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Komppa reporting. The report of expenditures and receipts was reviewed. The checking account balance on hand June 30, 2007 was \$173,918.15 with June receipts of \$10,504.07. Expenditures were \$53,057.66. Investment accounts through June: Village Non-Lapsing Fund CD's \$258,689.25. **Water Utility:** Money Market 68,626.86, Non-Lapsing Fund \$221,146.18, Checking \$32,054.47. **Wastewater Department:** Non-Lapsing Fund \$10,457.79, Checking \$3,699.34. **Motion** Muleski to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded Billman. M.C.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE: Chairperson Steward reporting. **Committee Minutes and Chairperson Update on – Garbage Collection at 4-plex on South Biron Drive –** Currently this is grandfathered and we will continue to pick up the trash from the 4-plex. Committee will review if this practice should continue if a new owner takes over. **Platted but not constructed possible road discontinuance –** this is referred and committee will gather more information. **Supervisor's Update –** The roads with curbs and the bike path on 32nd Street will be swept within the next two weeks. An area of blacktop was patched on South Biron Drive. Committee will look into the driveway by Wellington Place to determine if anything can be done to assist in the drainage of water in that area. A compliment was given to the crew for their hard and good work. **Motion** Muleski to accept the Public Works Committee report, seconded Gaber. M.C.

WATER UTILITY COMMITTEE: Chairperson Muleski reporting. **Chairperson Update and Water Superintendent's Update –** The DNR will inspect the well on July 16th. The floor drain at #3 well has been fixed. The exploratory auger borings were done for the possible new well site. Six areas were tested and the water quality is now being tested. The current well is 55 feet deep and the test areas are 51 – 52 feet deep. **Motion** Billman to accept the Water Utility Committee report, seconded Siegler. M.C.

PUBLIC SAFETY, WELFARE & RECREATION COMMITTEE: Chairperson Gaber reporting. **Committee Minutes and Chairperson Update –** A new copier with scanner capabilities for the office has been referred to another committee meeting for review. The water fountain at the park has been repaired. The \$500.00 donation for the 4th of July fireworks has been made and this contribution will be incorporated into future budgets. Sealing of the blacktop at the park both in the parking lot and the tennis court area will be looked at in the future. Committee will hold a meeting to discuss the Cranberry Breakfast on July 18th at 5:15 p.m. Committee discussed the shelter house at the park and the type of bathrooms that would be incorporated into the plans. **Supervisor's Update –** U.S. flags have been purchased and were placed at the park for the 4th of July. They will be on display for each appropriate holiday. The refrigerator at the municipal center needs a

circulating fan replaced. The part is on order. **Motion** Muleski to accept the Public Safety, Welfare & Recreation Committee report, seconded Steward. M.C.

LEGISLATIVE, ORDINANCE AND ZONING COMMITTEE REPORT: Chairperson Billman reporting. **Committee Minutes and Chairperson Update** - Committee met and did a walk through the mobile home park. The area is being cleaned up but there are many unlicensed dogs and a barking dog at trailer #13. A second letter of warning will be sent to trailer #13 and the next step will be a citation. Committee is still working on having the dead trees taken care of along the river bank. The contractors in the area due to the storm damage have been contacted about getting solicitors permits and building permits. Only two of the contractors, Sun Roofing, John Sramkoski owner and Universal Builders of America have obtained solicitor's permits. **Motion** Muleski to accept the Legislative, Ordinance and Zoning Committee Report, seconded Gaber. M.C.

ENERGY COMMITTEE REPORT: Chairperson Billman reporting. **Resolution Authorizing Consent to Wisconsin Rapids Waterworks & Lighting Commission for the Provision of Electric Service within the Village** – The resolution was discussed. **Motion** Lambert to support the proposed resolution in concept and authorize the Village's legal counsel to communicate the details to Water Works and Lighting Commission, seconded Billman. M.C.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT COMMISSION REPORT: Commission Representative 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.* The minutes from the June 13, 2007 meeting were reviewed. An addendum to the design service contract with Foth was approved. Some residents requested that trees be planted as a buffer around the plant. This will be considered at another meeting. Ocean Spray held a ground breaking for their plant expansion and will be employing an additional 50 people. Commission members approved a change in the status of a part-time relief operator to full time. **Motion** Muleski to accept the Wastewater Treatment Commission report, seconded Gaber. M.C.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President Evenson reporting. **Resolve Appointments to Finance Committee** – A question was raised as to the makeup of the Finance Committee. It was originally thought that this was a two member committee with the third person coming on for Budget Committee but the ordinances state all committees should be a three person committee. The third person that comes on for Budget Committee will fulfill that position on Finance. **Resolution Opposing Assembly Bill 207 & Senate Bill 107 Concerning Proposed State Video Franchising Legislation** – Jim Walsh, River Cities Community Access, requested support of opposition for these bills. Jim was unable to attend the meeting to explain the details of the resolution so this is referred to the next board meeting. **Review Permitting of Wind Turbine Systems** – A short questionnaire was received from Seventh Generation Engery Systems on how the board permits or would permit wind turbines and the board interpretation of WI Statute 66.0401, Regulation relating to wind and solar energy systems. The survey will be responded to. **Motion** Evenson to refer the model ordinance to Legislative, Ordinance and Zoning Committee for review, seconded Gaber. M.C. **Motion** Lambert to accept the President's report, seconded Muleski. M.C.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion Lambert to adjourn the July 9, 2007 board meeting, seconded Steward. M.C.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra Eichsteadt, Clerk