

This Regular Board meeting was called to order by President Mire at 6:30pm

Roll Call:

Physically Present – Robertson, Fiems, DeMarlie, Fowler, Polenske.

Absent – Rankin

Others Physically Present – Clerk Housenga, Tara Walters of MSA Professional Services, Ben Barber, Attorneys Aurthur Eggers & James Zmuda, Public Works Director Bump, Sherrif Hart, 6:55pm Officer Maciolek entered and was released by Volencia at 7:02pm. Volencia left the meeting at 7:11pm.

Others Virtually Present – None.

A quorum was physically established.

CONSENT “Omnibus” Agenda: Fiems motioned to approve 11/12/2024 Regular Meeting Minutes, 11/25/2025 Committee of the Whole Minutes, 12/2024 Monthly Bills totaling \$75,008.09 and Treasure’s Report for 11/2024; Robertson seconded. All present board members voted yes, motion passes.

PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: Tara Walters of MSA Professional Services presented to the board a professional services agreement for the preliminary engineering report need to apply for IEPA’s SLRF Program. The scope included in the agreement labeled MSA Project Number: 00443039 includes project administration and client meetings, existing facilities evaluation, proposed alternatives, as well as the preparation of the preliminary engineering report. Total cost for services to be executed by MSA in Project Number: 00443039 was \$18,500.00. Mire requested to table the matter due to the absence of Rankin. Mire had a conversation with Rankin in which it was verbally expressed concerns of costs and benefits of carrying through with the required engineering for the SLRF program verses the interest costs of a traditional loan. The matter will be revised again at the January 2025 Regular Board Meeting. Walters excused herself from the meeting at 6:40pm.

PRESIDENT – Mire: Fiems motioned to approve a holiday bonus in the amount of \$300.00 to employees Barber, Bump, Hoodjer, Housenga, Meier. Polenske seconded the motion, all present board members voted yes, motion carries.

Mire also provided dates for budget planning and budget passaged for next fiscal year.

POLICE REPORT: Report was presented. Sherrif noted shop with a Sherrif program this coming Thursday evening. Hart also expressed concerns that occurred during the recent car breaks in and burglaries. He stressed the locking of cars, garages and dwellings.

ATTORNEY – Califf & Harper P.C.: Nothing to report at this time.

FIRE REPORT – Chief Carey: No reports as presented. Mire also thanked the Fire and Sherrif’s Departments for their assistance in Santa coming to town.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Bump provided his report verbally.

INFRASTRUCTURE (Public Works, Water, Sewer & Garbage) – Robertson: Nothing to report at this time.

PARKS, RECREATION & CEMETERY – Polenske: Nothing to report at this time.

VIDEO GAMING, COMMUNITY RELATIONS & EVENT PLANNING – Fowler: Fowler reported gaming revenues received this last month were \$1,746.07. QC Mart had their IGB inspection and are expected to start gaming in January.

Fowler reported attendance at the Senior Thanksgiving Luncheon was approximately 88 people with carry out meals too. will be held on November 20th, 2024 from 11am to 1:30pm. Mire thanked the local businesses that donated to the event for their contributions, Griffith’s Auto Stop, QC Mart, Next Home, The Edge and Bar 84.

Fowler also reported around 100 children were able to see Santa when he was in town on December 7th, 2024.

ORDINANCE, LICENSES, BUILDING, PLANNING & ZONING – Rankin: A proposed ordinance was provided to the board members imposing a 1% sales tax on groceries. Robertson motioned to pass the presented ordinance amending Title I, Chapter 5 of the

Administrative Code by inserting Article 6 – Municipal Grocery Service Occupation Tax. Fowler seconded them motion, all board member in attendance voted yes, motion carries.

A Committee of the Whole meeting was scheduled for December 13th, 2024 at 4:30pm to vote on the determination of the zoning request from Buffalo Bridgeview Inc. and VanGuilder Revocable Trust. In the future the commercial zoning classifications may be changed to accommodate the current state of business.

FINANCE – DeMarlie: DeMarlie authorized a donation to Riverdale education foundation in the amount of \$200.00.

Discussion pertaining to Intergovernmental Fund Loans did not take place as the Village Auditor has failed to provide requested information pertaining to the matter once again this month.

PERSONNEL & PUBLIC SAFETY – Fiems: Nothing to report at this time.

ELECTIONS – Mire: Mire noted the municipal election packet return deadline has passed. Additionally, Mire thanked everyone for those that returned their packets.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

With nothing further to discuss, Fiems motioned to adjourn this Regular Board Meeting at 7:37pm. Fowler seconded the motion, all members of the Board concurred.

Missy M. Housenga
Village Clerk