

## **ST. CLOUD VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**July 11, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.**

FOLLOWING THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE ST. CLOUD VILLAGE BOARD WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY ERIC HEIMERMANN AT 7:00 P.M.

ALL BOARD MEMBERS WERE PRESENT.

FOLLOWING READING OF THE JUNE MEETING MINUTES, ERIC CALLED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES.

RYAN GEBHART MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS READ. DAVE SCHRY SECONDED.

ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MINUTES WERE APPROVED AS READ.

### **UTILITY:**

DAVE AND JEFF REPORTED A FUSE HAD BLOWN DUE TO THE STORM, WE ENERGIES DID REPAIRS AND BRIAN ZEHREN REPLACED THE FUSE AND DID A RESET. THE BROKEN CURB STOP AT SALCHERTS HAS BEEN REPAIRED BY BEST PLUMBING. SIGNS FOR MARSH AND CHURCH STREETS WILL BE INSTALLED SOON BY FOND DU LAC COUNTY.

THERE WAS SIGN DAMAGE AT RIVERSIDE PARK. THE POLES WERE THROWN IN RIVER AND SIGNS FOUND AT THE LIFT STATION. THE SIGNS HAVE BEEN REPAIRED AND REINSTALLED.

THERE WAS A HUGE WATER LOSS AT A CEDARVIEW RESIDENCE AND THE RESIDENT REPORTEDLY HAS HAD PLUMBING REPAIRS DONE TO RESOLVE IT. BRUCE FROM MCO WAS AT THE MEETING TO DISCUSS THE DESIGNATED SEWER FUND USE AND EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT FUND USAGE. WITHOUT A CLEAR WATER FUND LOAN THE MONEY IN THE FUND CAN ONLY BE USED FOR SEWER-RELATED EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT, NOT REPAIRS OR CHEMICALS. BRUCE HAS A CALL IN TO MARK STANEK FROM THE DNR TO SET UP A MEETING WITH THE VILLAGE ON MAKING THE OVERFUNDED AMOUNT ACCESSIBLE FOR OTHER UTILITY RELATED EXPENSES. VALVE EXERCISING WILL BE DONE LATE JULY OR AUGUST. DEVON PLATE IS ORDERING CHLORINE AND PHOSPHORUS PUMPS TO HAVE ON RESERVE. DAVE SCHRY QUESTIONED BRUCE ON WHAT TYPE OF WEED CONTROL COULD BE USED AT THE LAGOONS WITHOUT INTERFERING WITH THE PHOSPHORUS LEVEL READINGS. BRUCE WILL CONTACT STUART AT MCMAHON WHO HANDLES SPRAY CONTROL FOR WEEDS AT WASTEWATER PLANTS AND RESPOND BACK TO DAVE.

### **VILLAGE:**

BRIAN WITKOWSKI ATTENDED THE MEETING TO REVIEW THE BUILDING PERMIT STATUS IN THE VILLAGE. HE WILL BE DOING FOLLOW UPS ON THE BRANDON LOEHR REMODEL AND HILDEBRAND RESIDENCE PROJECTS. DISCUSSION WAS ON KEEPING COMMUNICATION OPEN ON PROJECTS/ PERMIT APPLICATIONS WITHIN THE VILLAGE.

JASON AND BOB SIPPEL AND TYLER BERENZ FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ATTENDED THE MEETING. JASON PRESENTED AN INCOME AND EXPENSE REPORT TO PROPOSE A POSSIBLE 3-YEAR CONTRACT WITH THE VILLAGE BASED ON FUTURE COSTS FOR EQUIPMENT, EXPENSES, ETC. THE SUBSIDY INCREASE WOULD COVER A THREE-YEAR SPAN; THE FIRST YEAR WOULD INCLUDE A 2% INCREASE, WITH THE NEXT TWO YEARS A 1% INCREASE EACH YEAR FOLLOWING. JASON WILL WORK ON A MORE DETAILED BUDGET TO BE PRESENTED AT THE SEPTEMBER MEETING FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION AT THE NOVEMBER BUDGET MEETING.

THE TEMPORARY ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE SERVING LICENSE FOR THE FIREMEN TO SERVE CARBLISS, WHICH IS CONSIDERED AN INTOXICATING LIQUOR, CANNOT BE GRANTED ON A TEMPORARY BASIS FOR THE AUGUST SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT. BECAUSE THE VILLAGE OWNS THE PARK, THE POSSIBILITY OF THE VILLAGE GRANTING A TEMPORARY LEASE TO THE FIREMEN FOR THE PARK THE DAYS OF THE TOURNAMENT IS BEING CONSIDERED, IN ORDER FOR CARLISS TO BE SERVED. THIS PROCESS WILL BE REVIEWED BY AN ATTORNEY BEFORE THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE SERVING LICENSE WILL BE GRANTED.

JIM SABEL ATTENDED THE MEETING WITH PLANS FOR A GARAGE / STORAGE BUILDING HE INTENDS TO BUILD ON THE EMPTY LOT HE OWNS NEXT TO HIS HOME. THE BOARD REVIEWED THE PLANS, BUT SINCE IT IS NOT ALLOWED TO BUILD A UNIT LARGER IN SQUARE FOOTAGE THAN THE PRIMARY RESIDENCE ON A PARCEL/PROPERTY, IT WAS SUGGESTED HE COMBINE HIS TWO LOTS INTO ONE PARCEL AND OBTAIN THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT WHICH WOULD ALLOW HIM TO BUILD THE GARAGE. A MOTION WAS MADE BY DAN DREIFUERST, SECONDED BY TOM OETJEN TO APPROVE THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT BASED ON THE CONDITIONS STATED. JIM WILL SUBMIT THE PERMIT FOR VILLAGE SIGNATURES, TO BE FORWARDED TO BRIAN WITKOWSKI THE BUILDING INSPECTOR.

PLANS ARE IN PROCESS BY THE ATHLETIC CLUB FOR A CONCRETE PROJECT AT THE VILLAGE PARK REPLACING THE PEA GRAVEL AT THE SOFTBALL DIAMONDS. TOM KRAUS SUBMITTED A QUOTE FOR \$11,000 FOR THE CONCRETE, THIS WOULD ALSO INCLUDE THE CONCRETE COST FOR FLIP'S SHELTER. THE ATHLETIC CLUB IS REQUESTING A COMMITMENT OF \$5,000 FROM THE VILLAGE TO INITIATE A FUNDRAISING EFFORT FOR AREA BUSINESSES/SPONSORS TO FUND THE PROJECT. ERIC ASKED FOR A MOTION FROM THE BOARD FOR THE VILLAGE TO COMMIT TO THE \$5,000. RYAN GEBHART MOTIONED TO COMMIT \$5,000 TO THE ATHLETIC CLUB. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY EVAN HAU. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION PASSED.

MARSH/CHURCH & GORDON/THORP STREET AND DRAINAGE PROJECTS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED BY NORTHEAST ASPHALT. MIKE BORN IS PLANNING ON DOING A FOLLOW UP COMPLETION CHECKLIST. THE 2023-2024 MPIC INSURANCE RENEWAL PREMIUM AMOUNTS AND COVERAGES WERE REVIEWED. RHONDA WILL FOLLOWUP WITH BRIAN AT MCCLONE ON THE RENEWAL AND COVERAGES BEFORE THE AUGUST 7 RENEWAL DATE.

RE-ZONING ISSUES WERE BROUGHT UP IN REGARD TO THE REMODEL AT 1016 MAIN STREET. ALL RESIDENCES, INCLUDING MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENCES IN THE VILLAGE ARE ZONED EITHER R-1 OR R-2 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCES) ERIC HEIMERMANN OFFERED TO CONTACT THE OWNER IN REGARD TO THE REMODEL AS TO WHETHER IT IS CONSIDERED A BUILDING ADDITION OR DUPLEX. DAN DREIFUERST OFFERED TO DO A DRIVE THROUGH THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE TO ASSESS THE NUMBER OF MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENCES. AT THE PRESENT TIME, THERE COULD BE THREE RESIDENCES THAT COULD POSSIBLY BE REZONED AS R-3 (MULTI-FAMILY). DAN WILL LOOK ALSO FOR OVERHANGING TREES OVER STREETS NOT ALLOWING CLEARANCE FOR SNOWPLOW, SEMI TRAFFIC, ETC. DAN WILL REPORT ON BOTH AT THE NEXT MEETING, WITH POSSIBLE FOLLOWUP DISCUSSION ON VILLAGE ZONING MAP UPDATES

THE RAWLEEN SIPPEL FAMILY MADE A CASH DONATION TO THE ST. CLOUD LEGION AUXILIARY FOR A MEMORIAL. THE AUXILIARY DECIDED TO PURCHASE A BENCH AND PLAQUE IN RAWLEEN'S MEMORY. THE AUXILIARY IS REQUESTING THE LOCATION AT THE VILLAGE HALL ON MAIN STREET. THE BOARD FELT THERE WAS LITTLE ROOM AND TOO MUCH TRAFFIC AT THAT LOCATION. A SUGGESTION WAS MADE TO PLACE THE BENCH IN FRONT OF THE CHURCH NEAR THE SIGN AND FLAGPOLE, IT IS ALSO A MORE SHADED AREA.

A RESIDENT REQUESTED THAT THE VILLAGE HAVE A TRASH BIN CLEANING EVENT. ERIC CHECKED INTO THIS AND THE COST WOULD BE \$10/BIN AND THE COMPANY WOULD WANT AT LEAST 100 PARTICIPANTS TO MAKE IT WORTHWHILE. THERE WAS NOT ENOUGH INTEREST TO WARRANT THE EXPENSE.

COMMENTS WERE MADE IN REGARD TO THE POSITIONING OF "NO PARKING THIS SIDE" ON THE WEST SIDE OF MAIN STREET. THE SIGNS NEED TO BE ADJUSTED THE OPPOSITE WAY FOR BETTER VIEWING. FOND DU LAC COUNTY WILL BE CONTACTED ON RE-POSITIONING THE SIGNS, SINCE THEY INITIALLY INSTALLED THE SIGNS FOLLOWING THE MAIN STREET CONSTRUCTION.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

RYAN GEBHART REPORTED THAT THE FINANCES LOOK FINE AND BUDGETS SEEM TO BE IN LINE. HE ALSO OFFERED TO TALK TO SOMEONE FROM THE POST OFFICE ON RELOCATING THE MAILBOX FROM MAIN STREET TO MARSH STREET, NOW THAT ROAD WORK IS COMPLETED.

DAVE SCHRY WILL GET A QUOTE FROM ALTITUDE ROOFING FOR THE VILLAGE GARAGE ROOF REPLACEMENT TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE INSURANCE COMPANY. JARED BERENZ IS WAITING TO HEAR FROM ASPHALT SPECIALISTS ON WHEN THEY WILL BE RESURACING THE VILLAGE HALL PARKING LOT.

ERIC CALLED FOR A MOTION TO PAY BILLS AND REVIEW TIMECARDS. EVAN HAU MADE A MOTION; SECONDED BY TOM OETJEN. BILLS WERE PAID AND TIMECARDS REVIEWED. ERIC ASKED FOR A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. RYAN GEBHART MOTIONED TO ADJOURN; SECONDED BY DAVE SCHRY. THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:20 P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, RHONDA WEBER, VILLAGE CLERK