

FREDERIC VILLAGE BOARD
MINUTES
Monday, April 14th, 2008, 7:00 p.m.
Village Hall
107 Hope Road West

Call to Order by Village President, Roll Call and Opening Statement.

Village President, Phil Knuf, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., the roll was taken.

Present: Brad Harlander: Maria Ammend: John Boyer: William Johnson: Jamie Worthington: Phil Knuf:

Absent: Kay Friberg

Administration Present: David Wondra, Administrator; Marilyn Sederlund, Clerk; Christine Byerly, Library Supervisor; R.J. Severude, Police Chief; Ken Hackett, Public Works Supervisor.

Motion to Approve Minutes of March 10th, 2008, Village Board Meeting. Motion by Jamie Worthington; second, William Johnson; Board vote unanimous, motion carried.

Motion to Approve Minutes of March 27th, 2008, Special Village Board Meeting. Motion by Jamie Worthington; second, John Boyer; Board vote unanimous, motion carried.

Motion to Approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion by William Johnson; second, Brad Harlander; Board vote unanimous, motion carried.

Motion to approve the Permit for Frederic Family Days fireworks display, Friday night, June 20th. Motion by William Johnson; second, Maria Ammend; Board vote unanimous, motion carried.

Motion to approve the closing of village streets and detouring traffic, June 21st, and June 22nd, for Family Days, as indicated on W.D.O.T. applications. Motion by Maria Ammend; second, Jamie Worthington; Board vote unanimous, motion carried.

Motion to approve the Family Days Events Committees. Motion by William Johnson; second, Jamie Worthington; Board vote unanimous, motion carried.

Department Head Reports.

Public Works; Ken Hackett, Public Works supervisor, advised that the water main has been fixed, and water "pumpage" has been cut 50%; and, the water level in Coon Lake is rising.

Park Board: Park Board met April 4th, and set goal to finalize current projects before starting something new; also working on a brochure which maps park hiking trails; Depot will open May 24th, for memorial day weekend.

Library: The "Bassmeister" will be here this summer and put on a fishing demonstration at Coon Lake Park; Stop by and celebrate National Library week.

Law Enforcement: Police Chief R.J. Severude provided an incident report to the Board for their review, and introduced Max, the Department's new police dog..

Village Clerk: Marilyn Sederlund, Village Clerk, reported as follows: Spring Election, April 1st, with a turn-out of 183 voters. April is Child Abuse and Neglect prevention Month. There will be a Blue Ribbon Walk to raise funds for 2 Polk County agencies working with this issue on April 26th. Please contact Nancy at Kinship of Polk County, 715-268-7980 for more information. The Village has been contacted by Ann Hraychuck's office; Ms. Hraychuck will be available at the Frederic Village Hall on July 26th, from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m., to hear public concerns. The Hearing Clinic will use the Village Board room again this year to conduct hearing screening from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, on Wednesday, April 16th.

The Office of Clerk/Treasurer is now officially split. The Village has fulfilled its responsibility, through publications and mandatory waiting periods, and Kristi Swanson is now the Village Treasurer. The new Village Board members begin their terms on April 22nd, and the Municipal Judge on May 1st.

Village Administrator: Dave Wondra provided the Board with a Financial Summary report and reviewed the report with the Board. He advised that the audit is complete and drafts are ready for review. May want to consider putting a committee together for the purpose of meeting with the auditor and finalizing the budget. The Village is once again looking at other health insurance options. Mr. Wondra was approached by Barb Meyer who organizes the “meals on wheels” program. The old hospital kitchen, located in the basement of the old hospital, is in need of some up grade. Although they do not cook the meals there, they do heat and store them. Would the Village consider helping financially with the upgrade or find a solution. Mr. Wondra requested that they get some dollar figures together to present to the board. Work on the Park boardwalk has gone as far as it can go. The lights will be installed and black top will be added on either end. The Administrator presented a Payment Request, and asked for a motion to approve payment of \$92,965.50 to Janke Construction. **Motion by William Johnson, second by John Boyer, Board Vote unanimous, motion carried.**

Mr. Wondra shared with the Board, a letter received from Comforts of Home concerning the sidewalk in the front of the Comforts of Home facility, and the need for a better handicap ramp. He provided the board with the letter and the pictures of the damaged sidewalk. This project, along with the sidewalk at the entrance to the post office were both slated for completion last fall, but due to the weather the contractor had to postpone them until spring. Mr. Wondra was also contacted by Jerry Tischer, Frederic School District Administrator, about the possibility of the Village paying a portion of the Certification required by the Pool Manager. The classes required for certification cost \$600.00, and the School District is asking the Village to consider paying 50% of that expense. **Motion to pay 50% of certification cost for Pool manager by Brad Harlander, second by Maria Ammend; Board vote unanimous, motion carried.**

Update on pending projects; there are negotiations pending for purchase of the feed mill, the administrator will research the dollars and discuss in closed session at the May meeting. The portion of the Early building used by Mike Route for metal work seems to be working well. Decisions on the other portion will have to be made, either renovation or demolition.

Bill Johnson gave a report on his trip to Madison.

Recognition of visitors: Kelly Green and Win Herberg were present at the board meeting and presented a gift of a publication titled, “The Natural Step” to the Board and the Village as a whole. Mr. Wondra thanked them for their gift and a discussion of pursuing avenues of growth ensued.

Motion to Adjourn: Motion by William Johnson; second by Jamie Worthington, Board vote unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Marilyn Sederlund
Clerk/Treasurer,
April 16, 2008