

**Village of Eau Claire
Monday, October 17, 2022**

Unapproved Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Regular Council meeting called to order 5:30 PM.

Members Present: Virginia Gonzalez, Jeff Rice, Ken Karn Sr., Kathy Zeilke, Clerk Shawn Foster, Treasurer Lisa Borkowski, Chief Charles Sherene.

Absent: John Glassman, PWS Mike Keesler

Approval of the Agenda: Motion by Gonzalez, second by Karn to approve the agenda with the following additions; under section C. #5 6355 W. Ivy Ct. & G. Streets #4 Water problems on Pipestone St. and #5. Broken Fire Hydrants. All Ayes Motion carried.

Recognition of Visitors: Ken Karn Jr., Doug Davis Pipestone Twp. Supervisor.

Visitor Discussion: Ken Karn Jr. was attending the meeting and Davis gave an update on Broadband Grant. Davis stated that the Village is included in the Townships broadband expansions. Pipestone Twp. Is applying for a 2.5-million-dollar Grant from the County.

Approval of the Board Minutes: Regular Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2022 and Special Meeting Minutes of September 7, 2022 Motion by Gonzalez, second by Rice to approve the meeting minutes, All Ayes, Motion carried.

Board Minutes: Fireboard Minutes of September 2022 available in the Clerk’s office.

Library Board Minutes: Meeting minutes of October 10, 2022 available in the Clerk’s office.

Building: No new business

Finance/Treasurer’s Report: Departmental Balance Report 09/01/2022 – 09/30/2022

All Funds	1,201,817.84				
Fund		Unrestricted	Fund	Restricted	Unrestricted
General	485,267.77	485,267.77	Sanitation		4,954.86
Major Streets		353,401.14	Sewer	82,320.00	60,437.66
Local Streets		25,894.07	Water	173,479.39	35,319.39
Municipal Streets		236,542.95	ARPA	62,600.00	

Motion to accept the Departmental Balance Report for September 2022 by Gonzalez, second by Rice, all ayes, motion carried.

Payment of the Bills: Motion by Karn, second by Rice to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$38,097.85 All ayes; motion carried. The preauthorized bills amounted to \$1,909.93. Motion by Karn to approve additional bills from September 2022 in the amount of \$3,727.13, second by Rice, All Ayes, Motion carried.

Budget Meeting scheduled for 11/15/2022

Employee Wage Report: Total Gross Wages from September 1 – 30, 2022 were \$12,830.50 with a total 642.62 hours worked for all regular Village employees.

Utilities Report: Current amount due for Water/Sewer/Sanitation from 08/11 – 09/10 2022 is \$26,534.63.

Police Department: Report 09/19/2022 – 10/17/2022. 2 tickets and 7 Incidents.

Administrative: Purchase of Halloween Candy, Motion by Karn, Second by Rice to approve a budget for candy of \$200.00. All Ayes and motion carried.

Copy Machine: The lease on the Kyocera Copy machine will be up in March 2022. Tabled.

Phone Bills for the Alarms in the lift stations & pump house. The Clerk has been trying to renew these contracts since June of 2022. Suggestion to contact MEC to see if they can provide phone services for them.

Short Term Rentals: The Village looked at a sample ordinance and will refer this to the Planning Commission.

Broadband Grant: The Village sent in their own Grant Application, but has since found out that the Townships have included the Village.

Billing for changing of the Marihuana Ordinance: was sent to Michigan Total Healing for \$2,495.17 for the cost of the meeting, publishing of the meeting notice and ordinance and attorney fees.

Committee Appointments: Pro Tem: Gonzalez, Water/Sewer/Solid Waste Committee: Gonzalez & Karn. Administrative/Personal/Police: Gonzalez & Karn. Streets: Keesler, need one more.

Finance/Budget: Glassman, Borkowski, Foster, Gonzalez. Planning Commission: Chair Ferguson, Karn Jr. & Zeilke. Library Board: Walker 7 Stanczyk.

Japanese Knot Weed: a highly invasive non-native plant that thrives in wet areas. Methods of eradication gone over, if you cut it, it spreads more. Certain companies and methods are used.

Parks: Blankenship's Property Maintenance are edging the walking trails and other locations in the Village. There is a washout area where gravel will be added near the trail. There have been complaints of dog waste on the trails, the Village will order signs. The trails are for pedestrians only, Dirt Bikes, ATV's and Golf carts or other vehicles should not be on it.

Water/sewer/solid waste: Still waiting for a plan to finish installment. The Clerk will contact Town & Country Plumbing to see if they can finish and at what cost.

Planning Commission: Needs two members. Next Planning Commission Meeting to be held, November 15, 2022 at 6:30 PM.

Streets: Act 51 monies received from the state for streets, every 10 years the Village must spend \$10,000 on none motorized street improvements, such as replacing sidewalks, bike paths, signs, the council is working on a list, this must be completed by 2024.

Digital Radar signs will be ready for installation soon.

ROW permits: ROW permits tabled, Planning Commission to review them.

Equipment: No new business.

Sanitation: Contracted rates with Bestway will have a slight increase in March 2023.

Personal Meeting to be held on November 15, 2022 at 5:00 PM.

Motion to adjourn: 7:00 PM.

Unapproved Meeting minutes by: Shawn Foster, Clerk