

Village of Eau Claire
Monday, November 20, 2023
Unapproved Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Regular Council meeting called to order 5:30 PM by Village President John Glassman.

Members Present: Virginia Gonzalez, Ken Karn Sr., Julie Pierce, Kathy Zeilke, Clerk Shawn Foster, PWS Mike Keesler, Chief Sherene, Treasurer Lisa Borkowski.

Absent: None

Approval of the Agenda: Motion by Karn and moving Finance, K. 1 & 2 to the top of the agenda, Second by Pierce, All Ayes and motion carried.

Recognition of Visitors: Lee LaVanway, Scott Hall of Fleis & Vandenbrink and Ken Karn Jr.

Visitor Discussion: Lee was here to find out more info on Lagoon Repairs and that he enjoys the Walking Trails and Elizabeth Park, he doesn't want to see Elizabeth Park closed. Karn Jr. was just attending the meeting and Scott Hall was here to discuss the Lagoon Repair Grant the Village has received.

Approval of the Board Minutes: Regular Meeting Minutes of September 18, 2023, Motion by Gonzalez, second by Pierce to approve the meeting minutes, All Ayes, Motion carried.

Fire Board Minutes: of October 18, 2023 available in the Clerk's office. Karn Jr. was just attending the meeting and Scott Hall was here to discuss the Lagoon Repair Grant the Village has received.

Library Board Minutes: Meeting minutes of November 13, 2023 available in the Clerk's office.

Police Department: Report 10/20/2023 - 11/20/2023. 6 tickets and 6 incidents.

Building: Still looking for someone to fix the threshold & the faucet in one of the bathrooms needs to be replaced.

Gutters: need to be cleaned, there are plants growing out of them, PW will have to bring a ladder from home to reach them.

Finance/Treasurer's Report: Departmental Balance Report 9/01/2023 – 9/30/2023, available in the Clerks office. See Report from 10/01/2023 – 10/31/2023 below.

All Funds	1,687,567.91				
Fund		Unrestricted	Fund	Restricted	Unrestricted
General	608,949.54	608,949.54	Sanitation		1,659.94
Major Streets		407,158.56	Sewer	82,320.00	12,961.29
Local Streets		21,214.10	Water	173,160.00	94,338.38
Municipal Streets		285,776.10			

Motion by Karn, Second by Gonzalez to approve the Treasurers reports, All ayes and motion carried.

Payment of the bills: in the amount of \$43,865.66 Motion by Gonzalez, second by Zeilke to approve the bills, all ayes motion carried. (The preapproved bills amounted to \$2,941.21.)

Employee Wage Report: gross wages for all regular employees for October 2023 was \$15,443.70.

Administrative: Scott Hall explained how the Grant will work, all work must be completed by September of 2026.

Employee Time Clock: We can no longer find the ribbons for it, Motion by Gonzalez to give the clerk a \$400.00 budget for a new one, Second by Pierce, All ayes, Motion carried.

Code Enforcer: The Village is still in need of a Code Enforcer & Zoning Administrator

MTHC would like to buy 2 acres of land in the Village for a lab and a small outdoor grow. Tabled until we get more info from the Village lawyer and hold a Public Hearing.

Fleis & Vandenbrink: Village Wastewater System Improvements project proposal of scheduled for Design & Construction, the designing and bidding and engineering for this portion will incur costs of \$279,600.00. Motion by Gonzalez to sign the proposal, second by Zeilke, All ayes and Motion Carried.

Third Quarter Council Pay: This will be done on Tuesday, November 28th, 2023.

Parks: A new 5-year Recreation & Master Plan: Wightman sent over a proposal for a new 5-year recreation plan, there is a survey that was distributed in Octobers Utility Bills and it is also on our website, eauclairemi.com.

Under survey monkey. All surveys are due by November 30, 2023.

Elizabeth Park: All Parks close at dusk! Any conflicting signs will be removed.

Mills: Can a ¼ of a mill be added to Village property taxes for Parks without being on a ballot. More info is needed. Tabled.

Water/sewer/solid waste: A Rate Study will be conducted December on December 5th by Rual Water. Proposal from F & V to run our water system. Proposal states \$70,000.00 or \$5,733.33 a month. This is just information only.

CDSMI: is needed, this is the Complete Distribution System Materials Inventory, this is due by January 1, 2025.

Robotic inspection of water tower: The Village received a quote in 2020 but it was never scheduled. We need to budget for this in the 2024 budget.

Water on Second St. is still a problem, there is a large grate by the North end of the Machine Works, formally Hermel, is this some kind of drain? Problem still needs to be looked at.

Planning Commission: Held a meeting on 10/10/2023.

Streets: Act 51 MFT (road payments) the Village required to spend \$10,000.00 every 10 years on non-motorized items. Several sidewalks have been identified as needing repairs. If the Village spends \$11,000.00 on sidewalk repairs next summer, then the Village will be in compliance for the next 10 years.

Equipment: No new business.

Sanitation: No new business.

New Business: none.

Motion to adjourn: 6:45 PM.

Unapproved Meeting minutes by: Shawn Foster, Clerk