

**Village of Eau Claire**  
**Monday, September 16, 2024**  
**Unapproved Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

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

**Members Present:** Ken Karn Sr., Kathy Zeilke, Jacob Layman, Clerk Virginia Gonzalez, PWS Mike Keesler, Chief Charles Sherene, Treasurer Lisa Borkowski.

**Absent:** None

**Approval of the Agenda:** Motion by Karn to approve the agenda, Second by Layman, All Ayes and motion carried.

**Recognition of Visitors:** Greg Prillwitz, Steve Schilling representing Eau Claire Fruit Exchange, Ken Karn Jr., Charles Pagel, Michelle Raines and Joe Briere.

**Visitor Discussion:** Prillwitz & Schilling in regards of the Red barn on Main St., offer for the Village to purchase or Deed for a Tax Abatement, and to place storage pods on East side of the business property. Further discussion for the Village to seek advice with Village Attorney.

**Approval of the Board Minutes:** Regular Meeting Minutes of August 19, 2024. Motion by Layman, Second by Zielke to approve the meeting minutes, all Ayes, motion carried.

**Fire Board Minutes:** of August 2024 (was not received) available in the Clerk’s office.

**Library Board Minutes:** Meeting minutes of August 2024 available in the Clerk’s office.

**Building:**

**Police Department:** Report 08/19/2024 – 09/16/2024. 1 ticket and 2 Incidents.

**Finance/Treasurer’s Report:** Departmental Balance Report 08/01/2024 – 08/31/2024

All Funds	1,408,123.17				
Fund		Unrestricted	Fund	Restricted	Unrestricted
General	407,236.15	407,236.15	Sanitation		2,943.98
Major Streets		454,020.14	Sewer	82,320.00	80,900.76
Local Streets		5,879.72	Water	173,160.00	123,062.25
Municipal Streets		334,080.17			

Motion by Karn, Second by Layman to approve the Treasurers report, all Ayes, motion carried.

**Payment of the bills:** In the amount of \$38,860.37, electronic payment of bills amounted to \$1,768.98

Motion by Layman, Second by Zielke to approve the bills, all Ayes, motion carried.

**Village Water Report:** Available in the Clerk’s office.

**Employee Wage Report:** gross wages for all regular employees for August 2024 was \$16,286.29.

**Administrative:** PWS Keesler has hired J. Briere for the part time position.

**AT&T:** Moving forward to update to fiber, by October 2024.

**Sale of 10 acres of land:** Village Attorney to re-draft additional language.

**Drain Commissioner:** George McManus called meeting to formally introduce himself and to address any questions or concerns for the Village of Eau Claire.

**Budget Fall flowers/Trick or Treat:** Board set budget for candy and fall flowers at \$250.00. Motion by Layman and Second by Zielke. All Ayes, motion carried. Trick or Treat hours will be Thursday October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5:30 – 7 pm.

**Council:** Board appointed B. Tanke to fill the two year open seat. Motion by Karn, Second by Zielke. All Ayes, motion carried.

**Blight Committee** Nothing at this time.

**Parks/Community Development:** B.C. Parks Department Director J. Adams contacted the Clerk and PWS M. Keesler to meet and discuss the Silver Beach playground equipment. The Board approved to accept the donation and the quote from United Rental for equipment removal. Waiting on the B. C.

Parks Department to proceed. Motion by Karn and Second by Zielke to accept the donation. All Ayes.  
Motion carried.

Discussion to submit the Parks 5 year plan with Wightman & Associates. To be timely.

**Resolution R-2024-4:** Sale of vacant land on Third St was accepted all Ayes, no Nays.

**Water, Sewer, solid waste:** No discussion.

**Streets:** Crosswalk sign has been delivered to Beaudoin Electric Co. Clerk is waiting on an installation date.

**Planning Commission:** Is seeking one more member for the Committee.

**Equipment:** No new business.

**Sanitation:** The Village Fall cleanup is scheduled for Thursday October 3<sup>rd</sup> through Monday October 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Budget workshop six month review:** October 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 pm. Borkowski, Glassman, Tanke and Gonzalez.

**Audit 2023-24:** D. Hall with State of MI, went over the audit and discussed the MERS retirement, Village to continue with additional payments to maintain over the 60% Net position as a percentage of the total pension liability.

**New Business:** none.

Motion to adjourn: 7:00 pm by Karn, Second by Layman.

Unapproved minutes by Virginia Gonzalez, Clerk