

VILLAGE OF NEW BERLIN
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
October 17, 2018

President Mike Krall called the meeting of the New Berlin Village Board to order at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, October 17, 2018 at the Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and roll call was taken.

Attendees: Mayor Mike Krall, Trustee Andy Surratt, Trustee Stephanie Snyder arrived late, Trustee Cindy Morris, Trustee Sharon LaFauce arrived late, Trustee Kris Neuman, Trustee Chelsea Sartore, Treasurer Angie Libben, Clerk Kelly Yates, Attorney Jason Brokaw, Superintendents Garrett Kemp and Cody Morris, Chief Terry Nydegger.

Audience: Cameron Jones from Benton and Associates, Linda Hughes, Reporter, Anna Marie Williams.

MINUTES:

MOTION: To approve consent agenda as presented and minutes from 9-19-18.

Moved by: Trustee Surratt

Seconded by: Trustee Morris

Trustee Morris: Yes

Trustee Neuman: Yes

Trustee Sartore: Yes

Trustee LaFauce: Absent

Trustee Surratt: Yes

Trustee Snyder: Absent

Motion carried by roll call vote.

November meeting will be changed to Wednesday, November 14, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. due to Thanksgiving holiday.

POLICE: Written report submitted. Speeding by motorists in the morning before school was discussed.

AUDIENCE: Village resident Anna Marie Williams expressed concerns over speeding and texting by motorists before and after school hours.

TAX INCREMENT FINANCE DISTRICT: Trustee Snyder reported the three memorial park benches have been placed in the parks, however the Jacksonville Dream Center Foundation has canceled our future order and refunded \$3430.00 due to low participation from our community. It was explained to the foundation that the reason for no attendance on the caps counting day was that it fell on New Berlin's Homecoming but despite this information New Berlin was still excluded from the program. We will continue to collect caps to contribute to the program.

UTILITIES: Written report submitted.

Cameron Jones from Benton & Associates presented the Smoke Testing Results. 45 issues were found. Attorney Brokaw will obtain examples of letters we could use to send to village residents. Most people that are out of compliance are probably unaware of the situation and will take proper action when notified. Legal action is possible if the problem is not resolved.

Trustee Morris reported the SSWC plans to replace the 10” meter with a 4” meter to more accurately measure the water flow in and out of New Berlin, either in the current location or moving further out east of town and transferring the existing 10” meter to the Village. Cameron Jones stated Benton & Associates offered to review the situation at no cost to the Village.

MOTION: To allow Superintendent Kemp to purchase a new heater for the water tower not to exceed \$2000.00.

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Moved by: Trustee Surratt

Seconded by: Trustee LaFauce

Trustee Morris: Yes

Trustee Neuman: Yes

Trustee Sartore: Yes

Trustee LaFauce: Yes

Trustee Surratt: Yes

Trustee Snyder: Yes

Motion carried by roll call vote.

ZONING: Trustee Neuman has scanned and cataloged all zoning information from 1986 to present to construct a permanent file.

MOTION: to approve Ordinance 2018-25 appointing Don Cravens as Hearing Officer for Legal Services.

Moved by: Trustee Neuman

Seconded by: Trustee Sartore

Trustee Morris: Yes

Trustee Neuman: Yes

Trustee Sartore: Yes

Trustee LaFauce: Yes

Trustee Surratt: Yes

Trustee Snyder: Yes

Motion carried by roll call vote.

STREETS & PARKS: Written report submitted.

The village received complaints from residents of rocks in their yards after the street sweep before the roads were rocked and chipped by IRC.

Signs for the Village Yard Waste Facility were discussed.

Dumpsters will be available from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. for the village clean-up day held October 20, 2018 with residency check and limited help available.

The Village Garage sales will be held the same weekend as the clean-up day and a Salvation Army truck will be on hand to pick up unsold garage sale items at the Village Hall from 12:30 p.m. until 1:00 pm. on Saturday, October 20. No private appointments for pickup were requested. Speed limit signs were suggested for Birch & Cedar streets.

A no parking sign was suggested along Washington St. between Gibson & Ellis streets due to interrupted garbage service at a residence.

Further discussion and expected invoice next month regarding the Crosier lot rental.

FINANCE:

The tax levy will be presented in December. We can request an additional 5% increase from what was extended from the county. Attorney Brokaw suggests having an estimate ready for the November 14th meeting since it has to be filed with the county by the last Tuesday in December. The Investment & Internal Payment Control Policy was reviewed and signed by the mayor and clerk.

Trustee Neuman stated that \$600,000.00 of Village CD funds are planned to be used to offset engineering fees for the new sewer project through inter-governmental transfer of funds allowing us to borrow money from the general fund and pay back directly to the sewer fund. This needs to be revisited every year to renew if the funds are not paid back in full within one year.

Attorney Brokaw suggested a supplemental appropriation with a resolution to follow containing a statement of explanation of restricted fund to non-restricted fund.

A budgeted \$30,000.00 invoice was received from RMA, Risk Management for Workers Compensation and Insurance. Trustee Neuman would like to re-evaluate the allocations.

HEALTH AND SAFETY: Solar roof panels were discussed under building permits.

PERSONNEL: no report

NEW BUSINESS: There was not interest at this time for a request from Republic Service asking for a waste hauling partnership with the Village of New Berlin.

Dave Wallner inquired about TIF funding for property he is considering purchasing on the southwest corner of town to build a seed warehouse and was advised to submit an application. Trustee Neuman revisited an idea from last year, suggesting a sports park for the area on the southwest corner of town.

Mayor Krall received correspondence from another insurance agency promoting lower rates. Attorney Brokaw advised asking for loss runs and getting a quote. The board was in favor of shopping rates.

MOTION: To recess regular session at 8:42 p.m.

Moved by: Trustee Snyder

Seconded by: Trustee Morris

Motion carried.

Reconvened to regular session at 9:00 p.m. All board members are still present.

MOTION: To adjourn at 9:00 pm to Executive Session

Moved by: Trustee Surratt

Seconded by: Trustee Neuman

Trustee Morris: Yes

Trustee Neuman: Yes

Trustee Sartore: Yes

Trustee LaFauce: Yes

Trustee Surratt: Yes

Trustee Snyder: Yes

Motion carried by roll call vote.

MOTION: To close Executive Session at 9:21 pm and return to regular session.

Moved by: Trustee Surratt

Seconded by Trustee LaFauce

Motion carried.

MOTION: To adjourn regular session at 9:23 p.m.

Moved by: Trustee LaFauce

Seconded by: Trustee Morris

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Yates
Village Clerk