

VILLAGE OF LYNDON STATION
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 13, 2021

The Monthly Regular Village Board Meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. on Monday, September 13, 2021 by President Ed Welsh. The roll call was taken by Village Clerk Lori J. Scully. Present were President Ed Welch, Trustee Rebecca Coley and Trustee Jan Miller. Also, present in Open Session was Gene Churchill, Steve Klicko and Rachel Dombroski from Public Works and Chief of Police Jeremy Bonikowske.

President Welsh made a motion to go into Closed Session per State Statutes 19.85(1)(g): Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved re: Juneau County Case No. 2020CV178, seconded by Trustee Coley; three ayes carried. Roll Call: President Welsh, yes; Trustee Coley, yes; Trustee Miller, yes. Closed Session followed. President Welsh made a motion to go into Open Session, seconded by Trustee Coley; three ayes carried. Roll Call: President Welsh, yes; Trustee Coley, yes; Trustee Miller, yes. Open Session followed at 6:35 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 9, 2021 were approved on a motion by Trustee Miller, seconded by President Welsh; three ayes carried. Trustee Coley made a motion to accept the Special Board Meeting Minutes of August 2, 2021 Minutes, seconded by President Welsh; three ayes carried. A motion was made by Trustee Coley to approve the Special Board Meeting Minutes of August 30, 2021, seconded by President Welsh; three ayes carried. The Village Clerk read the August Payables Report. The Payables Report in the amount of \$14,264.59 was approved on a motion by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Coley; three ayes carried. The Village Clerk read the August, 2021 Treasurer's Report. Trustee Coley made a motion to approve the August, 2021 Treasurer's Report in the amount of \$60,650.33 (\$35,320.94 spendable because of COVID 19 Funds of \$25,329.79) ending balance, seconded by Trustee Miller; three ayes carried. The Utility Clerk read the July/August, 2021 Water Report. Trustee Miller made a motion to approve the Water Report with an ending balance of \$50,481.67; \$5,579.10 in the Passbook, \$17,297.12 in the CD and \$0.00 in the Debt Service Account, seconded by President Welsh; three ayes carried. The Utility Clerk read the Sewer Report for July/August, 2021. Trustee Coley made a motion to approve the Sewer Report with an ending balance of \$-11,933.73 and WWTP \$17,561.18, seconded by Trustee Miller; three ayes carried.

Under Public Comments, Cassie Ilgen Miller asked about repairing the Park Equipment as it is broken. Jeff Agnew gave the Board a copy of a recent Plat of Survey when he recently purchased the property west of the Recycling Center and north of the cemetery. He showed the Board where the problem where the 19.22' discrepancy exists. Police Chief Jeremy Bonikowske said he has received approval from the State for ATV/UTV to ride on Flint Street within the Village limits and all streets within the Village.

Karis Ann Huffman told the Board that there is a disgusting junk yard in two properties by the same person, Eric Tolleksen. The property he is putting much of the junk on in Larry Klassa's property. Also, she explained the unlicensed vehicles and illegal burning (shingles) that is going on. She grew up in the Village and has never seen anything like this before. Residential properties cannot be used as commercial. Tolleksen is also putting free-on on the ground from old refrigerators, etc. Heidi and Brian Kutina spoke about the same problems with these two properties and showed the Board three poster boards full of pictures and explained with each one what is illegal dumping and trashed cars and a boat

moving each day on the streets. They have called the Sheriff's Department and they said there is nothing they can do as it is a Village problem. President Welsh said the Village Attorney is working on an ordinance for this type of problem for the Village. They also brought up that a convicted felon is living at 421 W. Flint Street. Brian Kutina said that he read the ordinance but something needs to happen. Heidi said there are burglaries happening during the day because of these people. Dick Schuster said this started about a year ago at Larry Klassa's property. Trustee Coley said if there is illegal burning just call the DNR. Fire Chief Troy Madland said they can have the Dells Ranger come up. Brian Hoehn said there are other properties too. Morgan Place of 226 Honeyaire Street discussed the same issues also. The final discussion the Board had was to ask the Village Attorney whether Chief Bonikowske can look for this type of properties. The Board will follow up with these problems.

No action was taken on the appointments to the Planning Commission. President Welsh will follow up with appointments.

No action was taken on the Electronic Payments/Billing for Water/Sewer.

Trustee Coley made a motion to not appeal any action regarding the Thomas Miller vs. Zoning Board of Appeals of the Village of Lyndon Station and the Village Board of Lyndon Station, seconded by President Welsh; three ayes carried.

A discussion took place with Village Attorney Peter Curran by telephone regarding an ordinance regulating the conditions of property maintenance. Amendments will have to be made to the existing ordinance but the Board has to have input regarding changes to be made and fines regarding the same.

President Welsh made a motion to approve a new voting machine (in 2021 Budget) in the amount of \$3,299 plus training expenses, seconded by Trustee Coley; three ayes carried.

No discussion took place regarding a street light on Prospect Street and West Limits Road.

President Welsh made a motion to have bi-monthly paychecks for those employees that requested them, seconded by Trustee Coley; three ayes carried.

A motion was made by President Welsh to have electronic paychecks for those employees that requested them with all the banking information, seconded by Trustee Coley; three ayes carried.

Trustee Coley made a motion to approve an Operator's License for Mary Welsh at Miller's General Store, seconded by Trustee Miller; three ayes carried

The tree trimming issue for various locations was postponed until the October meeting when prices will be shown for the same.

The Village Clerk explained the necessity to approve Resolution #2 regarding dog licenses to be collected by Juneau County. This was tabled until October.

Under New Business, the Village Clerk asked the Board to set dates to meet for the 2022 Budget. President Welsh said that October 7, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. would work for the Board. Linda Churchill said the 2022 Budget for the Mauston Ambulance meeting will be held on September 29, 2021 and would be helpful if the members of the Village Board could attend. Trustee Miller had several items to discuss with some of them being that all meetings should be recorded, why is there a stop sign on Julius and North Washington Street, who approved the bee hives owned by Schultz of Reedsburg on the Sewer property owned by the Village. She wants them removed IMMEDIATELY because of liability for the Village. Why is Kelly Bires living in his commercial property on 216 Industrial Avenue? Letters

should be sent to residents regarding the erection of ramps and fences. These are just a small list to name a few by Trustee Miller and she wants the Village Board to address these issues.

Fire Chief Troy Madland gave the monthly Fire Department Report to the Board and explained the calls. There were four calls in the month of August. The generator is now working. Engine #2 is for sale. He said there was some interest from someone in California. They have one new fire fighter and two more interested in joining.

The Fire Department reports were distributed to the Village Board.

A motion was made by President Welsh, seconded by Trustee Miller to go into Closed Session per State Statute 19.85(1)(c); Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; three ayes carried. Roll Call: President Welsh, yes; Trustee Coley, yes; Trustee Miller, yes. Closed Session followed.

President Welsh made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Coley; three ayes carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori J. Scully
Village Clerk