

Village of Glenbeulah

August 11, 2020 Minutes

DRAFT COPY

Present: Daun, Starnitcky, Feldmann, Grunewald, Olm, and Bertram

Absent:

Guests: Abby Mastznka and Wally Sedlar from Martenson & Eisele, Tanya & Paul Massey, Herbie Kohlmann, Brian and Susan Keller, Adam Konz, Jake and Carey Jacobson, Ceil Petrie, Jim and Gail Weiss, Dan Blanke, MK Whyte, Janet Blskobing, and Colton from the Plymouth Review. Crowd of people in the foyer and parking area.

Daun opened the Village Board meeting at 7:00PM

The room was full to capacity - with following social distancing guidelines and all wore facial coverings.

Approval of Minutes

Daun asked the Board if there were questions or changes to the July 8, 2020 Village Board Meeting minutes or a motion to accept the minutes as distributed to Board members before-hand, posted, and placed on the website. In a motion by Olm, and seconded by Feldmann, the minutes were approved. Motion carried.

The printer has been closed due to COVID-19, so no copies have been made for resident pickup. The minutes are posted on Glenbeulahwi.gov.

Treasurer's Report

In a motion by Starnitcky and seconded by Grunewald, the treasurers report was approved. Motion carried.

Citizen Comment

None

Agenda was changed to accommodate the audience

New Business

Fire Dept/First Responders general business

Log was received – For July there were 4 calls. July training was pump operations and ladders. Reviewed COVID-19 mask policy with members. ISO review will be conducted August 24th. Engine 9 headlamps were upgraded to LED. 8000 gallons of water was used for July training. The department participated in the Hortonville FD softball tournament fundraiser and took second place. The department held their annual election of officers. The results were: Chief – Adam Konz, 1st Assistant – Andrew Schillingowski, 2nd Assistant – Ryan Feldmann, Captain – Alex Schilsky. Lieutenant/PIO Mike Meyer, Safety – Scott Nett, Sec/Treasure – Dan Grunewald. Since there was a change in the Chief position, there would need to be a motion and second by the board to appoint Adam Konz as chief. Starnitcky believes the board should know why Chief Mooney was not reelected. Feldmann stated that this is how the department voting has done for years and the position should be done by majority vote. Feldman made a motion to appoint Adam Konz as chief. There was no second, so the motion failed. As special meeting will be held if necessary, to obtain more information.

EMS calls for the month of July – 4 calls for the Town of Greenbush and 4 calls for the Village.

Old Business:

Brush piles/weeds

Nothing to report.

Dam Inspection

Nothing to report. – this item will be removed from future agendas.

Cemetery

Starnitcky will continue to get plot locations for Mrs. Barta.

Mill Pond Gate

The new gate brackets are going in for the new gate.

Railroad Ave

The project is complete.

USDA Grants

Wally and Abbey from Matenson & Eisele spoke, they are working on the grant and loan process for the Swift, Barrett, and Ottis Street projects. The entire project is projected to cost around \$600,000. The loan will be at 1.5%. In a motion by Starnitcky and seconded by Feldmann, a proposal from Matenson & Eisele for \$16,500.00 was signed. Motion carried. A question was asked about the cost of infiltration vs the cost of loan payback. There are several months that the utilities pay \$6-8000.00 for infiltration water costs. Daun reminded that not only is this to help with that cost, but it is an infrastructure cost as well. The loan will be part of the Village general obligation debt.

New Business:

Tanya Massey

She asked if the village could repurpose the end of Hanson Park and turn it into a pollination field. Feldmann stated that if COVID was not here, it would be two soccer fields for the Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah School. This will be addressed at next month's meeting as well

COVID 19- grants, business's and sign

Most of the people present at the meeting were showing their support for local businesses. Daun stated that the Village will not close any business due to COVID. Businesses need to follow state guidelines and mandates, but the Village has no intent or authority to close any business in the Village due to COVID. The CARES loan for the Fire Department was approved. The election one needs to be submitted by September 15th. Discussion was held about the Village one and will be looking into tables or iPad. It was asked if the Village sign could have a message about wearing masks. This request was prior to the state mask mandate. No message about masks will be put on the sign.

Swift Street and Barrett Street Projects

Grunewald talked to Jeremy, from the county about the parking area by the apartment on Swift St. It will not have the bump out, no winter parking will be allowed on that portion of the street from Nov-April, just as it is on all other streets.

Joy Grunewald – storage lot

Daun contacted the Attorney for a letter to the owner.

.gov and website

The website upgrade is near completion. A few questions about the looks of the page was decided on. The email addresses of the board will be added as well.

LRIP

Nothing to report.

Ordinance – parking

Nothing to report

Street lighting

Starnitcky contacted We Energies about the upgrade of the streetlights. At this time, no action will be taken.

Village Employee

No application was received from the resident from last month. Daun had another interested person and if he calls, an application will be requested as well.

Ash Trees

The remainder of the trees should be taken down this week. Feldmann contacted several nurseries about planting maples where the Ash trees were removed. The costs were approximately \$1000-\$1200. In a motion by Grunewald and seconded by Olm, Feldmann can purchase replacement trees. Motion carried.

New Business:

Plan Commission

Chairperson Whyte stated there would be no meeting unless something came in before Saturday 8/14.

Building Permits

Permits were passed around and in a motion by Feldmann and seconded by Starnitcky, the permits were approved. Motion carried.

TIF District

Nothing to report.

Everstream – utilities in the right of way

In a motion by Starnitcky and seconded by Feldmann, the permit was signed. Motion carried

Curb by bank

An email was received by NEBAT that the curb area has sunk and is a trip hazard. The village will take care of getting it repaired. Daun will contact the county to see if they could mudjack the sidewalk to make it more level.

Operators licenses

In a motion by Starnitcky and seconded by Olm, two operators' licenses for Fudgieknuckles were approved. Motion carried.

Law enforcement

The log was not available for the meeting. Discussion was held about speeding and issuing tickets. A representative from the Sheriffs Department will be asked to attend next month's meeting.

Election worker wage

Currently the election workers are making \$8.00 per hour. After discussion and comparisons from other municipalities, Feldmann made a motion to upgrade the pay to \$12.00 for poll worker trained workers and \$ 15.00 an hour for chief election trained worker effective 8/11/12, seconded by Olm and carried. Starnitcky abstained.

Resolution 2020-1 CMAR

In a motion by Starnitcky and seconded by Feldmann, the CMAR resolution was approved and signed. Motion carried.

Copy machine

The only copy machine that can be found reasonably would be a 4 in 1 printer. In a motion by Feldmann and seconded by Olm, Bertram was given permission to purchase a printer style copier not to exceed \$600.00 for the hall. Motion carried.

Committee Report

None

Correspondence of the Month

All were passed around for review.

Approval of Invoices

In a motion by Starnitcky and seconded by Grunewald, the August invoices were approved. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:14PM in a motion Feldmann and seconded by Starnitcky. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Michele Bertram, Clerk/Treasurer