Village of Vesper

# Minutes of November 9, 2021 Meeting

Board Members Present: President Daniel Vollert Trustee Scott Brehm Trustee Jim Brock Trustee Andrea Pecher Clerk Dixie Slovensky Treasurer Debra Schalow

Others Present: George Brandl, Dustin Brehm, Andrea Halbersma, Brian Radtke, and David & Margaret Straka

1. **Call to Order** – The Village of Vesper monthly meeting was called to order by President Vollert at 7:00 PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Reading of Minutes** - The October minutes were read and approved as written. Motion was made by Trustee Brehm, seconded by Trustee Brock, to accept the October minutes. Motion carried.
3. **Reports from Village Officials**
4. **Public Works/Street Superintendent** – Dustin reported that all the street repairs are done. The County did all of their manholes on STH 186. Well Road has yet to be finished. All the street signs that we ordered are up; George said that we do need a couple more sign posts. George completed the WISLR report last week and will submit it next week. Pumps are working great. George and Dustin have been working on rebuilding the chemical pumps. Trustee Brehm said that he received a couple questions about pink-colored water. Dustin explained it is harmless, it’s simply getting the correct amount of potassium permanganate with the increased water flow. Hydrant flushing has been going very well this week and should be completed tomorrow. There was a water main break Saturday night, November 6, at 10 PM near the intersection of CTH C and STH 186. Kasner Excavating said it looked like the pipe sagged a little causing two horizontal cracks, which they fixed with a sleeve. George said that he is trying to get LRIP money from the State. It’s a two-year program. He was told by the County that the three larger cities in the County will get the greatest amount of money, with the smaller communities competing to get what is left. Dustin said he still needs to take the Iron test again. Dustin shared information on Governor Evers signing Act 86 into law, eliminating the need for the PSC to approve our plan to replace our readers and meters.
5. **Treasurer** – Motion was made by Trustee Pecher, seconded by Trustee Brehm, to accept the financial statement. Motion carried. Motion was made by Trustee Pecher, seconded by Trustee Brehm to pay all bills. Motion carried. Debbie said she is working on copying the trash/recycling calendar. There will be a $6.96/month increase per resident for pick-up next year.
6. **Sewer & Water** – Motion was made by Trustee Brehm, seconded by Trustee Brock, to accept the financial statement. Motion carried. Motion was made by Trustee Brock, seconded by Trustee Pecher, to pay all bills. Motion carried.
7. **Community & Recreation Center** – Recreation Center roofing project has been completed. Once we get the invoice from the contractor, TD Roofing, we will get that to the insurance adjuster for payment.

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1. **Lester Public Library** – Andrea reported that the grant was submitted for $65,000 between the three libraries. For Vesper it would mean all new seating, including flip-up tables and stand-up height tables. It would also include a portable air purifier that serves a 1000 ft sq area. Andrea said she won’t hear anything about the grant until after Christmas. Next week Andrea will attend the National Library Conference, for which she was awarded a scholarship to attend in Green Bay for 3 days. George has been stopping in at the Library, working on small repairs. Rapids Sheet Metal told Andrea that it will be Spring before they receive the new air conditioner that they ordered. Andrea would like to have a rain gutter added in the area above the air conditioner. Andrea hasn’t heard from the County with regard to funding; their meeting was today. Andrea said that the Library would like $20,000 from the Village.
2. **Recreation Committee –** Margaret Straka reported that George and Jessica Brandl won the “Best Haunted House”. 118 kids came through the Community Center for the children’s sensory games. They received $67 in donations.
3. **Public Comments** – None.
4. **Old Business –** None.
5. **New Business**
   1. **Beverage Operator’s Application** – A Beverage Operator’s application was received from Julia Lucille Brehm on behalf of Brahma’s Saloon. Background check came back clear. Motion was made by Trustee Pecher, seconded by Trustee Brock, to approve the Beverage Operator’s License for Julia Brehm. Motion carried.
   2. **Notice of Spring Election –** A Spring Election will be held on Tuesday, April 5, 2022, at which time the following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents:

Village Trustee James Brock

Village Trustee Jonathan Holmes

All terms are for two years beginning on April 12, 2022. Any Village resident interested in serving as a Trustee can obtain nomination papers from the Village Clerk. The first day to circulate nomination papers is Wednesday, December 1, 2021 and the final day for filing nomination papers is 5:00 PM on Tuesday, January 4, 2022 in the office of the Village Clerk.

c) **TID Discussion** – The Village has been contacted by the Heart of Wisconsin Chamber of Commerce about the Village providing financing, through our TIF funds, to a business that would like to come to or expand in Vesper. All TID monies are earmarked for other projects in the community.

d) **Roth Professional Solutions Update** – The Board reviewed three invoices and a brief status update from Roth regarding projects within the Village. Robert Roth is asking that the Board renew their amount for Kerry expenditures another $2,500 or more. Tabled until Closed Session meeting is scheduled.

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e) **Finalize 2022 Budget** – The Board further discussed funding needs for 2022 and developed the 2022 budget. Library funding will remain the same at $19,750 for 2022. The Pittsville Fire & EMS Contract increased by $608 for the coming year, annual funding for the Vesper Volunteer Fire Department will increase approximately $1,104, plus an increase of approximately $1,000 for Wisconsin Retirement. There are four elections in 2022, which doubles the election expense to the Village. Repairs will be needed for siding at the Community Center, street repairs, and Recreation Center fencing repairs are needed. The 2022 proposed budget is $388,678.00. Motion was made by Trustee Brehm, seconded by Trustee Brock, to approve the proposed budget as developed. Motion carried.

f) **Set Date for 2022 Budget Hearing** - The Budget Hearing and Meeting to set the 2021 payable 2022 tax levy will be held Tuesday, November 16, beginning at 4:30 PM, at the Vesper Community Center.

1. **Conmar Development LLC Rezoning Application** – After considerable discussion at the Zoning & Land Use Hearing earlier this evening, the Board specified that the rezoning is approved for only single and two-family dwellings to be built. Additionally, “Area, Height, and Yard” requirements of District R-4 will apply to the parcels in question. Motion was made by Trustee Brehm, seconded by Trustee Brock, to rezone parcels $2900033CA, #2900033CB, and #2900033CD from A-1 Agricultural to R-4 Multiple Family Residential. Motion carried. Upon payment of the permit and publication fee (total of $199.40), the Rezoning Permit will be issued.
2. **President’s Business/Report** – None.
3. **Trustee’s Business/Report** – None.
4. **December Agenda Requests** – The next meeting will be Tuesday, December 14, beginning at 7:00 PM at the Municipal Building.
5. **Adjourn Meeting** - Being no further business to discuss, motion was made by Trustee Pecher, seconded by Trustee Brehm, to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 PM. Motion carried.

Submitted by Dixie Slovensky, Clerk