

Village of Roberts

Village Board Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2015 – 7:00 PM

The Village Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by the President Moeri.

The meeting was properly noticed in the Central St. Croix News and posted in three locations in the Village of Roberts.

Members Present: Willard Moeri, Don Gerhardt, Scott Gerhardt, Chad Svacina, Mary Shemon, Lorraine Siegert and Marge Wolske.

Visitors: John Bond, Aaron McWilliams, Peter Tharp, Chuck Pizzi, Brenda Hackman, Tom Lindfors, Mary Imboden, Drew Johnson, Logan Johnson, Linda Hall, Kris Lubich and Autumn Lindquist.

Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve Meeting Minutes from February 9, 2015 Village Board Meeting and Special Village Board Meeting on March 4, 2015 by Wolske, seconded by S.Gerhardt. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report by Shemon, seconded by D.Gerhardt. Motion carried.

Public Concerns

Communications

- Bakke Norman's Municipal Seminar is scheduled for Thursday, April 23, 2015
- League of Wisconsin Municipalities summary of 2015-2017 Proposed State Budget
- Spring Cleanup Proposed dates – April 26 through May 16 with weekends of May 2 and May 16

Department Reports

Police Department

- Monthly Police Report was given by Sgt. McWilliams. We are up about 30 calls from the month of January.
- New officer starts today.
- Participating in Click or Ticket, Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over, Do's & Don'ts in 2015

Director of Public Works

- We received a letter from Wisconsin Rural Water and we have been nominated for Treatment Plant of the year.
- We have been having problems at Treatment Plant. The business has been contacted and we are making progress on the issue. Records of their maintenance have been requested and appear there are no records and have neglected their filtering system.
- Discussed training for OSHA. Frank Phillips presented a proposal to the board. The cost would be \$1,500. Aaron McWilliams has CPR and blood Pathogens training and will include the Public Works Department. The board would like to proceed and the contract will be approved next month.
- The Fire Department is looking for ISO rating increase. To do that, flow data is needed on all of our hydrants in the Village. The tools would cost \$900 to do the job and at this time we do not have the tools. John was asking if the Village would like to purchase the equipment. John will look at the convention at the equipment and come back with amounts.
- Scrappy's would like to pick up the recyclables at the treatment plant again. He would not park or leave the trailers at his house. John will ask Ralph May to come in in April.

Committee Reports and Recommendations

Park/Urban Forestry Board – None

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Plan Commission

- **Building Inspector Report**– Reviewed report
- **Business Plan of Operation – Drug Test Midwest, LLC – Dustin Klanderman**

Motion to approve the Business Plan of Operation for Drug Test Midwest by Wolske, seconded by S.Gerhardt. Motion carried.

- **Business Plan of Operation – Simply Staffing**

Motion to approve the Business Plan of Operation for Simply Staffing by Shemon, seconded by Wolske. Motion carried.

CDA Board - None

Finance Committee - None

Public Safety Committee - None

Public Works Committee – None

Fire Association – None

Library Board – Brenda Hackman

- Circulation is up for January and February.
- Linda Esch resigned and was replaced by Jill Cleary. Robert Bauer has been added as part time maintenance.
- Discussed programming for March. Patsy O'Brien will be here on March 19, 2015.
- Fund raiser for cookbook is still happening. Would like to have more recipes, please submit.

Old Business

New Business

- **Employee Education Requests and Expense Reports**
- **Operator's License**

Motion to approve Operator's License for Cole Rebhan, Chris Westerman and Heather Skinner by S.Gerhardt, seconded by Wolske. Motion carried.

- **Resolution 2015-1R – County Assessment Versus Local Assessment**

Discussed County Assessment versus Local Assessment.

Motion to approve Resolution 2015-1R – County Assessment by Wolske, seconded by D.Gerhardt. Motion carried.

- **Payment of Bills**

Motionto pay the bills by D.Gerhardt, seconded by Siegert. Motion carried.

- **Motion to convene into closed session per Wisconsin 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 and 19.85(1)e Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session to discuss Police Chief Position and Acquisition of Property by Wolske, seconded by Siegert. Roll Call – Siegert-Aye, D.Gerhardt-Aye, Shemon-Aye, Moeri-Aye, Svacina-Aye, Wolske-Aye, S.Gerhardt-Aye
- **Motion**to adjourn Closed Session and reconvene into Open Session by Wolske, seconded by D.Gerhardt. Roll Call – Siegert-Aye, D.Gerhardt-Aye, Shemon-Aye, Moeri-Aye, Svacina-Aye, Wolske-Aye, S.Gerhardt-Aye

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- **Possible Acquisition of Property**

The Village received an offer from Wells Fargo for 204 W Main Street to be donated to a municipality or non-profit. The Village will look into the building and investigate the cost of removal or upgrading. This will be on the April agenda.

- **Decision on Police Chief**

President Moeri discussed the process of hiring a Police Chief. Aaron McWilliams has accepted the position of Police Chief effective March 16, 2015. We will be adding one more new officer to the staff. The wage will be \$65,000 which is above the advertised amount. In the consideration of his advancement and the Emergency Manager position, the Village will save approximately \$26,000. With that said, it is not necessarily an increase but a good investment.

Motionto approve the appointment of Aaron McWilliams to Police Chief effective as of March 16, 2015 by Wolske, seconded by D.Gerhardt. Roll Call – Siegert-Aye,

D.Gerhardt-Aye, Shemon-Aye, Moeri-Aye, Svacina-Aye, Wolske-Aye, S.Gerhardt-Aye. Motion carried.

Any Other Business

Motionto adjourn at 8:35 PM by Wolske, seconded by D.Gerhardt. Motion carried.

Doreen Kruschke, WCPC, CMTW

Date Adopted – April 13, 2015

Village Clerk/Treasurer