

**VILLAGE OF HORTONVILLE
VILLAGE BOARD
JANUARY 17, 2008 MEETING MINUTES**

President Roger Retzlaff called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. in the lower level of the Community Hall at 312 W. Main St., Hortonville, Wisconsin.

Trustees present: Wallace Lenzner, W. George Wojcik, Craig Dreier, Alfred Handrich, Charles Nieuwenhuis, and Andrew Gitter.

Officials present: Administrator J. Everett Mitchell, Clerk-Treasurer Lynne Mischker, and Director of Public Works Ron Austreng. Chief of Police Michael Sullivan and Engineer Ron Wolf were excused.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 3, 2008 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Motion made by Mr. Wojcik and seconded by Mr. Nieuwenhuis to approve the January 3, 2008 Regular Board meeting minutes. Voice vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 3, 2008 CLOSED BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Motion made by Mr. Wojcik and seconded by Mr. Dreier to approve the January 3, 2008 Closed Board meeting minutes. Voice vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

PREREGISTERED CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Dan Hoff, candidate for Outagamie County Circuit Judge in Branch II, spoke to the Board about his qualifications for the judicial post.

Kirk Kehl, of 229 N. Briggs St., told the Board that he does not agree with the Building Inspector's charges against his building permit escrow.

Mr. Mitchell reviewed the inspection record for Mr. Kehl's permit.

This item will be placed on the February 7th Village Board agenda.

LICENSES

First Presentation of Combination Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Liquor License

Mrs. Mischker stated that this is the first presentation of the Otter Creek Sports Bar & Grill LLC application for a Combination Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Liquor License for 224 W. Main St. Eddie's is currently at that address.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Facilities: Mr. Gitter reported on the January 9th meeting at which the Committee recommended by a split vote that the advertising sign on the back of the new scoreboard in Otto Miller Athletic Field be taken down. Mr. Gitter reviewed his reasoning for allowing the sign to stay while Mr. Lenzner stated that the sign is in violation of the Village ordinances. Mr. Dreier asked about how often scoreboard maintenance is required and was told by Mr. Austreng that there has not been any maintenance yet on the other scoreboards.

Chris Crivello of Graphic House asked if there will be another meeting before a final decision is made so she can gather more information.

Discussion of options on the sign question followed.

Motion made by Mr. Wojcik and seconded by Mr. Dreier to table this item until the March 6th Board meeting. Voice vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Mr. Gitter asked Mr. Austreng to report on the concession stand committee item. After reading that portion of the Committee minutes, Mr. Austreng stated that he needs the Board to decide how much the Village will spend on the project. A discussion of funding options followed. It was the consensus of the Board to have the Public Facilities Committee meet with Hortonville Youth

Sports and offer \$25,000 toward the project from the Village at a meeting to be held Tuesday, February 5th, at 5:30 p.m.

Public Safety: The January 15th meeting could not be held because a quorum of Committee members did not attend. Another meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, February 5th, at 5:00 p.m.

Black Otter Lake District: Mr. Handrich referred to the January 15th meeting minutes in the Board packets.

Hortonville-Hortonia Fire District: Mr. Dreier reported that a meeting was held January 15th. Another meeting is scheduled for January 22nd to award a contract to an architectural firm.

Industrial Park Construction/Marketing Report: Mr. Mitchell presented the report on current Industrial Park prospects.

Liquor License Business Violation/Complaints: The December report was filed with the Board.

Gold Cross Ambulance Report: The year-to-date report was filed with the Board.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Reimbursement for Required Training for Building Inspector [J. Everett Mitchell]

Motion made by Mr. Wojcik and seconded by Mr. Gitter to reimburse 1/6 of the schooling costs for the Building Inspector. Voice vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

WWTP Presentation by McMahon Associates [Kari Dennis, P.E./Ron Austreng]

The presentation took place during the Committee of the Whole.

Finalize Details of Land Purchase Costs

No action to be taken at this Board meeting.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

Administrator: 1. New Sign and Lights for 25 MPH Warning Sign Notified the Board that a new 25 MPH warning sign will be installed on STH 15 on the east side of the Village this summer. At that time an LED yellow lens will be installed above the new sign.

Referred to a letter from the Public Service Commission announcing an update of the utility chart of accounts for utilities in the state with the study and update costs to be borne by those utilities.

Clerk-Treasurer: 1. Presentation of Vouchers *Motion made by Mr. Wojcik and seconded by Mr. Gitter to approve Village wires and vouchers #12596-12687 in the amount of \$1,201,136.60, payroll checks in the amount of \$22,308.10, and Water & Sewer Utility vouchers #7540-7558 in the amount of \$23,317.96 as presented. Roll call vote: Gitter aye, Nieuwenhuis aye, Handrich aye, Dreier aye, Wojcik aye, Lenzner aye, and Retzlaff aye, motion carried.*

Director of Public Works: Reported that the Dept. is redoing the upstairs floor in Community Hall.

Building Permit Report: The December building permit report was filed with the Board.

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION (ROLL CALL VOTE)

Motion made by Mr. Wojcik and seconded by Mr. Gitter to go into Closed Session under State Statute 19.85(1)(e) "Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session." Specifically to discuss a possible business for

the Industrial Park. Roll call vote: Gitter aye, Nieuwenhuis aye, Handrich aye, Dreier aye, Wojcik aye, Lenzner aye, and Retzlaff aye, motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

8:50 p.m. – 8:56 p.m.

BOARD TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION (ROLL CALL VOTE)

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:56 p.m. from a motion made, seconded, and carried in Closed Session.

ANY ACTION ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mr. Wojcik and seconded by Mr. Dreier to adjourn. Voice vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Submitted by,

Lynne Mischker
Clerk-Treasurer