

Minutes of the Village Board Meeting
Aug. 22, 2022
Village Board Room

1. CALL TO ORDER BY VILLAGE PRESIDENT

Village President Burt McIntyre called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

President McIntyre called for a roll call. Present: Village President Burt R. McIntyre; Trustee Maria Lasecki, District 1; Trustee Cathy Hughes, District 3; Trustee John Muraski, District 4; Trustee Scott Beyer, District 5; Trustee Ray Suennen, District 6; Trustee Adam Lemorande, District 7; Trustee Craig McAllister, District 8

Virtually: Trustee Chris Nielsen, District 2

Staff: Paul Evert, Chris Haltom, Dave Wiese, Geoff Farr, Ed Janke, Leigh Ann Wagner Kroening

3. RECITE THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President McIntyre led the meeting in the pledge.

4. REPORT BY THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETING LAWS

President McIntyre read the following notice: Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.81-19.98, the Village Board is meeting to conduct public business. In accordance with state law, the meeting agenda was posted at Village Hall, other municipal buildings, and on the Village of Howard website and was also distributed to the local media and other requesters at least 24 business hours prior to the start of this meeting.

5. APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING

C. Hughes moved to approve the agenda. M. Lasecki seconded. **The motion carried unanimously.**

6. PUBLIC APPEARANCES

Kathy Schmocker, 2639 Woodale Ave., asked the board to consider adding public transit within the Village of Howard and gave an example of the need.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/ANNOUNCEMENTS (None)

8. COMMUNICATIONS (None)

9. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

A. Lemorande moved to approve the Consent Agenda. M. Lasecki seconded. C. McAllister pulled item 9I (iii).

The motion carried unanimously with the following items approved:

- a. Village Board meeting minutes from Aug. 8, 2022
- b. Plan Commission meeting minutes from Aug. 15, 2022
- c. Municipal invoices totaling \$2,239,582.87 paid with checks #75216-75323
- d. Operator Licenses for the following individuals:
 - i. Tammy L. Baker
 - ii. Helen E. Berg
 - iii. Jennifer M. Geiger
 - iv. Micah J. Thill
- e. The Class B Retailer License for the Howard Fire Auxiliary to host the beer tent at the Rock the Commons event 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sept. 4, 2022 at Howard Commons
- f. Construction change order #4 to MCC, Inc. for the Village Center 2nd Addition Road Contract involving a \$15,070.60 increase
- g. Construction change order #4 to Feaker & Sons for the Village Center 2nd Addition Utility Contract involving a \$1,225.00 decrease
- h. Construction change order #2 to Peters Concrete for the Cottages at Hidden Creek 1st Addition Utility Contract involving a \$43,893.97 decrease

- i. Construction change order #3 to KCG Excavating for the Cottages at Hidden Creek 1st Addition Road Contract involving an \$8,265.00 increase
- j. Construction change order #3 to McKeefrey & Sons Inc for the Evergreen Reconstruction Road Contract involving a \$4,101.33 increase
- k. Construction change order #4 to Dorner Inc. for the Evergreen Reconstruction Road Contract involving a \$16,743.43 decrease
- l. PLAN COMMISSION ITEMS *(The Plan Commission unanimously recommended approval of these items.)*
 - i. The request from Steve Bieda to rezone parcels VH-231, VH-231-2, VH-231-1 and VH-222 from R-5 Rural Estate Residential, R-1 Residential Single-Family, and A-1 Exclusive Agriculture to R-1 Residential Single Family, R-5 Rural Estate, and A-1 Exclusive Agriculture
 - ii. The Preliminary Plat of Stordeur Run Estates 3rd Addition
 - iii. ~~Ordinance amending Section 50-860(2) Attached Garage, Low density to allow accessory buildings over 1,600 square feet as a Conditional Use in the R-5 zoning district and Section 451(2) Conditional Uses listing garages over 1,600 square feet as a conditional use in the R-5 zoning district~~
 - iv. The right-of-way vacation for a portion of Rainbow Court

9l (iii) Action to amend Section 50-860(2) Attached Garage, Low density to allow accessory buildings over 1,600 square feet as a Conditional Use in the R-5 zoning district and Section 451(2) Conditional Uses listing garages over 1,600 square feet as a conditional use in the R-5 zoning district

C. McAllister said he doesn't agree with the recommended conditions that allow only for larger accessory buildings in a limited area of the village. He said he thinks any change to the ordinance should apply to all R-5 zoning districts in the village.

C. McAllister moved to approve Ordinance 2022-10, amending Sec. 50-860(2) to add an exception as a conditional use as allowed in 50-451(2) Accessory Buildings over 1600 square feet and in accordance with division 9 article II of this chapter, and Section 451 (2) g. Accessory buildings over 1600 square feet that meet the following standards:

- i. Minimum parcel size of 3 acres
- ~~ii. Properties without municipal sewer and water (remove)~~
- ~~iii. Parcels located east Brookfield Avenue and west of Lakeview Drive (remove)~~
- iv. Maximum building size of 5,000 square feet
- v. Building materials and design matching principle structure
- vi. Minimum 2-foot overhang

The motion died for lack of a second.

R. Suennen moved to approve Ordinance 2022-10 as written and recommended by the Plan Commission. The motion died for lack of a second.

C. McAllister moved to approve Ordinance 2022-10 as written and recommended by the Plan Commission removing only recommendation iii. Parcels located east of Brookfield Avenue and west of Lakeview Drive. B. McIntyre seconded.

J. Muraski moved to table the item until after the Comprehensive Plan is completed. R. Suennen seconded. **The motion to table carried 7-1 (C. McAllister voted no, and C. Hughes abstained.)**

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OR OLD BUSINESS ITEMS (None)

11. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

a. **Review and take action to consider law enforcement staffing in the proposed Public Safety referendum**

E. Janke discussed the problems with the existing police staffing levels, the increase in the call volumes with the growing community and the resulting decrease in proactive policing, and the goals for the future. The board discussed in depth. C. McAllister moved to consider law enforcement staffing in a future public safety referendum. S. Beyer seconded. **The motion carried unanimously.**

12. REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS

- a. C. Haltom provided the financial report for the period ending July 31, 2022 for the General Fund, Village Green Golf Course, and the Howard Commons Apartment. **No action was taken.**
- b. C. Haltom reviewed the known contracted and inflationary increases that will impact the 2023 Budget. **No action was taken.**

13. CLOSED SESSION

M. Lasecki moved to convene to closed session pursuant to Sec. 19.85(1)(e), Wis. Stats, to deliberate or negotiate the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or to conduct other specified public business to wit the potential purchase of a used vehicle from Pomasl Equipment. C. Hughes seconded. **The motion carried unanimously, and the board convened to closed session at 7:36 p.m.**

14. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION and take action, if needed, on items discussed in closed session.

M. Lasecki moved to return to open session. C. Hughes seconded. **The motion carried unanimously, and the board reconvened in closed session at 7:40 p.m.**

C. Hughes moved to approve the purchase of a used ambulance from Pomasl Equipment for \$55,150. M. Lasecki seconded. **The motion carried unanimously.**

15. ADJOURN THE MEETING

J. Muraski moved to adjourn. S. Beyer seconded. **The motion carried unanimously, and the board adjourned at 5:43 p.m.**

Leigh Ann Wagner Kroening
Administrative Assistant