

Meeting called to order by President Geno D'Agostino.

Members present: Geno D'Agostino, Caroline Rediske, Vera Bollinger, Josh Hallberg, Jeff Reed, Keith Swenson, Glen Jones.

No Public Comments

**Motion by Josh Hallberg to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Vera Bollinger. All in favor. Carried. Motion by Keith Swenson to approve March 2, 2015 regular board minutes as presented. Seconded by Caroline Rediske. All in favor. Carried.**

Village Auditor Brock Geyen presented the Audit Report Summary for the Financial Statement and Supplementary Information Year ending 12-31-14. Geyen gave a detailed report of the summary, explained current standings and recommendations; provided answers to questions from Trustees.

Monthly Fire Report presented by Fire Chief Anderson.

Monthly Police Report presented by Police Chief Thompson. Officer Nicholas Livingston was introduced to the board.

Monthly Library Report presented by Linda Heimstead.

Monthly Chamber of Commerce Report presented by Steve Williams.

To consider and possibly act to approve Amplified Device Permit 15-01 tabled from the March 2<sup>nd</sup> Village Board Meeting. The Balsam Lake Chamber of Commerce has requested to play live music on July 3<sup>rd</sup> on Main Street from 9:00 pm to 1:00 am, one hour longer than the restricted hour of 12:00 am. Discussion was held on the validity of amending the existing ordinance. **Motion by Jeff Reed to approve Amplified Device Permit 15-01 according to the existing ordinance. Seconded by Keith Swenson. All in favor. Carried.**

Finance Labor Committee report was given by Josh Hallberg. The committee met on March 10<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> to consider the possible sale of Village owned land. Upon consulting with legal counsel the committee authorized placing an ad in the Ledger newspaper for two weeks considering the sale of property located at 401 Main Street, RE Parcel 106-279-0000. Interested parties to contact the Village in writing by close of business April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015. The committee is not considering bonding an additional \$150,000 at this time to develop the property at 101 First Ave East as there is no agreement in hand.

Resolution 2015-01, Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of \$1,170,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015A was brought before the board for approval. Patrick Malloy, Financial Specialist with Ehlers Associates presented the Sale Day Report for Village of Balsam Lake, \$1,120,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015A dated 4/13/15. Malloy stated there was good interest with five bids received with very good results. The principal amount is reduced to \$1,120,000, a saving percentage of 12.512%, which will solve cash flow concerns. **Motion by Caroline Rediske to approve Resolution 2015-01 Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of \$1,120,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2015A. Seconded by Vera Bollinger. On roll call: Caroline Rediske, yes; Vera Bollinger, yes; Josh Hallberg, yes; Jeff Reed, yes; Keith Swenson, yes; Glen Jones, yes; Geno D'Agostino, yes. Carried.**

Smart Growth Committee report was given by Jeff Reed. The committee discussed submitting an application to the Connect Communities program. Discussion was held with Herb & Dave Dirks on a proposed bulk dry food store with space for a heating and cooling business. If a space is available they may be interested in leasing.

Park Rec Committee report was given by Caroline Rediske. The committee discussed hiring a park attendant at a 40/60 rate per background check for 2015. New park entrance signs are being erected this spring as well as new signage for the walking trail system. Benches and a kiosk are being created for the disk golf course by an Eagle Scout. Discussion was held on connecting the walking trail between the ball field in Pine Park and the gravel road by the sewer plant. A disc golf tournament sponsored by the BLCC will take place on September 19, 2015. **Motion by Jeff Reed to approve hiring a park attendant for Pine Park as presented at a 40/60 rate pending background check for 2015. Seconded by Glen Jones. All in favor. Carried.**

Public Protection report was given by Glen Jones. Fire Chief Mark Anderson asked the committee to consider and possibly act to approve a major repair and renovation to the grass fire truck by Kirvida Fire and an alumina flat bed. The Fire Department has sufficient funds for the purchases. The Public Protection recommends to the Village Board to approve the repair and renovation of the grass fire truck for \$11,485.00 and flat bed for \$3,300.00. The Fire Department requests approval for the purchase of two pagers. The Public Protection recommends to the Village Board to approve the purchase of two pagers for \$813.50 from DSC Communications. Discussion was held on amending Ordinance Chapter 286 Vehicles and Traffic pertaining to snowmobile operations, snowmobile routes and speed limit with the Village. The Public Protection committee recommends to the Village Board to approve the Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 286 Vehicles and Traffic. The committee discussed approving Tom Thompson to instruct DNR safety courses. The DNR hopes the Village will support Tom Thompson in providing safety course to interested persons in the community. The Public Protection committee recommends to the Village Board to approve Tom Thompson to instruct DNR safety courses. Discussion was held on approving a Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement. The intent of this agreement is to make equipment, personnel and other resources available to neighboring law enforcement agencies. The Public Protection committee recommends to the Village Board to approve the Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement. **Motion by Caroline Rediske to approve Public Protection recommendation to repair and the renovation of grass fire truck and flatbed as presented. Seconded by Vera Bollinger. All in favor. Carried. Motion by Vera Bollinger to approve Public Protection recommendation to purchase two pagers for the Fire Department as presented. Seconded by Keith Swenson. All in favor. Carried.** Regarding the ordinance amendment it was clarified that snowmobilers would be given the same status as 4-wheelers. **Motion by Jeff Reed to approve Public Protection recommendation to amend Ordinance 286 Vehicles and Traffic 286-8 Snowmobiles. Ordinance Amendment 2015-01. Seconded by Caroline Rediske. On roll call: Caroline Rediske, yes; Vera Bollinger, yes; Josh Hallberg, yes; Jeff Reed, yes; Keith Swenson, yes; Glen Jones, yes; Geno D'Agostino, yes. Carried.** Discussion was held with Chief Tom Thompson regarding instructing DNR safety courses and the cost to the Village for Chief Thompson's wages. **Motion by Keith Swenson to table authorizing Tom Thompson to instruct DNR safety courses until more details regarding time and wages are received from Tom Thompson. Seconded by Jeff Reed. All in favor. Carried.**

Sign Permit 15-03 and 15-04 Family Dollar Store was considered by the Board. **Motion by Keith Swenson to approve Sign Permit 15-03 and 15-04 as presented. Seconded by Glen Jones. All in favor. Carried.**

A proposal from Ayres Associates for professional service to conduct an inspection of the Balsam Lake Dam for a fee of \$1,900.00 was considered. **Motion by Jeff Reed to approve proposal from Ayres Associates as presented. Seconded by Keith Swenson. All in favor. Carried.**

To consider and possibly act to approve appointment of Guy Williams to the Zoning Board of Appeals. **Motion by Josh Hallberg to appoint Guy Williams to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Seconded by Vera Bollinger. All in favor. Carried.**

To consider and possibly act to approve Drew Wheeler to the part time public work crew position. **Motion by Caroline Rediske to approve Drew Wheeler to the part time public works crew position. Seconded by Vera Bollinger. All in favor. Carried.**

To consider and possibly act to approve March 2015 Treasurers Report. **Motion by Jeff Reed to approve March 2015 Treasurers Report. Seconded by Vera Bollinger. All in favor. Carried.**

No Committee meetings for April:

Announcements: President Geno D'Agostino expressed appreciation to Josh Hallberg and Keith Swenson for their years of public service. Congratulations were extended to newly elected trustees, Vera Bollinger, Faye Brittan and Kathy Poirier.

Motion to adjourn by Jeff Reed. Seconded by Josh Hallberg. Carried.