

Village of Balsam Lake Public Hearing
Monday November 10, 2014 6:45 – 7:00 pm

Unapproved minutes

The Village Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed budget for 2015. A summary of the proposed budget and a detailed account of the proposed budget may be inspected.

Meeting called to order by President Geno D'Agostino.

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

No public comments were heard.

Motion to adjourn by Caroline Rediske. Seconded by Keith Swenson. All in favor. Carried.

Village of Balsam Lake Village Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting of Trustees Monday November 10, 2014 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm

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

Motion by Jeff Reed to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Caroline Rediske. All in favor. Carried.

Minutes from the October 6th regular board meeting were presented. **Motion by Keith Swenson to approve the board minutes as presented. Seconded by Caroline Rediske. All in favor. Carried.**

No Monthly Fire Report.

Monthly Police Report presented by Trustee Glen Jones.

Monthly Library Report submitted by Director Linda Heimstead.

Monthly Chamber of Commerce Report presented by Trustee Glen Jones. The annual Christmas party will be held again this year at Indianhead Lodge. Santa Days will be held on November 29th at 11:00 at Now & Then Photography. The Chamber will have a new website soon.

Public Works Committee report was given by Keith Swenson. A thank you letter was sent to Karlson Formliners for their donation of material, paint and labor for the stone work at the new bridge constructed in 2014. The bridge is scheduled for paint in the spring of 2015. Discussion was held on drainage options on Old Courthouse Avenue. Two preliminary estimates from Cedar Corporation were reviewed. Option 2C-Construct new roof drain system for an estimated cost of \$15,700.00 and Option 2E-Reconstruct Old Courthouse Drive for an estimated cost of \$25,610.00. The committee recommends to approve the estimate 2E to reconstruct Old Courthouse Drive in 2015 as the better option for the Village. **Motion by Caroline Rediske to move forward with the reconstruction of Old Courthouse Drive in 2015. Seconded by Glen Jones. All in favor. Carried.**

Smart Growth & Economic Development Commission report was given by Jeff Reed. Discussion was held on the Grocers Association Expo at Wisconsin Dells October 14th – 15th. Jeff Reed, Chris Nelson, Kris Harder and Darryl Ince attended the expo which was a great success. The committee recommends to consider drafting a letter of intent with the property owners of the proposed grocery site and consult with the Village Attorney. **Motion by Keith Swenson to approved the Village Attorney to draft a letter of intent. Seconded by Jeff Reed. On roll call: Caroline Rediske, yes; Josh Hallberg, yes; Jeff Reed, yes; Keith Swenson, yes; Glen Jones, yes and Geno D'Agostino, yes. Carried.**

Finance Labor Committee report was given by Josh Hallberg. The committee held three meetings this month to discuss the proposed 2015 budget with Village auditor, Brock Geyden; health insurance renewal for Village employees beginning December 1st, and wage increases for Village employees. The following wage increase and salaries were approved by the committee:

Darryl Ince, DPW	\$60,000 salary
Lori Duncan, Clerk Treasurer	\$47,500 salary
Cody Korsan, Asst DPW	\$22.50 an hour, 1% increase
Tim Moore, Street Crew	\$21.54 an hour, 1% increase
Tom Thompson, Police Chief	\$53,000 salary, 2% increase
Mary Kjeseth, Deputy Clerk Treas	\$18.02 an hour, .05% increase

Motion by Keith Swenson to approve the wage increases for Village employees as stated. Seconded by Caroline Rediske. All in favor. Carried. The committee met with Carol Alderman, Jensen-Sundquist Insurance Agency and Pam Stratmoen, Cental Insurance to discuss health insurance options for full time Village employees. **Motion by Keith Swenson to approve the health insurance plan for Village employees with Jensen Sundquist Insurance Agency with the Medica H.A.S. Renewal option \$1750.00 ded/no Copay and to put \$1,000 per employee into the H.S.A. for startup costs. Seconded by Glen Jones. All in favor. Carried.** The proposed budget with a tax levy of \$616,233 was presented at a public hearing held before the board meeting. Discussion was held on the proposed 2015 part time police and vehicle capital equipment budget. The part time police budget increased from 16,000 to 32,000 and the vehicle capital equipment increased from 2,500 to 5,000. No changes were made to the police budget. **Motion made by Jeff Reed to approve the 2015 budget with a tax levy of \$616,223.00. Seconded by Caroline Rediske. On roll call: Caroline Rediske, yes; Josh Hallberg, no; Jeff Reed, yes; Keith Swenson, yes; Glen Jones, yes and Geno D'Agostino, yes. Carried.**

Public Protection Committee report was given by Glen Jones. The committee will begin working on two ordinance amendments: an ordinance amendment to not allow a leashed dog to go within 4' onto a private property from the street and creation of a new ordinance pertaining to rental dwelling licensing.

Park & Recreation Committee report was given by Caroline Rediske. The committee met to discuss acquisition of playground equipment for Pine Park from Minnesota Wisconsin Playground in the amount of \$89,580.00. The Village has received a grant from Game Time in the amount of \$38,019.00. Discussion was held on how to finance the Village share of \$51,561.00 for the equipment, \$10,879.00 for the shredded rubber surfacing and \$2,750.00 for shipping costs for a total cost of \$65,190.00. The committee approved a Resolution to authorize an advance of \$45,000 from the Village's State Trust Fund Savings Account. Repayment of the advance shall occur at a rate of \$5,000 per year for a period of 9 years. The Parks department also has \$18,800.00 in the capital equipment fund which was put aside for the acquisition of playground equipment. **Motion made by Keith Swenson to approve the purchase of playground equipment from Minnesota Wisconsin Playground in the amount of \$89,580.00. Seconded by Glen Jones. All in favor. Carried. Motion made by Josh Hallberg to approve Resolution 2014-03 authorizing an advance from the Village State Trust Savings Account for the purpose of purchasing playground equipment in the amount of \$45,000.00. Seconded by Jeff Reed. All in favor. Carried. Motion made by Jeff Reed to approve earth tone colors for the playground equipment. Seconded by Glen Jones. All in favor. Carried.**

To consider and possibly act to approve October 2014 Treasurers Report. **Motion by Jeff Reed to approve October 2014 Treasurers Report. Seconded by Keith Swenson. All in favor. Carried.**

To consider and possibly act to approve October 2014 Operators License Report. **Motion by Keith Swenson to approve Operators License report for October. Seconded by Caroline Rediske. All in favor. Carried.**

Committee meetings set for November:

November 19 th	4:00 pm	Public Protection	Part time police budget
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Motion to adjourn by Caroline Rediske. Seconded by Josh Hallberg. Carried.
Lori Duncan, Clerk-Treasurer