

Meeting called to order by President Geno D'Agostino.

Unapproved minutes

Members present: Geno D'Agostino, Caroline Rediske, Rod Preble, Kathy Poirier, Faye Brittan, Steve Biza.

Public Comments: A couple who is interested in opening up a grocery store in Balsam Lake asked to meet with the board.

Motion by Faye Brittan to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Steve Biza. All in favor. Carried. Minutes from the previous board meeting were presented. **Motion by Kathy Poirier to approve the board minutes as presented. Seconded by Faye Brittan. All in favor. Carried.**

A power point presentation was presented by Chad Alberg regarding geese management. There were 4 options given: the Village should post signs up stating feeding the geese is prohibited; the Village should continue the wild game harvesting season; the Village could apply for a permit to oil the geese eggs; and in late June the Village could apply for a permit to round up the geese. **Motion by Caroline Rediske to apply for both methods of geese control. Seconded by Steve Biza. All in favor. Carried.**

Paradise Landing requested permission to extend their alcohol beverage license for the weekend of Winterfest February 10th. Discussion was held on the diagram outlining the extended area on the ice north and west of their shoreline. **Motion by Rod Preble to authorize Paradise Landing to extend their alcohol beverage license within the drag lines and straight across to the pit area. Seconded by Kathy Poirier. On roll call: Caroline Rediske, yes; Rod Preble, yes; Kathy Poirier, yes; Faye Brittan, yes; Steve Biza, no; Geno D'Agostino, yes. Carried.**

Dave Rasmussen, MSA gave a report regarding values and tax increments in the TIF 5 & TIF 6 Districts. The property at 101 First Avenue East is in both TIF Districts and is up for sale. The use of Tax Increment Financing is an available funding tool to assist with redevelopment projects. This property is in the Redevelopment Plan and is a priority redevelopment site within the plan. **Motion by Rod Preble to set up an AdHoc Committee to pursue purchasing the property at 101 First Avenue East. Seconded by Caroline Rediske. All in favor. Carried.** The AdHoc Committee members will be: Rod Preble, Steve Biza and Caroline Rediske.

Monthly Fire Report presented by Chief Brad Williamson.

Monthly Police Report presented by Chief Tom Thompson.

To consider and possibly act to approve Police Chief Thompson's recommendation for the full time police officer position. Police Chief Thomson's recommendation is Shaun Thayer. **Motion by Rod Preble to approve Shaun Thayer as the full time police officer at the starting pay of \$23.50 per hour and the part-time officer wages at \$20.00 per hour. Seconded by Steve Biza. On roll call: Caroline Rediske, yes; Rod Preble, yes; Kathy Poirier, yes; Faye Brittan, yes; Steve Biza, yes; Geno D'Agostino, yes. Carried.**

Monthly Library Report presented by Director Linda Heimstead.

Monthly Chamber of Commerce Report by President Steve Williams.

To consider and possibly act to approve Temporary Class B Beer License for the Balsam Lake Area Chamber of Commerce on February 10, 2018 for the Winterfest event. **Motion by Kathy Poirier to**

approve the Temporary Class B Beer License for the Balsam Lake Area Chamber of Commerce on February 10th, 2018. Seconded by Faye Brittan. All in favor. Carried.

To consider and possibly act to approve Amplified Device Permit for the Balsam lake Area Chamber of Commerce on February 10th, 2018 for the Winterfest event. **Motion by Faye Brittan to approve the Amplified Device Permit for the Balsam Lake Area Chamber of Commerce on February 10th, 2018. Seconded by Caroline Rediske. All in favor. Carried.**

Public Protection/Finance Labor Committee report was given by Kathy Poirier and Rod Preble. Discussion was held with Chief Thompson regarding the hiring process and the proposed timeline for the full time police officer. Clarification was made regarding the additional contribution of \$7500 per year the Balsam Lake Township makes to the Village for fire protection services. Committee members reviewed DOT fire truck inspection reports with Chief Williamson. The Fire Department is in dire need of a new tanker truck. Removal of the wording Zoning Administrator was made on the Director of Public Works job description. Discussion was held on definition and responsibilities of the public protection committee.

Park & Recreation Committee report was given by Caroline Rediske. Discussion was held on the walking trail from the beach to Old Courthouse Drive and a bid from ProLawn in the amount of \$2,485.00 was approved. The project will begin in the spring.

To consider and possibly act to appoint chair of the Smart Growth Commission. **Motion by Caroline Rediske to approve Steve Biza to chairman of the Smart Growth Commission. Seconded by Rod Preble. Steve Biza abstains; all else in favor.**

To consider and possibly act to appoint trustee to fill vacancy on the Smart Growth Commission. **Motion by Caroline Rediske to appoint Faye Brittan to the Smart Growth Commission. Seconded by Steve Biza. Faye Brittan abstains; all else in favor.**

To consider and possibly act to appoint Judy Swenson to the Zoning Board of Appeals. **Motion by Steve Biza to appoint Judy Swenson to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Seconded by Rod Preble. All in favor. Carried.**

To consider and possibly act to appoint Darice Cadogan as the 2018 Chief Election Inspector. **Motion by Kathy Poirier to appoint Darice Cadogan as the 2018 Chief Election Inspector. Seconded by Faye Brittan. All in favor. Carried.**

To consider and possibly act to appoint 2018 poll workers. **Motion by Steve Biza to appoint Audrey Laue, Erlene Johnson, Mary Tilton, Debbie Schauer, Phyllis Peterson and Diane Voltz as the 2018 poll workers. Seconded by Kathy Poirier. All in favor. Carried.**

To consider and possibly act to approve December 2017 Treasurers Report. **Motion by Steve Biza to approve December 2017 Treasurers Report. Seconded by Faye Brittan. All in favor. Carried.**

To consider and possibly act to approve operator license #1051-1059. **Motion by Rod Preble to approve operator license #1051-1059. Seconded by Steve Biza. All in favor. Carried.**

January Committee Meetings: AdHoc committee meeting Thursday January 11th, 2018 at 4:00 pm; Public Protection committee meeting Thursday January 11th, 2018 at 5:00 pm; Zoning Board of Appeals meeting Thursday January 11th, 2018 at 7:00 pm; Public Works committee meeting Monday January 15th, 2018 at 8:30 am; Smart Growth Commission meeting Thursday January 18th at 5:00 pm.

Motion by Faye Brittan to adjourn. Seconded by Rod Preble. Carried. Lori Duncan, Clerk Treasurer