

VILLAGE OF EAGLE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
"APPROVED" MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 11, 2008

President Spurrell called the monthly meeting of the Eagle Village Board to order at 7:33 p.m. Clerk Mealy confirmed Open Meeting Law requirements. Roll was taken: Couch, Scheff, Rick, B. Spurrell, Thomas, R. Spurrell – present; Salmela – excused. Following a moment of silence in remembrance of 9/11, Trustee Rice led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the August 14th meeting were reviewed. Trustee Scheff noted that under Planning Commission, tabling approval of the final plat for Parish Hill etc, he also made mention that he wanted the Village's engineers to take members of the Board physically up to the site to take a look at where they were going to put the holding ponds to see if there is a problem with the pond or if it was to ever overflow, where the water was going to go and who potentially could have damage because of it. He would like this statement added to the minutes. President Spurrell will contact the engineers and set up a meeting.

Still on the minutes, Scheff in referring to Police Committee, mid-paragraph, it stated referring to Trustee Couch, "He also expressed concern with the Temporary Class B Picnic license issue to the Horseshoe Tournament..." Because this is a common thing to be issued when you are going to sell malt beverages in the park, Scheff stated he did not believe it should be included in the minutes. For the record, Couch stated it is there because he was asking the difference between that and Kettle Moraine Days. Also for the record, Couch stated he expressed that he wanted to find the difference between the Class B license for open intoxicants, and that was what he was talking about. Referring to the same sentence in the unapproved minutes where it states about "open drinking during the tournament, Scheff stated that this also should not be included in the minutes because it was hearsay. After Couch attempted to justify why it was in the minutes and Scheff why it should not be, President Spurrell interjected and stated that the minutes reflect what Trustee Couch had stated and what was discussed. He also stated that if clarification needs to be made, the Board can do that, however he did not feel that you can delete something just because a Trustee doesn't like what was stated. After further discussion regarding Class B licenses in general, Kettle Moraine Days, the parade, the Horseshoe Tournament, and things that occurred during those events, President Spurrell presented the following statement for clarification purposes minutes: "He, (referring to Couch) expressed concerns of the definition and enforcement of Class B licenses, including at events such as Kettle Moraine Days and the Horseshoe Tournament."

Trustee Rice then made a motion to accept the minutes of the August 14th meeting with the clarification (as described above). Scheff seconded; motion carried on a 5-1 vote with Couch voting no.

The year-to-date treasurer's report, including September monthly disbursements (Ck. #'s 13348-13378) was reviewed. Trustee Rice raised a question regarding the over-expended engineering account. He was told that there is approximately \$10,000 in outstanding receivables from various developers. Moved by B. Spurrell to approve the treasurer's report and the monthly accounts payable as submitted. Rice seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Comments: Jan Suhm, Suhmer's Saloon, expressed concern over the police squad sitting across the street from their establishment for anywhere from 1-2 hours on Fridays or Saturdays, and have also on occasions seen an officer entering their private parking lot and taking down license plate numbers; customers often turn away when they see this. She indicated that the businesses and police should work together not against each other. President Spurrell stated that another bar establishment has also expressed the same concern, different location, and that this will be referred back to the Police Committee who can address this issue at the next meeting and hopefully all the owners can discuss their concerns and ideas of how a peace can be obtained and keep the owners happy as well.

Announcements: President Spurrell reported that Personnel and Finance is working on the 2009 budget and reminded department chairpersons to submit their budgets if they hadn't done so already.

Trustee Rice announced that they are in the planning stages for Halloween Harvest which will be held on October 25th from 2:00-5:00. The event is being sponsored by the Historical Society, Fire Dept., Police Dept., Methodist Church, the Library, Park & Rec and the Eagle Business Association. For more information, he is the contact person.

Trustee Thomas had distributed materials to all of the other Board members including a newspaper article in which our Director, Heather reported on working with other groups allowing more classes to be offered.

Police Chief Ehlers reported first on the bad news; Sgt. Bord has a possible herniated disc as a result of injuries received while on duty. For good news, the Chief has received 100% good feedback about the article he placed in the Mukwonago Chief and he emphasized the importance of having a full-time 3rd shift officer. He then stated that he contacted Linda Wainstock from Waukesha County Solid Waste and Recycling and she is thrilled about the pilot program in the Village to help reduce the amount of recyclable materials that are being scavenged and has requested a copy of our newsletter so that she can share this with all municipalities throughout the County. Ehlers also reported that he had sent a letter to Trustee Rice regarding the "kill-joy" activities at his stopping the Class B establishments from selling alcohol at the parade. For the record, he stated that he is an advocate of watching our citizens enjoy the parade and that maybe at the ordinance level we can readdress the ordinance and get some feedback from the tavern owners and readdress the ordinance that prohibits outside drinking and hopefully look for that formula that keeps everyone happy. Finally, the Chief stated the Committee had discussed this briefly, but years ago as a deputy, he ran a column called "Behind the Badge" in the Sussex Sun; it was a great public relations tool for the Sheriff's Department. He recently ran "Behind the Badge" in the Mukwonago Chief; it is an informational column where people can respond or ask questions and then the Chief will respond. He plans on continuing the column and noted that he will be doing this on his own time.

Trustee Scheff extended special thanks to the police department and the three (3) officers, Bord, Bruckner, and Duffy for taking care of the rash of auto vandalisms; it was over the top performance by these three (3) individuals.

Tom Day was not in attendance to do a presentation of the Mukwonago River Watershed Nutrient Study; President Spurrell reserved the right to come back to this item if Mr. Day shows up later.

Committee Reports:

Park & Rec –Moved by B. Spurrell, seconded by Scheff to set Friday, December 12th for the annual children’s X-mas party to visit Santa. Motion carries.

Park – President Spurrell stated he placed this item on the agenda because of the concerns with Wyndham Fields, Calico Fields and last week the Board had discussed getting costs to put berms in the park. He learned that instead of obtaining bids, the DPW Superintendent can do it at a cost of approximately \$300.00, for the dirt, erosion mat etc. There would be three (3) berms constructed, one (1) behind the play area, one (1) closest to the road and one (1) where the park meets Calico. Discussion followed regarding placement and cost. President Spurrell stated that this is not meant to be a “cure all” but it should alleviate some of the problem. Moved by Thomas to approve a cost of not more than \$500 for the DPW Superintendent to create berms in the ditch areas in the park. B. Spurrell seconded. Motion carries.

Development Assistance –Chairman Couch reported that the committee had met with Brian Cummings from Redmond, regarding retail development, essentially a grocery store. During that meeting, Mr. Cummings recommended that the Village contact a firm in Milwaukee to obtain a market study. Discussion followed regarding various stores, the type of market study needed, costs involved and the need and importance for interested parties to have this type of information. Moved by B. Spurrell to go ahead and get the study; Scheff seconded. Under further discussion, President Spurrell suggested that a limit be put on the cost. He indicated that the cost would fall under land planning which has a balance of \$6,500 at this time. B. Spurrell then amended her motion and Scheff his second to include that the cost be limited to \$5,000. Motion carries.

Trustee Thomas because they were on the subject of development assistance stated that the park & rec sign still has no electricity. This was put off because the Board had earlier discussed the possibility of re-locating the entrance into the Municipal Building to line up with Sutton Drive. Following discussion relating to this and the retail development, it was the consensus of the Board that the Park & Rec Committee be patient with the lighting.

Library – Trustee Scheff reported that the Town of Eagle has approved the County Resolution and stated that it is in the best interest of Village to do the same. because basically if the Village would not, we would be assessed another tax by the County. Reviewing the rate, equalized value and what was actually budgeted last year, this amount that we would be guaranteeing the Library is less than what we actually spend. Motion by Scheff to approve

Resolution 2008-02 To Certify That The Village Shall Provide for And Allow The Library To Expend No Less Than The County Rate in the Prior Year. Thomas seconded. Motion carries.

Streets & Sidewalks – Trustee Couch reported that a bid was received from Gaver's Pavers for the asphaltting around the Visitor/Welcome Center that is \$1300 below the other two (2) bids. Letters have been mailed to the Legion and the other entities, the Telephone Company and Citgo about their cost for the complete project; the total cost of the project is \$22,973. It includes asphaltting the area from Partridge through to Hwy 59 and includes the right-of-way. It does not include the concrete sidewalk, of which the Lions Club has been informed. Couch then presented a breakdown of the figures, and the amount that was budgeted from the Water Utility and Streets. The amount that would be needed for the asphaltting of the right-of-way is \$2,500 and would be taken from the Street budget. Discussion followed. Moved by Rice to approve the \$2,500 expenditure from the Street budget for the paving of the right-of-way. Scheff seconded. Motion carries.

Referring to the South Street Project, Couch informed the Board that a letter has been sent to Mr. Dingle regarding a possible special assessment.

Joint Smart Growth – Trustee Rice reported that the Committee is working on Chapter 5 and will be meeting on September 15th. Chapters 1-3 will be reviewed by Planning on the 23rd.

Police & Licensing – Chief Ehlers in addressing space needs stated that the other half of the old Video Store (approximately 800 sq. ft.) is potentially available, at a cost of \$650/mo. The location provides for high visibility and is a temporary solution. He also informed the Board that in speaking with Ruckert-Mielke, impact fees cannot be used. Discussion followed. Moved by Scheff, seconded by Couch to proceed with a confirmation for the owner. Where the money would come from was reviewed with Couch noting the remaining balance in the total Police Budget through August. Further discussion followed. President Spurrell indicated that it is a police expenditure and felt that it should come from the Police budget. Other options to address more permanent solutions to the space needs were then reviewed. Returning back to the original motion it was determined that the lease expenditure would come from the Police budget. Motion carried.

Draft #1 of the department's 2009 budget was distributed and includes a full-time 3rd shift position.

Fire Commission – President Spurrell reported that you can look at Paid-on-Call as one 1) of two (2) things, a thing of the past or a thing of the future. He indicated the Town referendum failed on a 2-1 ratio. With that, it will not be addressed for 2009, but the Commission will be looking at it during the year. Secondly, he wanted to update the Board on Highway Emergency Response Billing. WI State Statute does allow to bill when the ambulance is called. The Department currently does bill out for ambulance calls, however if a fire or equipment truck is called out, it does not get billed out. The Statute does allow to bill out for a fire concern, car accident etc. if it occurs in an area abutting a State Highway. He presented an overview of how the State Statute can be utilized to generate revenues. He informed the Board that the Fire Department will be charging for accidents etc. that abutts any State Highway within the Village limits.

Personnel & Finance – The Committee had met before this meeting and will be meeting more often because of budget time, but they did discuss the office copier because problems were being encountered with printers. When looking at replacing the printers, Trustee Thomas looked into a copier that would have printing capabilities. The existing copier does not have this and to upgrade, would be too costly. The current service agreement is up in either June or July; after the agreement is up, part replacement is not guaranteed. One of the options, which the Committee is recommending is to lease a new one with a service agreement including 15,000 pages per quarter at a cost of \$140.27/mo. The copier has the capability to be hooked up to the computer for printing/scanning of documents. Couch made a motion to approve the lease/purchase as recommended. Scheff seconded. Under further discussion, Trustee Scheff indicated that in lieu of the Police Department moving, he will contact the representative to reduce the number of pages and perhaps the cost. The \$420.00 for this year's portion will be taken from the Office Supplies account. Motion carried.

President Spurrell distributed draft copies of the 2009 budget indicating an approximate deficit of \$2,000. He reminded everyone that this does not include police department figures, salaries; library is at 4% but may be coming down, and park & will probably stay the same. Trustee Scheff commented that for the Street budget, he would like to see a surplus built for future projects. Spurrell indicated this budget is preliminary, and by no means final. Using the tax base of \$753,177, the tax rate would stay the same. Final figures will not be known until early to mid November when State figures are received.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m. on a Scheff/Thomas motion. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Mealy
Clerk/Treasurer