

**VILLAGE OF THIENSVILLE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES**

**DATE:** Monday, February 17, 2020

**LOCATION:** 250 Elm Street  
Thiensville, WI

**TIME:** 6:00 PM

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

President Mobley called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

**II. ROLL CALL**

President:	Van Mobley	
Trustees:	Samuel Azinger	Rob Holyoke
	Kristina Eckert	Kenneth Kucharski
	Ronald Heinritz	David Lange
Administrator:	Colleen Landisch-Hansen	
Attorney:	Tim Schoonenberg	
Staff:	Police Chief Curt Kleppin	
	Director of Community Services/Public Works Andy LaFond	
	Village Clerk/Deputy Treasurer Amy Langlois	

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Trustee Holyoke led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

<b>CONSENT AGENDA</b>
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Upon request of any Trustee, any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda for special consideration.

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. Board of Trustees**
  - 1. January 20, 2020
  
- B. Special Board of Trustees**
  - 1. February 3, 2020

**V. DEPARTMENT REPORTS (Receipt)**

- A. Department Reports (Receipt)**
  - 1. Fire Department
    - a. N/A
  - 2. Police Department
    - a. January Police, 2020
  - 3. Public Works Department
    - a. January DPW, 2020

**VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. **Committee of the Whole**
  - 1. February 3, 2020

**VII. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. **Historic Preservation Commission**
  - 1. December 11, 2019
  - 2. January 15, 2020
- B. **Mequon-Thiensville Bike and Pedestrian Way Commission**
  - 1. December 5, 2019
  - 2. January 9, 2020
- C. **Milwaukee River Advisory Committee**
  - 1. October 24, 2019
  - 2. January 15, 2020 (not available)
- D. **Plan Commission**
  - 1. December 3, 2019
  - 2. January 7, 2020
  - 3. January 21, 2020
- E. **Capital Expenditures**

Two new requests include a request from the Police Department to purchase a Ford F-150 Police Responder XL 4WD SuperCrew. This will replace the Crown Victoria and will be their unmarked vehicle. The amount requested is \$34,837.00. The Fire Department is requesting ambulance iPad mounting brackets in the amount of \$692.20.

**MOTION** by Trustee Holyoke, **SECONDED** by Trustee Azinger to approve the Consent Agenda. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

<b>BUSINESS AGENDA</b>
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**VIII. FINANCIAL REPORTS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

- A. **Accounts Payable for All Funds**
  - 1. **Accounts Payable**
    - a. January 20, 2020 through February 14, 2020

**MOTION** by Trustee Lange, **SECONDED** by Trustee Heinritz to approve the Accounts Payable for January 20, 2020 through February 14, 2020 in the Amount of \$312,804.72. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- 2. **Financial Report (Receipt)**
  - a. January, 2020 (not available)

**IX. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

**X. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

- A. Department Reports**  
1. Administrator's Report

Administrator Landisch-Hansen shared that the 2020 Spring Primary will be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2020. There is one race on the ballot for Justice of the Supreme Court.

The State of the Community will be held at the River Club on March 4, 2020.

The Village audit was held last week.

2. Building Inspection Department (Receipt)  
a. February, 2020 Report

The Building Inspection Department report was received.

**XI. ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

No Attorney's report.

**XII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. State of Mequon-Thiensville School District Update, Dr. Joynt, Referendum on 2020 Spring Election Ballot**

Dr. Joynt, Superintendent of the Mequon-Thiensville School District provided an update to the Board regarding the upcoming referendum question that will be placed on the April 7, 2020 Spring Election Ballot. In January the Mequon-Thiensville School Board voted unanimously to place a referendum question on the ballot.

Three items that Dr. Joynt highlighted are as follows:

1. Student enrollment in the schools has long been a community-wide focus. It is now exciting to be challenged by the capacity of the elementary schools.
2. It is a long-standing commitment on the part of the school district to be good district stewards of resident tax dollars, and the District is cognizant that asking for a referendum is a significant and substantial request.
3. Community engagement is extremely important.

The process to arrive at a referendum question included the input, advice and perspectives from a broad and diverse array of community members. The school district includes seven buildings: three elementary schools, two middle schools, one high school and a community recreation center. All facilities were originally built between 1955 and 1968. While all are well maintained, they do require ongoing attention.

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Each of the elementary schools are operating near or over ideal capacity. A series of studies predict that enrollment will increase by more than 350 students in the next 10 years. Most of this growth is expected at the elementary level. A community task force was formed to identify the needs and next steps. The community task force was comprised of about 20 Mequon and Thiensville residents. The recommendations from the task force indicated that the district should take action to: address overcapacities at the elementary schools as well schedule and capacity issues at the middle schools, to improve the accessibility for those with mobility impairments and to improve traffic safety of all campuses.

All community stakeholders were asked to review the district's facility needs, consider possible solutions and provide input and feedback via a survey. In short, 85% of the survey respondents believe that the district's facility needs must be addressed now, and 80% of survey respondents encouraged the district to move forward with a plan to address our most critical space, safety and security challenges.

On Monday, January 27, 2020 the Mequon-Thiensville School District Board of Education voted unanimously to place a referendum question on the ballot on Tuesday, April 7, 2020. The question on the ballot will ask residents of Mequon and Thiensville to consider a referendum for \$55.7 million in general obligation bonds with a 20-year term for the purpose of a district-wide school facilities improvement project. In short, the referendum will have a tax impact of \$30 per year on every \$100,000 of assessed property value.

Safety, security and accessibility are priorities and as such the proposed project will allow for:

1. Improved traffic circulation and parking lot queuing space at all schools.
2. More accessible restrooms and playgrounds for those with mobility impairments.
3. More identifiable main entrance at Homestead High School and district-wide improvements to control visitor access.
4. Municipal water connection and enhanced fire suppression and alarm systems at the elementary and middle schools.

The proposed project will also include the construction of additions at the elementary schools and middle schools to address capacity challenges.

Trustee Lange inquired as to when the last referendum was passed. Dr. Joynt shared that there was a referendum that passed for the 2014-2015 school year that addressed maintenance for \$18 million. This included replacement of rusty boilers, decaying floor tiles and ceiling and roof issues. This extends 20 years. The school is prepaying debt allowing them to look at passing another referendum at this time.

Some of the growth is due to adding a 4-year old kindergarten program, and there are more families moving into the community.

There will be an information session scheduled in early March that the community is invited to in order to get more information regarding the referendum.

The Village Board thanked Dr. Joynt.

- B. Review and approval of Bid from C.W. Purpero, Inc. for Boat Launch Improvements in the Amount of \$303,188.00**

**MOTION** by Trustee Holyoke, **SECONDED** by Trustee Eckert to approve Bid from C.W. Purpero, Inc. for Boat Launch Improvements in the Amount of \$303,188.00. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- C. Review and approval of Bid from UPI, LLC for Sunny Lane Reconstruction in the Amount of \$292,773.10

**MOTION** by Trustee Eckert, **SECONDED** by Trustee Heinritz to approve Bid from UPI, LLC for Sunny Lane Reconstruction in the Amount of \$292,773.10. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- D. Review and approval of Claim from Red's Novelty Ltd., Personal Property Tax, Amusement/Vending Machines

Administrator Landisch-Hansen shared that a letter was received from Red's Novelty Ltd. claiming that the Personal Property Tax charged should not be assessed based on their opinion that their equipment is Machinery and not Furniture Fixtures & Equipment. Les Ahrens, Grota Appraisals, recommended that this request be denied by the Village Board.

Attorney Schoonenberg will look into this and report back to the Village Board.

- E. Review and acceptance of Retirement of Marjorie Canham, Fire Department Administrative Assistant

**MOTION** by Trustee Lange, **SECONDED** by Trustee Kucharski to accept the Retirement of Marjorie Canham, Fire Department Administrative Assistant with Much Gratitude for Her Service to the Village. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- F. Review and approval of Certificate of Recognition for Attaining Rank of Eagle Scout, Charlie Ferguson, Boy Scout Troop #852

**MOTION** by Trustee Azinger, **SECONDED** by Trustee Heinritz to approve Certificate of Recognition for Attaining Rank of Eagle Scout, Charlie Ferguson, Boy Scout Troop #852. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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NEXT RESOLUTION NUMBER:	2020-02
NEXT ORDINANCE NUMBER:	2020-02

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**XIII. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**XIV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**XV. ANY OTHER MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS BY THE TRUSTEES AS MAY BE BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD, OR CARRIED OVER FROM THE JANUARY 20, 2020 VILLAGE BOARD MEETING**

- A. Inter-Governmental Committee with Mequon
- B. Use of 101 Green Bay Road, Old Village Hall & Fire Station
- C. Acceptance/Report of Gifts Received:
- D. Dialog with Mequon regarding water utility service
- E. Review next month's meeting date schedule:  
March 2, 2020 – Combined Committee of the Whole and Village Board Meeting @ 6:00 PM

Trustee Azinger would like to address the Code in relation to bicycles on sidewalks particularly on the sidewalk between Buntrock and Division. This item will be placed on the March Board Agenda.

The Village Board recessed at 6:33 PM.

**XVI. MOTION TO ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

**MOTION** by Trustee Heinritz, **SECONDED** by Trustee Azinger to adjourn to Closed Session at 6:50 PM deliberating about the investment of public funds in future Village properties requiring a Closed Session due to the competitive nature and bargaining positions at risk if conducted in a public meeting. Such Closed Session is authorized pursuant to Wis. Stats. Article 19.85(1)(e).

1. Roll Call Vote

**Ayes:** Trustees Azinger, Eckert, Heinritz, Holyoke, Kucharski, Lange and President Mobley.

**Naes:** None

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION TO RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

1. Vote of Board to reconvene
2. Review and possible action regarding Closed Session topic

**MOTION** by Trustee Azinger, **SECONDED** by Trustee Holyoke to reconvene into Open Session at 8:30 PM. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**XVII. ADJOURNMENT**

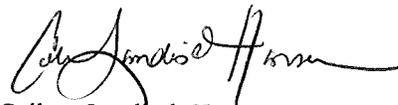
**MOTION** by Trustee Holyoke, **SECONDED** by Trustee Eckert to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Submitted by,



Amy L. Langlois  
Village Clerk

Approved by,



Colleen Landtsch-Hansen  
Administrator