

VILLAGE OF WHITE LAKE
6:00 P.M.
Regular Monthly Meeting
Minutes
Tuesday, October 8, 2024
Community Center; 615 School St.

Call to order by Tom Edelman @ 6pm

Board Attendance: Tom Edelman, Patsy Listle, Frank Skarlupka

Employee Attendance: Carol Blawat & Scott Popelka

Other Attendance: See Attached Sign in Sheet

Pledge of Allegiance

Posting of meetings; Verified by Clerk

Approve Agenda; Motion by Patsy Listle/Frank Skarlupka; All Ayes, Motion Carried

Approve Minutes; Motion by Patsy Listle/Frank Skarlupka; All Ayes, Motion Carried

Approve Bills/Financials; Motion by Frank Skarlupka/Patsy Listle; All Ayes, Motion Carried

White Lake School Referendum Discussion-Amanda Hatch & Interim Superintendent of White Lake School, Lance Bagstad-spoke on the operating referendum for 1.1 Million annually for 5 years. The question is on the ballot for November 5, 2024 election. Additional meetings on the referendum will be October 16 & 30 along with at the annual meeting, October 23.

Public Comments

- **Shannon Frantz**-Could Village hold a village wide rummage sale summer 2025.

Unfinished Business

- MSA Project Updates- Annual TID Joint Review Board meeting was held October 3. Designing has been started for the project on Sport Fishing grant and Recreational Boat grant
- Motion to Approve Fire Protection Contract for Evergreen with White Lake & Wolf River Fire Departments by Patsy Listle/Frank Skarlupka; All Ayes, Motion Carried

New Business

- White Lake Library-Changes of Hours & Operation-Toni Edge-Interim Director, Antigo Public Library-Adjust hours to Monday 10am-6pm, Tues-Fri 12pm-6pm, closed first Friday of the month but open the first Saturday of the month from 9am-12pm. John Listle will work Wednesday & Thursday 12pm-6pm and Kristi Heistad will work the other hours stated. The village will continue to pay 50% of only John Listle's hours. The library hopes this will bring in more people by adding activities and hour changes. Motion to approve operational changes and hour changes to the White Lake Library as presented by Tom Edelman/Frank Skarlupka; All Ayes, Motion Carried
- Purchase of 2005 Seagrave Ladder Fire Truck for Fire Dept-Motion by Tom Edelman/Patsy Listle to Approve purchase of the 2005 Seagrave Ladder truck for \$45,000 with the White Lake Fire Dept to pay 50% out of fire dept fundraising account and the the other 50% paid by the Village with the understanding that 25% will be paid back to the village with the newly approved village portion of the Evergreen fire service contract of \$7,000 until \$11,250 is paid back to the village; All Ayes, Motion Carried
- PSC Private Fire Protection Fees from Village to Water Dept as Part of the 2024 Rate Case-Motion by Frank Skarlupka/Patsy Listle to approve 75% (\$29,293.50) of the annual Private Fire Protection (\$39,058.00) Fee for Municipal Charges to be paid by the village general fund and 25% (9,764.50) to

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a direct charge to village water customers based on meter size beginning in the first quarter billing of 2025; All Ayes, Motion Carried

- Post Office Contract-Discussion held on getting comps to submit for a fair monthly rental rate.

Trustee Reports

- Zoning-Listle-none to report
- Fire Department-Skarlupka-Read Attached FD Minutes from October 1, 2024 Fire Dept Meeting; CPR class November 1 at fire dept at 6pm up to 18 people can be certified.

Clerk's Report by Carol Blawat

- Bertram Wireless will be taking their equipment off the water tower by the end of the year
- LRIP paperwork submitted. Waiting for reimbursement of \$25,838.00 for the 2024-2025 LRIP Project Year.
- Dugout project came in under budget at \$5,000. Benches still to be added for about \$600. White Lake Little League will reimburse village for 50% of the final cost of the project
- New emails are set up for fire chief and one for each trustee.
- Getting quotes and demos on new accounting/payroll software.
- Sheriff Weston would be willing to talk to the village about more deputy presence in the village.
- Working on 2025 Budget
- White Lake Elementary Halloween parade October 31 at 2pm
- Dave Krochalk asked to use old fire dept lot for pickleball next year

Public Works Report by Scott Popelka

- Started winterizing around village; pavilion closed up, fence down, buoy's out etc.....
- Leak fixed on a sewer line on County M by ballfield on September 26
- Patching holes
- Water survey went well that was required by DNR
- Did inventory on all piping within the villages system as required by DNR. Need to do some paperwork on the private wells that residents may still have. They will be required to get a permit and have them tested.
- Huffcut sent a rep to fix the lock on the Huffcut bathroom door.
- All hydrants are flushed
- Hydro Corp coming in December to do Cross Connections as required.

Closed Session

- Motion by Frank Skarlupka/Patsy Listle to go into closed session at 8:12pm, pursuant to State Statue 19.85(c) to discuss performance/evaluation of public employees which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility to discuss wage, bonuses, and benefits for 2025; All Ayes, Motion Carried.
- Motion by Tom Edelman/Frank Skarlupka to return to Open Session for possible board decision on discussed closed session items at 8:32pm; All Ayes, Motion Carried
- Motion by Tom Edelman/Frank Skarlupka to apply a 3.2% cost of living adjustment to employee wages starting January 1, 2025; All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Motion to Adjourn at 8:33pm by Patsy Listle/Frank Skarlupka; All Ayes, Motion Carried

Carol Blawat
Clerk-Treasurer