

**VILLAGE OF WAUSAUKEE
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH, 2009
WAUSAUKEE VILLAGE HALL
428 HARRISON AVENUE
7:00 PM
MINUTES**

1. Call to Order – President Caine called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The following board members present were. Julie Parkansky, Randy Schmidt, Jeff Townsend, Jerry Wojcik, Rosalyn Figas, and Hilbert Radtke. Also present were Village Clerk Toshia Ranallo, Treasurer Sara Pullen, Water/Sewer Operator Pam Aide, part-time help Dave Hertisch, Residents Ann Hartnell, Joellen Simpson, John Ranallo, Shirley Pruhdom from the Peshtigo Times, and Peter Kruit from Assured Inspection Services.
2. Approval of Agenda – Jerry Wojcik made a motion seconded by Julie Parkansky to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
3. Audience to Anyone Wishing to Speak – President Caine stated that from now on he would like to follow the Roberts Rule of Order a little closer and eliminate audience participation.
4. Motion to Approve Minutes – Regular Board Meeting on 1/14/09 – Rosalyn Figas stated that she would like a correction in last month’s meeting minutes. There was a motion made by Rosalyn Figas seconded by Randy Schmidt to have Immel Engineering Firm inspect the old school. Motion carried. Clerk Ranallo stated that she would correct the minutes. Randy Schmidt made a motion seconded by Jerry Wojcik to approve minutes subject to that correction. Motion carried.
5. Motion to Approve Bills – Hilbert Radtke commented on a bill from R & A MFG which required them to weld the Kodiak. He added that there is someone in the Village that is a professional welder and that we should keep the work locally before we decide to drive out of town. Hilbert Radtke made a motion seconded by Rosalyn Figas. Motion carried.
6. Treasurer’s Report – Jerry Wojcik made a motion seconded by Jeff Townsend to approve the treasurer’s report. Motion carried.
7. Approval of Major Purchases – none
8. Committee Reports – none
9. Village Street and Utility Report – Caine stated that recently the village has had some residents water lines freeze up. Pam Aide stated that the village has approximately 45 residents running their water. Hilbert Radtke made a motion seconded by Jeff Townsend to approve the street and utility report. Motion carried.
10. President’s Report
 - a. Audit Report – President Caine stated that Joel Rennie is still working on the 2007 audit report and he will present it at next month’s meeting. Caine added that the Public Hearing for the abandonment of parts of Elizabeth and Sedonie streets is scheduled for March 18, at 6:00 pm.
11. Unfinished Business
 - a. Discussion/Action – Appointing a Building Inspector – President Caine stated that Wayne Ruechal has decided to withdraw from the consideration for the Building Inspector position. Caine also introduced Peter Kruit, the state appointed building inspector for new dwellings in our area. Kruit stated that he has spent some time going through the Village’s existing building code. In his opinion the code is unenforceable. He stated that he has highlighted many areas that need work. Kruit agreed to meet with the Buildings and Grounds Committee to go over details and make changes to the code on Wednesday, February 18th at 6 p.m. The committee is chaired by Trustee Jerry Wojcik. Members

are Trustees Rosalyn Figas and Hilbert Radtke. The board tabled appointing a Building Inspector for the next monthly meeting.

- b. Discussion/Action – Job Descriptions – The board tabled this issue after suggestions and revisions are made and reported to the Clerk or Treasurer to prepare a final draft.
- c. Discussion/Action – To pay or not to pay employee for time spent to, from and during Dr. visits. – President Caine made a motion seconded by Jeff Townsend to pay employees on the day of injury a maximum of 8 hours in a 5 day work week and 10 hours in a 4 day work week. Motion carried. This motion will also convey into the Village of Wausaukee Handbook and Medical Reimbursement Plan.
- d. Discussion/Action – Years of Commitment for Library – Caine stated that he had contacted The League of Municipalities and was told that putting money in the budget doesn't mean the board actually approved spending the money. Caine added that at last meeting it was brought up that because \$275 a month was in the budget, the board committed to contributing toward rent of the Gocht building. Figas stated that the Village is committed because we made a commitment to the library. Parkansky and Townsend agreed. Hilbert Radtke made a motion seconded by Julie Parkansky to spend \$275 a month for 6 months for library rent in the Gocht building. Motion carried.
- e. Discussion/Action – Old School Purchase – Caine stated that he had contacted Immel Engineering Firm after the last meeting and he was told that the engineer will be here to inspect the old school. Caine added as soon as the engineer contacts him, he will then contact fellow board members to attend the walk through. Caine then made a motion to purchase the old school from Chuck Edlebeck for \$10,000 over a 10 year period, subject to the inspection by the engineer and subject to a reasonable waste dumping fee from the county. Townsend stated that he would first like to see what the engineer has to say. Caine stated that he is convinced the engineer's report will say its fine because of past reports he received. Townsend moved to table the purchase proposal until after the Village receives the written engineer's report. Other board members agreed.

12. Approval of Permits/Licenses

- a. Operators License – Darlene Hartwell/BP – Julie Parkansky made a motion seconded by Randy Schmidt to approve license. Motion carried.
- b. Temporary Retailers License – Harry Tischendorf/Fire Department/February 14th, 2009 – Hilbert Radtke made a motion seconded by Julie Parkansky to approve the permit for February 21st. Motion carried. The Fire Department will hold a “Winter Days Festival” by the ice rink on the fairgrounds parking lot. They plan to sell beer, brats, hotdogs, hot chocolate, and etc.

13. New Business

- a. Discussion/Action – Parkansky property dispute – Caine stated that when Hugh Guy surveyed for the new warehouse, he said Julie Parkansky's house is on 2 feet of Village property. Caine suggests that the surveyor come in again and draw up the proper property description and exchange that property for the property in the back of Julie's house where the new warehouse is being built. Parkansky stated that she and her husband have been taking care of that side of the lot for over 31 years. Parkansky added that whatever decision the board wanted to make she would not participate in the vote. Parkansky stated that they did not know they had built on Village property. Parkansky added that when they had bought the property and had it surveyed there was no problem. Caine stated that the 20 year rule states that anyone who cares for a property for 20 years or more becomes the owner. Caine stated that there are a couple of other properties in the Village they will need to watch so they don't lose them in 20 years. Caine stated he will get Guy to draw up the legal description for the village-owned property involved and at the next meeting they would talk about considerations.
- b. Discussion/Action – Village sign and flag pole – Figas stated that this issue had come about at an Economic Development Committee meeting. She stated that Jim Brien said that the pine trees are

getting close to the top of the pole. Figas stated that she would like to see the pole moved rather than cutting of the trees. This matter was tabled until spring.

- c. Discussion/Action – Christmas decorations – Figas stated that this is another suggestion from the Economic Development Committee. The committee would like to run electricity underground, south of the Ice Cream Station on the flat area between the railroad tracks and the highway for Christmas decorations. She added that local businesses, churches, organizations, or whoever could ask for a specific footage and have that area lined up with different decorations. Figas stated that they would need to get permission from the railroad and find out exactly what the cost would be for the village to run electricity. Randy Schmidt stated that they should contact the owner of the service station, since there may already be power there. Townsend stated that they will look into the matter. Figas asked Schmidt to look into the service and the Economic Development Committee will contact the railroad.
- d. Discussion/Action – Appoint new Comprehensive Planning Commission member – Ann Hartnell stated that the following members asked to be removed from the Planning Commission. Jennifer Schlies, Greg Wojcik, Nick Polomis, and Sandy Mayveal. The following members were appointed to the commission. Kellen Stumbris, Ann Hartnell, and Rosalyn Figas. Motion carried.

14. Additional Business – none

15. Adjourn – Jeff Townsend made a motion seconded by Julie Parkansky to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm. Motion carried.

Posted on 3/13/08
At 2:00 pm by (TR)

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