

**VILLAGE OF STOCKHOLM
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2022**

Village President Harley Cochran opened the meeting and roll call was taken. Present were Harley Cochran, Jerry Larson, John Krumm, Dennis Reichert and Cindy Fayerweather, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer.

John Graber was not present to provide a poem.

Additions/Deletions: Addition to the agenda for the Board to review the Wolschlager's report regarding the land swap of property near the park. Prior to the Board meeting, Harley had sent out the documents from the Wolschlager's attorney and Surveyors for the Board's consideration. The documents seemed to be in order, the Board agreed to continue the process of the land swap.

Clerk Report: Cindy had sent out the minutes from the July Board meeting. No concerns or changes needed. A motion was made by Jerry, 2nd by Dennis to approve the Clerk's report as given; carried.

Treasurer's Report: Cindy had sent out the July Financial Report prior to the Board meeting. No concerns were raised. A motion was made by Jerry, 2nd by Dennis to approve the July financial Report as given; carried.

Park Committee Report: Jerry Larson reported that the Park Committee had met on August 1st. The Stockholm Art Fair went well, no issues other than an electrical issue that was taken care of. The electrical upgrade is scheduled for October. Camp hosts, Pam and Larry Horlitz, would like to know in September for camping availability. Flower planting along the nature trail is planned. So far, Chris Hines has been able to put the garbage bags from the village containers in the park dumpster so hasn't had to make extra trips to the Pepin Collection site.

Zoning Administrator Report: Roy Forstrom reported that there have been 2 building permits issued and he has held discussions with a new property owner regarding new construction of a home in the village.

PRATT Report: No report.

New Business:

1. Consideration of hiring Nancy Wolfe as Clerk/Treasurer with an annual salary of \$14,000: Nancy Wolfe was present to meet with the Board. Discussion was held. A motion was made by Jerry, 2nd by John to appoint Nancy Wolfe as the Village of Stockholm Clerk/Treasurer with a 2 month probationary period. Cindy Fayerweather will remain on payroll as Deputy Clerk/Treasurer for the 2 month period to assist in training, then will be available on consultancy basis, motion carried. The Board welcomed Nancy to the Village.
2. Heidi Krause Funeral discussion: After discussion, a motion was made by Jerry, 2nd by John for the Village to provide flowers for Clerk/Treasurer Heidi Krause's funeral service. Heidi will be greatly missed as a friend, in our community and on the Village Board.

3. Rattlesnake Report: Harley reported that Dean Edlin, DNR representative, walked the Zerby property along with Mr. Zerby. He recommended the red cedar trees be cleared and the land allowed to revert back to prairieland which will perhaps help to keep the rattlesnakes back up on the bluff. Flags that had been previously placed for a proposed road/path were removed.
4. Storage shed purchase for the park: An estimate for an 8 X 10 shed, fully ready for placement was received from The Pepin Country Stop for \$3,648. As an alternative, a kit for an 8 X 10 shed can be purchased from Mendards, ready to be assembled; cost of \$\$1337.48 plus site work estimate of \$200. Discussion held and the Board decided to place this item on the September agenda for final consideration.
5. Village Hall estimate for masonry/tuckpoint work: \$5050 estimated cost received to repair the masonry and tuckpointing needed on the Village Hall. After discussion, Harley suggested tabling the decision until the September meeting. A motion was then made by Dennis, 2nd by Jerry to table to the September Board meeting; carried.
6. ADA Park Project: Brent Bauer/ Pepin County Highway Department requested a meeting to be held at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, August 16th for further discussion regarding the size and location of the proposed parking area.
7. Citizen Concerns: BNSF has sent a notice to close RR Crossings in the area with the Village of Stockholm Crossing to be closed August 22 to August 25th. Harley will look into this as there are property owners that will need to have access across the tracks.
A question was brought up regarding weed control on the sidewalks in the village and right of way trimming along the streets. Harley would like to arrange a meeting with Chris Hines to review his contract with the Village of Stockholm. Dennis Reichert is willing to meet with Harley and Chris Hines.
8. Smart Growth Compliance: Dennis Reichert reported no meeting has been held. He discussed an electric car charging station in the village. Discussion was held, pros and cons considered. Costs are uncertain as the technology keeps changing, no action taken.
Solar options were discussed as well, no action taken.
9. The next meeting of the Stockholm Village Board will be held at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, September 13, 2022.
10. No other action was taken, a motion was made by Jerry, 2nd by Dennis to adjourn the meeting; carried.
The meeting was adjourned.

Cindy Fayerweather
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

