

VILLAGE OF REDGRANITE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING – January 20, 2025

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Municipal Building on January 20, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Jim Erdmann. Roll Call: Jim Erdmann, Mark Juslen, Ellen Caswell, Gary Rodencal, Tim Hagar and Matt Hagar. Motion by Ellen, seconded by Matt to Approve the Agenda. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM: There was no one present to speak at the Public Forum.

Motion by Tim, second by Dillon to approve the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on December 16, 2024. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT – Becky reported that Congressman Glen Grothman will be visiting the Village Hall on Monday, February 17, 2025 at 1:00pm. He will visit with residents for approximately 1 to 1-1/2 hours.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Jim Erdman had nothing to report but added that everyone seems to be doing a good job and that things are going well in the Village. There has been a lot of use of the Village Skating Rink, and he hopes there will be continued support from the residents on Village events.

FINANCE, PERSONNEL, INSURANCE – Motion by Dillon, second by Gary, to approve General Fund disbursements– checks 115390 through 115427 (BankFirst) for a total of \$14,419.84. Water fund disbursements - checks 62006069 through 62006077 (BankFirst) for a total of \$5,003.20. Sewer fund disbursements – checks 63006908 through 63006916 (BankFirst) for a total of \$3,338.62; and payroll of \$47,846.73 creating a grand total of \$70,608.39 and approval of financial reports for general, water and sewer as printed. Motion carried.

LIBRARY - Update was given by Jeannie McBeth. She stated the circulation showed an increase of 6 percent. Community members have been utilizing the services offered. Jeannie stated that the Annual Report will be available next week, and she will have it available at the next Board meeting for Review and Approval. Jeannie will be attending training sessions with other Library Directors to observe new ideas. Friends of the Library are supplying stands to Businesses to decorate and add their own information to view. These could be placed outside the Business or Company for the year and would be stored for Winter by that Business. The goal is to have operating them out in Summer of 2025. History of Redgranite is being digitalized. Jeannie is looking into a bigger scanner to capture larger documents.

MACHINERY, GARBAGE, ORDINANCES – Jim Fredrick gave an update. The Skid Steer with all the attachments has arrived. Motion by Matt, seconded by Dillon to Approve the purchase of a Stihl Chain saw in the amount of \$700. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, seconded by Matt to Approve the Invoice from Wagner Utility & Excavating in the amount of \$2,000 for grading and compacting of the gravel at the Public Works Building. Motion carried.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING –Monthly update was given by Jim Fredrick. (See Above under Header of Machinery, Garbage, Ordinances). Jim Fredrick stated that he will make contact for a quote on new gaskets for the doors at Village Hall and He will get quotes and have them available at the February Board Meeting. Jim has contacted Sheetmetal Services on a quote for the HVAC system for the new Public Works Building. They will contact Modern Pole Buildings and get the drawings from them. The engineers will look at them and consult Jim on what is the best method to use. In floor heating will be too expensive to install and operate. Jim stated that the Plumbing and Electrical has not been discussed yet and he will have an update when available.

PARKS, CEMETERY – Monthly update was given by Jim Fredrick. Julie Fredrick has applied for a Grant from “Kwik Trip Cares” and the Village was awarded \$1,500 to be used to address needs at the Village Parks. Jim thanked Matt Hagar for his help in installing and setting up the Ice Rink. It has expanded since last year and Jim hopes that every year they can add to the size of it. Jim also thanked Dave Kroll and Roger White for their help with installing the liner and hanging up the lights. Jim stated that he has received a lot of volunteer offers from residents to help with the park projects and it's a nice feeling to have the Village residents wanting to help. There is still one Memorial tree left to take down at Veteran's Park. This year was a short notice on the purchase of a “Memorial Tree” and Becky stated there was a few that were never paid for. The discussion of setting up a policy of paying for the trees prior to decorating will have to be looked at for next year, Jim Fredrick stated that Retzlaff will not have to pay for his Memorial Tree due to his donation of the warming shelter. Kyle suggested that the form should also include the removal by date as well. A date of Wednesday,

February 5, 2025 at 3:00pm was set for the next Parks Committee meeting.

POLICE, FIRE – Update was given by Jeff from the Fire District. There is still an issue with some of the lighting on the Rescue Truck and he is addressing the issue. Jeff stated that there were approximately 450 calls last year which was down approximately 50 from the previous year. Jeff states there are currently 20 calls for the month of January. Jim Fredrick will make sure the helicopter pad out near the Prison will be cleared off in any snowstorm. An update was given by Kyle Tarr. Brie will be attending the Police Conference in the Wisconsin Dells in February. Kyle was able to get all the Village tablets up and running. These were given out prior to the meeting. Kyle will meet with anyone after the meeting that requires additional assistance. There was an issue with Brie's PBT due to using cheap batteries leaking on the connection. Kyle has contacted the company, and they are replacing it with a used demo unit. Brie will be working with Officer Hendrickson, the liaison officer through the school, with Active Shooter and Intruder Alerts for the staff at The Little Sprouts Daycare, Library, Senior Center or Preston Place. Kyle is sending Brie to additional training in March and then he plans to work on an in-house training for the Village staff. Kyle states they are continuing to work on the workload of Prison cases. Kyle is getting quotes for an electric squad truck. Kyle had met with a Deputy that has an electric vehicle and he is now getting quotes. New hire, Kaitlin Nett has started and is helping in getting caught up with wire submissions. Motion by Matt, seconded by Mark to Approve seven NetMotion Licenses for Waushara County in the amount of \$2,100. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, seconded by Gary to Approve the Annual Renewal Fee for ICrimeFighter subscription in the amount of \$950. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, seconded by Matt to Approve the Annual dues of \$100 to MOCIC. They are a good resource for immediate communication with other law enforcements. Motion by Dillon, seconded by Gary to Approve the purchase of a Intoximeter PBT Calibrator. The company is giving Kyle a free demo unit with training to follow in the amount of \$254. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, seconded by Ellen to Approve the annual Lexipol Subscription in the amount of \$ 3,979.94. Motion carried. Kyle stated he has received four applications for a full-time Officer and he will start working on the background checks.

SEWER, WATER – Brent gave a monthly update. Steaven took two tests at Rural Water in Plover. Brent stated he has completed the Annual DNR Sludge Hauling report. There is an issue with rusty fan shroud brackets and due to the age of the fan, availability of the parts is hard to find. Brent has someone fabricating new brackets. Brent stated that he and Steaven are helping Jim F with the Brushing when free time permits. Motion by Mark, seconded by Matt to Approve the quote from Motion in the amount of \$5,700.10 for the purchase of a brake assembly for the Bar screen that was tabled from the December Board Meeting. Motion carried.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS, Ditches- Update was given by Jim Fredrick. Jim thanked Dillon Gray for his help in setting up the Public Works shop computer. Residents have received their new house numbers and Jim has noticed a lot of them being put up. He has received a few calls on placement issues and these were resolved. Jim stated that he will be getting quotes for the upcoming projects he has planned. When received, he will bring them to the Board. There is some ditching, culvert work and roadwork planned. The Library's parking lot is also in need of repairs and is on his agenda to address.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: Motion by Tim, seconded by Dillon to approve the Operator's License for Zoie Draheim/Condon Oil Shell effective from January 21, 2025 thru June 30, 2025. No record found on the background check. Motion carried. Motion by Gary, seconded by Ellen to approve the Operator's License for Charity Kation/Dollar General Store #11718 effective January 21, 2025 thru June 30, 2025. No record found on the background check. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, seconded by Gary to Approve the Operator's License for Jason Myers/Dollar General Store # 11718 effective from January 21, 2025 thru June 30, 2025. No record found on the background check. Motion carried. Mark Juslen brought up the concern of the plaster falling from the building in the outer parking lot owned by Ruth Schumacher.

Items to be placed on the February 17, 2025 Board Meeting: 1) Library's Annual Report per J McBeth.
2) Quarry Committee meeting to discuss recent survey.

Motion by Ellen, seconded by Tim to Adjourn meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:23pm by Jim Erdmann.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Streck
Village Clerk

