

VILLAGE OF REDGRANITE  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING – January 16, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Municipal Building on January 16, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. Roll Call: Matt Knollenberg, Laurie Oltesvig, Mark Juslen, Angie Ralls, Jim Erdmann, Gina Smukowski and Belinda Passarelli. Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC FORUM** – Mark Opperman told of problems on Horne Street with a neighbor and he would like to start a Neighborhood Watch Program. Christy was asked to look into the Neighborhood Watch Program and pass on the information to Mr. Opperman. The Clerk's Office is working on updating the website and will be done as soon as possible. Ellen Caswell noticed the alley situation was not on the agenda and wants to know if anything has been resolved. A Streets, Sidewalk, Ditches Committee meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, January 24, 2023, beginning at 6:00 p.m. to discuss and form a plan of action regarding the alley between Foster Road and Koch Street.

Motion by Matt, second by Laurie, to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting on December 19, 2022. Motion carried.

**CLERK'S REPORT** – Christy announced the total real and personal property tax collection for the month of December was \$250,063.64 – 22% of the total amount due (\$1,130,092.99) – and the Village share for the January settlement is \$70,146.28.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT** – She thanked current and former board and employees for their dedication to the Village the past several years when many projects took place such as replacing the Pine River Street bridge, utility improvements and road construction.

**FINANCE, PERSONNEL, INSURANCE** – Motion by Jim, second by Mark, to approve general fund disbursements – checks 14105 through 14159 and 40114131 (Hometown Bank) for a total of \$236,281.38; water fund checks 6205642 through 6205659 (Hometown Bank) for a total of \$7,927.38; sewer fund disbursements – checks 6306402 through 6306420 (Hometown Bank) for a total of \$13,396.16; ARPA disbursements – check 2021001 through 2021002 for \$5,482.23 and payroll of \$43,828.79 creating a grand total of \$306,915.94 and approval of financial reports for general, water and sewer as printed. Motion carried. Update of ARPA projects for 2022 was given.

**MACHINERY, GARBAGE, ORDINANCES** – None

**MUNICIPAL BUILDING** – None

**PARKS, CEMETERY** – Mike Getchius reported the computerized records compared to what is at the cemetery has been completed and the flash drive was handed over to the Clerk's Office. Motion by Jim, second by Mark, to approve his report and the completion of the computerized records. Motion carried.

**POLICE, FIRE** – The Redgranite Area Fire District did not hold a meeting in December so there is no report this month. Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to allow the public to speak. Motion carried. It was suggested to find out if other municipalities with assisted living facilities and fire departments who are charging for EMS calls pay the bill or charge the fees back to the facility or residents. Motion by Jim, second by Matt, to table the issue. Motion carried.

SEWER, WATER – Motion by Matt, second by Mark, to allow the utility department to do plumbing inspections prior to real estate sales. Motion carried. Motion by Matt, second by Laurie, to approve the SCADA upgrade by PJ Kortens for \$8,500.00 using replacement funds. Motion carried.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS, DITCHES – The monthly public works department update was presented to the Board and explained why gravel roads were not plowed during the first heavy snowstorm. Motion by Laurie, second by Matt, to allow the public to speak. Motion carried. Sandy Lyles wanted to thank the Public Works Department for doing a good job and explaining the situation. Jim Lyles requested the alley get plowed out when they plow snow into the alley entrance. The ice rink was filled but the forecast changed and temperatures were warmer than predicted.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS – A Finance, Personnel, Insurance Committee was scheduled for Tuesday, January 31, 2023, beginning at 6:00 p.m. to discuss assigning a Village employee to do preliminary building inspection duties. Motion by Matt, second by Mark, to hire a building inspector. Motion carried. Motion by Matt, second by Mark, to obtain a title report on 404 E Bannerman Ave. Motion carried. Motion by Mark, second by Jim, to seek sealed bids for razing the 404 E Bannerman Ave. Motion carried.

Agenda Items to be Placed on Next Regular Board Meeting Agenda – Installing Flags at crosswalks by school using ARPA funds and update on police equipment arriving under the USDA grant.

Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christy Groskreutz  
Village Clerk