

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

VILLAGE OF REDGRANITE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING – February 20, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Municipal Building on February 20, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. Roll Call: Laurie Oltesvig, Mark Juslen, Jim Erdmann (via phone), Gina Smukowski, Matt Knollenberg (via phone), and Belinda Passarelli. Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM – Tom Markowski presented an email from the PSC regarding his 25% surcharge for public fire protection fees on his utility bill because he lives out of the Village but is hooked into the Redgranite Utility Department services. Once the PSC has approved the Village request to transfer the public fire protection fees to the quarterly utility bills, the Village will remove the 25% surcharge from his bill beginning with the first quarterly billing period the fire protection fees are added to the utility bills. He also had an issue with a recent mailed out with the last utility bills which mentioned the property owners need to shovel snow out from the fire hydrants. He stated when he was working for the utility department, the employees shoveled all fire hydrants if the property owner did not and feels the Village should not bill property owners who do not shovel out the fire hydrants on their property. Village president will investigate the situation. Nancy Dushinski reported a neighbor has five (5) dogs who are at large sometimes. The Redgranite Police Department will investigate.

Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting on January 16, 2023 and the special Board meeting on January 31, 2023. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT – Christy directed the Board to the emails, found in their meeting packets, from Chief Tarr about Governor Evers announcing initiatives to build 21st century infrastructure, expand high speed internet, improve roads, highways and bridges and Governor's proposal to send 20% of state sales tax back to local communities and fund essential service like public safety; the annual Municipal Services Program payment of \$25,539.16 was received along with an additional \$2,195.91 from State ARPA funds for a total of \$27,735.07 (the same amount received in 2022); February tax settlement for TID is \$118,514.16 and the Village received \$150,972.51. Christy mentioned this Board meeting was her last as the Village Clerk and expressed her appreciation for being able to serve the Board and residents of the Village of Redgranite for the past 8 1/2 years.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – President mentioned there is a Wautoma Area School District referendum information flyer available for interested residents.

FINANCE, PERSONNEL, INSURANCE – President vacated the position to act as a Trustee. Motion by Belinda, second by Mark, to approve general fund disbursements – checks 14160 through 14235 (BankFirst) for a total of \$464,184.79; water fund checks 6205660 through 6205681 (BankFirst) for a total of \$15,404.60; sewer fund disbursements – checks 6306421 through 6306446 (BankFirst) for a total of \$48,842.21; ARPA disbursements – check 2021003 through 2021004 (BankFirst) for \$238.80 and payroll of \$62,359.22 creating a grand total of \$591,029.62 and approval of financial reports for general, water and sewer as printed. Motion carried. She returned to president position. The Board reviewed the Fess Schedule as presented. Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to allow the public to speak. Motion carried. Sandy Lyles feels the Village should not charge for meeting minutes if they are not on the website. The Clerk's Office does not charge for copies of Board meeting minutes. Jim Fredrick mentioned the \$100.00 charge for lawn mowing does include a machinery charge so there is no reason to have a separate machinery charge. Kyle suggested \$3.00 per page, \$40.00 per copy of video/audio and \$40.00 per hour for administrative charge with a 1/2 per hour minimum charge. Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to approve the Fee Schedule as amended. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark, second by Laurie, to purchase 20 street pole 24" x 24" banners and brackets for \$152.10 each for a total of \$3,042.00 using ARPA funds. Motion carried. Motion by Mark, second by Laurie, to approve the purchase of 75 water meter radios from Midwest Meter for \$19,125.00 using ARPA funds. Motion carried. Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to purchase flags and PCV piping, if needed, for the crosswalk on Highway 21 by the Redgranite Elementary School. Motion carried. Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to approve health insurance and enrollment in the Wisconsin Retirement System to the Library Director when working full time hours only and the Library Board to reimburse the Village for said cost of the benefits. Motion carried.

MACHINERY, GARBAGE, ORDINANCES – The next Committee of the Whole to review ordinances was set for Monday, February 27, 2023, beginning at 6:00 p.m. The Board reviewed the abatement issues and it was reported that 511 Horne Street requested an extension until the March regular Board meeting and 504 Horne Street is now in compliance. Motion by Mark, second by Laurie, to send abatement letters to 945 Brian Street, 427 Horne Street and 122 Washington Street. Motion carried. They requested the ongoing abatement issues be discussed during the Committee of the Whole meeting on February 27, 2023. Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to allow the public to speak. Motion carried. Nancy Dushinski questioned if the owners would consider getting a kennel license and it was noted that is a possibility if the owners wanted to do so but the consideration now at the meeting is for permission to have four (4) dogs at their residence. Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to approve the request of Bruce and Kim Brown to have four (4) dogs at their residence, 119 Chicago Drive, with the following conditions: if something happens to a dog, they not replace the fourth dog until notification to the Village, the dogs must be up to date on their shots, be licensed and if complaints from neighbors, the Board can revoke this exception. Motion carried 5 to 1 (abstain). Motion by Laurie, second by Gina, to approve the request of Jennifer Smerling and Jeremy Rhodes, to have three (3) dogs at their residence, 211 West Oak Court, with the following conditions: the dogs must be up to date on their shots, be licensed and if complaints from neighbors, the Board can revoke this exception. Motion carried.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING – None

PARKS, CEMETERY – None

POLICE, FIRE – An update on the Redgranite Area Fire District January meeting was given. A Police, Fire Committee meeting was scheduled for Monday, March 6, 2023, beginning at 6:00 p.m. to discuss a neighborhood watch program and the scheduling/hiring of a part time police officer. Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to approve the 2022 court costs to the Wautoma Area Municipal Court for \$7,174.90. Motion carried. Chief Tarr mentioned some accessories will be arriving this week for the new squad; the security trailer is being built and should be completed in March, the radio is expected to be delivered April and cameras in the parks should be installed in April, also. Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to accept the resignation of Steven Kasubaski as part time police officer effective February 1, 2023. Motion carried.

SEWER, WATER – Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to allow the public to speak. Motion carried. Diane Shafer presented her request for reduction in the sewer charges due to a leak. Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to reduce the sewer usage charge to the average of the past four (4) billing quarters due to a water leak. Motion carried. Project updates were given as well as an update on the property at 404 E Bannerman Ave. Motion by Mark, second by Gina, to approve the proposal to replace the north clarifier wiers and baffles by Crane Engineering for \$19,768.00. Motion carried. Motion by Mark, second by Laurie, to approve the emergency repair of level transducer at old plant lift station by PJ Kortens for \$1,906.00. Motion carried. The Board reviewed the building inspection

process. The consideration of this process to be placed on a future meeting agenda. Motion by Mark, second by Laurie, to allow the public to speak. Motion carried. Tim Hager stated the Village needs to get on the same page as the County.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS, DITCHES – The monthly public works department update was presented to the Board and reported the ice rink opened on January 29, 2023, with many people using it, donating ice skates/bins/blankets and fundraising by the Redgranite Lions Club is being held for a warming shelter. Volunteers are needed to help remove snow from the ice rink after a snowstorm. Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to allow the public to speak. Jim Lyles mentioned sidewalks on Foster Road are not being cleaned off by property owners. The Village will investigate. Motion by Mark, second by Laurie, to approve an emergency repair to the snowblower and snowblower tractor from Sobieski Brothers for \$1,064.03. Motion carried. Motion by Mark, second by Laurie, to gravel and grade the alley between Foster Road and Koch Street. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS – Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to allow the public to speak. Motion carried. Amanda Thoma, Waushara County Medical Examiner, requested permission to hold the 2nd Annual Community Event on Saturday, July 15, 2023. Motion by Mark, second by Laurie, to approve the request of Tri-County Overdose Fatality Review Team and the Jake Jezwinski family to hold the 2nd Annual Community Event on Saturday, July 15, 2023. Motion carried. Motion by Mark, second by Laurie, to approve the Adams Columbia Electric Cooperative Annual Blanket Permit for 2023. Motion carried. Motion by Laurie, second by Gina, to approve an Operator's License for Barry Masticola (Rick's Irish Pub). Motion carried. The Village is waiting for the USDA notification of when the funds will be sent, applied for a grant to refurbish the tennis courts into a pickle ball area and applied for a CDBG grant for streets and sidewalks which is a matching grant of \$50,000.00 and the Village would have to match \$25,000.00.

Agenda Items to be Placed on Next Regular Board Meeting Agenda – Title Search for 404 E Bannerman Ave, update on 511 Foster Road abatement progress and Redgranite Lion's Club Bunny Hop request for donation.

Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christy Groskreutz
Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF REDGRANITE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING – March 20, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Municipal Building on March 20, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll Call: Laurie Oltesvig, Mark Juslen, Gina Smukowski, Matt Knollenberg and Belinda Passarelli. Motion by Mark, second by Laurie to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Matt, second by Mark, to approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting on February 20, 2023 and the special Board meeting on February 27, 2023. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT – Becky read a thank you card received from the Redgranite Advancement Association for the donation to the Hometown Holiday Event. A Second item was also presented to the Village. A Certificate of Achievement from the Library/Jeannie McBeth along with a \$10.00 gift card to Kwik Trip.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Nothing to report.

FINANCE, PERSONNEL, INSURANCE – Motion by Matt, second by Mark, to approve general fund disbursements – checks 14237 thru 14251 (BankFirst) for a total of \$80,081.27; water fund checks 6205682 through 6205694 (BankFirst) for a total of \$2,850.77; sewer fund disbursements – checks 63064447 through 6306464 (BankFirst) for a total of \$17,363.59; ARPA disbursements – check 2021005 through 2021008 (BankFirst) for \$21,832.05 and payroll of \$44,053.25 creating a grand total of \$266,476.56 and approval of financial reports for general, water and sewer as printed. Motion carried.

Motion by Matt, second by Mark, to purchase an Outdoor Movie Screen for having an Outdoor Family Movie Night using ARPA Funds. Julie Fredrick stated there was a very positive response to the Ice Rink and she had received multiple requests for a Family Movie Event. Motion by Matt, second by Mark to Open the Floor for discussion. Jeannie McBeth/Librarian stated that she can loan a Projector and Screen thru the Library system. Possible location of the side of the Shelter House. Lions Club is willing to partner in this event. License is needed to show the movies. Jeannie stated the Library currently holds the appropriate licenses. Approximate cost \$500. Films and DVDs would be at no cost. ARPA Funds would not be needed for this project. Motion carried.

Motion by Laurie, second by Matt to give Angie Ralls an individual monetary donation for her 25 years of service to the Village Board. Christy Groskreutz would receive a \$100 VISA card for her 8 years of service. Motion carried.

Motion by Matt, second by Laurie to give a Donation of \$75 worth of candy for the Lion's Club Annual Bunny Hop event. Motion carried.

Motion by Matt, second by Mark to give four \$25 Gift cards to local restaurants as a Donation to the Redgranite PTO's Annual Dinner and Raffle event. Suggestions of Sunshine Coffee, Curve-In, BR Diner and Elmer's. Motion carried.

MACHINERY, GARBAGE, ORDINANCES – The next Committee of the Whole to review ordinances was set for Monday, April 3, 2023, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Glen McCarty gave an update on 404 E Bannerman. Building is not possible to repair and the Building Inspector is writing a final report with his decisions. Next procedure would be obtaining a Title Report from the Village per Attorney Dan Sondalle.

Update on Abatement process for 511 Horne St: Mark Opperman stated things have escalated at the property. Kyle will address his concerns via email. A possible Neighborhood Watch Program is being researched by Kyle. Motion to Open the Floor by Gina, second by Matt to let Sandy Adamson address Abatement Issue. She stated a dumpster is being delivered to the property on March 21, 2023 for removal of junk items. Process has been slow but still progress has been made. Will update the Board the end of March. Motion by Matt, second by Laurie to table further options/procedures at a future meeting. Kyle stated Abatement Procedures are in place and support actions being taken. Motion carried.

Motion by Laurie, second by Matt to address Party Permits at the Quarry and Jake Braking within the Village limits. Items to be tabled at the Ordinance Meeting on April 3,2023. Motion carried.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING – None

PARKS, CEMETERY – Motion by Laurie, second by Mark to have a Tree Donation available on the Village website for anyone wanting to purchase a tree or donate money for the Parks or Village. Motion carried.

POLICE, FIRE – An update on the Redgranite Area Fire District February meeting and finances was given. A Police, Fire Committee meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, March 22, 2023, beginning at 6:00 p.m. A new EMT chassis was purchased with grant money. A new Jaws-of -Life was delivered. CPR training was conducted. There was an addition of a new responder. Trucks are in need of new batteries.

Motion by Matt, second by Mark to accept the resignation of Part time Police Officer Kelsey Koch and to move forward with scheduling/hiring of a part time police officer. Ad is currently listed on a WI Statewide Enforcement site. Motion carried.

Motion by Matt, second by Mark, to approve the use of Truck & Junk for pick up and disposal of junk items. Kyle supplied a handout with pricing. \$629 / Full truck, \$529 for three quarters full, \$429 for half full, \$329 for quarter full. Minimum cost of \$229.00. Removal costs occurred would be added to the resident's tax role. Kyle is checking on availability and statutes. Tabled to the May 2023 Board meeting for approval.

Motion by Matt, second by Mark to use Wenninger's Towing for the removal of unlicensed vehicles within the Village. They have a flatbed truck and would charge flat fee. Waiting until warmer weather to start the process. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark, second by Gina to take action on non-responded Abatement Letters. Kyle will work with the Judge and Attorney Sondalle on proper procedure. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark, second by Gina to approve \$7,000 grant from WI Dept of Administration from 2022 to the Police Department. Money can be used for training, videos, computers with remaining spending used for a percentage of fuel costs, uniform expenses and bonus payments. Deadline is extended to September of 2023.

Kyle gave an update on the New Squad Car. Three items needed yet are Radio, Lights, and Squad Camera. Expected delivery is April/May 2023. Speed Trailer to be set up in April or May 2023. Possible Dept of Transportation Grant for use of upgrades or added items.

Potential funding for a Neighborhood Watch Program tabled until April 3, 2023 at the Police, Fire Committee meeting. Next meeting set for Monday, April 10, 2023 at 6:00pm. Kyle to have available

Appleton's procedures on a Community Watch Program. Village will have to have their own signage for program with possible funds coming from ARPA Funds.

SEWER, WATER – Matt Rettler gave update on the sludge at the Sewer/Water Plant. Goal is to make less. Thirty percent less from last Fall. Possible savings of \$4,000.00 twice a year. Still experimenting with the treatment chemical from Rare Earth. Glenn reported Brent Snow was taking a Excavation Safety Training class. Used for confined spaces with refresher courses every two years.

Motion by Matt, second by Mark to spend \$22,005.00 to Northern Pipe Inc for Sewer Cleaning and Televising. Glenn stated there is 7 miles of pipe and 3 miles have been completed. He provided before and after pictures. Plan in place to open manhole covers and repair the bad ones this Summer. Motion carried.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS, DITCHES – Update from Jim Fredrick thanking everyone for being patient with the last snow plowing efforts. New Leaf Vac was delivered and will be installed on truck for Fall curb and gutter cleaning on Pine River Street and at the Village Parks.

Motion by Mark, second by Matt to spend \$8,000.00 from ARPA Funds for Repairs to the Catch Basins. Jim stated four basins could be repaired with the collapsed ones being repaired first. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark, second by Matt to use ARPA Funds to Replace Street Signs. Twenty signs have been ordered. Jim stated most street signs need repair/replacement. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark, second by Matt to get clarification on correct spellings of names on street signs. Floor opened to discussion. Jeannie McBeth offered to research the Library documents for the History of the names or person placed on the signs. Motion carried.

Motion by Gina, second by Laurie to open the floor to Nick Thomas to discuss the possibility of black topping the Alley to Dearborn Street where his property connects. He is willing to absorb some of the cost. He is in the process of connecting power, sewer and water hook up to his property. Board stated there was no money available in the Budget for this. Jim explained the County would pave the road and pass the bill onto the Village and then sent to the resident. Jim offered to look at estimates or quotes on the situation and give an update. No further discussion at this time.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS – Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to approve the Library Annual Public Report. Hours changed from being open 26 hours to 43 hours. Jeannie McBeth stated that the time extension has shown an increase in attendance. Motion carried.

Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to approve Gina Smukowski as an Election Poll Worker. Motion carried.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION – Motion by Matt, second by Mark to Adjourn to Closed Session at 9:15pm. Pursuant to Wis. Stats. Sec. 19.85(1)(c) "Considering Employment, Promotion, Compensation or Performance Evaluation Data of any Public Employee over Which the Governmental Body has Jurisdiction or Exercises Responsibility."

- a. Part-time Wage Adjustment
- b. Deputy Clerk Position – Part-time or Full Time

Motion by Matt, second by Mark to adjourn from Closed Session and reconvene to Open Session. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark, second by Matt, to approve a wage increase for Gene Fink from \$14.49/hour to

\$15.75/hour. Posting of the Deputy Clerk position on the Village website. Offer various Full time /Part time Wage & Benefit packages to increase applicant interest.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Streck
Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF REDGRANITE
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 161 DEARBORN ST
REGULAR BOARD MEETING – April 17, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Municipal Building on April 17, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll Call: Laurie Oltesvig, Mark Juslen, Dillon Gray, James Erdmann, Matt Knollenberg (per phone) and Belinda Passarelli. Motion by Jim, second by Laurie to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM: James Spingola requested to speak at the Board Meeting. He did not show. Consider/Act on keeping excess dogs at 1100 W Bannerman Ave tabled until May 15, 2023 meeting.

Motion by Mark, second by Jim to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on March 20, 2023. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT – Becky read the letter received from Barry Masticola declining the position of Village President.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Belinda Thanked everyone for their hard work in making the Village a better place and helping it run smoothly. She appreciated the efforts from everyone while she was President. She will be attending the Monthly meetings as a positive voice.

FINANCE, PERSONNEL, INSURANCE – Motion by Dillon, second by Jim to approve General Fund disbursements – checks 14273 through 14332 and 40114295 (BankFirst) for a total of \$119,300.38; Water Fund checks 6205695 through 6205717 (BankFirst) for a total of \$55,625.70; Sewer Fund disbursements- checks 6306465 through 6306486 (BankFirst) for a total of \$21,463.01; ARPA disbursements – Check 2021009 for \$5,380.00 and Payroll of \$45,954.82 creating a grand total of \$247,723.91 and approval of financial reports for General, Water and Sewer as printed. Motion carried.

Motion by Matt, second by Mark, to send the Clerk and/or Deputy Clerk to the WMCA Annual August Conference for additional training. Motion carried.

MACHINERY, GARBAGE, ORDINANCES – Jim Erdmann, Laurie Oltesvig
Motion by Mark, second by Laurie to Approve the Village Leaf pick up dates for April 24th thru May 5th, Brush pick up dates for May 19th thru May 19th and Large Item pick up for May 29th thru June 2nd, 2023. Dates will be posted on website, Village sign and copies made available at the Village Office. Motion carried.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING – None

PARKS, CEMETERY – Laurie Oltesvig
Motion by Mark, second by Jim to approve “We Clean”/Jolene Maldonado to clean Parks for 2023 Summer Season at a renewal rate of \$150.00 per week. Motion carried.

POLICE, FIRE – Jim Erdmann
Monthly update from the Redgranite Area Fire District. Motion by Laurie, second by Mark to approve the closing of Dearborn Street from back East corner of Fire Station to back of Sanickers Pub for annual Fire hose testing on July 24^{th, 2023} or on a reasonable reschedule date. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark, second by Laurie to approve the use of the Village's barricades to block off Dearborn Street for the Fire Hose testing date. Motion carried.

Mark Piechowski was present to give a proposal report of the Redgranite Area Fire District replacement of the Fire Engine. He presented the Board with a handout. Explained some of the monies will be available from a FEMA Grant.

SEWER, WATER – Matt Knollenberg, Mark Juslen

Monthly update was given by Matt Rettler. In the process of replacing old meters with cellular ones. Cleaning of the pipes has shown a significant improvement.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS, DITCHES – Mark Juslen , Matt Knollenberg

Update from Jim Fredrick/Public Works. Ice rink will need a new liner next Winter. Damaged from the use of it when ice was melting. Gutters have been swept. Catch Basins have been cleaned out and the Chipper attachment has been repaired and delivered for use this season.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS –

Motion by Mark, second by Dillon to hold a Lucille Clarke Farmers Market & Craft Fair from May to September 2023.

Motion by Laurie, second by Mark to open the floor. Motion carried. Jeannie Mcbeth/Librarian spoke and requested \$1,500.00 total for startup of Farmers Market signage and needed supplies. Also for the Security cameras to placed in and around the Library for safety. Julie Fredrick suggested using ARPA Funds for the \$1,500.

Motion by Jim, second by Mark to deny using ARPA funds for the startup of the Lillian Clarke Farmers Market & Craft Fair. Jeannie will work with the Library Board and to fundraise for the money needed.

Motion by Laurie, second by Jim to approve the Operator's license for Katie Garrow (Dollar General). Motion carried.

Motion by Laurie, second by Jim to adjourn. Meeting Adjourned at 7:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Streck
Village Clerk

Next Regular Board Meeting – Monday, May 15, 2023

VILLAGE OF REDGRANITE
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING – April 24, 2023

A special meeting of the Board was held at the Municipal Building on Monday, April 24, 2023. Meeting called to order at 5:20 pm by Jim Erdmann. Roll call: Mark Juslen, Jim Erdmann, Tim Hagar, Dillon Gray. Motion by Jim, second by Dillon, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Tim second by Mark to approve Open Book date of Tuesday, May 9, 2023 from 9:00am to 11:00am and Board of Review date of Thursday, May 25, 2023 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Motion carried.

Discussion of having John Lust/Kunkel Engineering Group as the Village Inspector. Tim commented that the Village could use the Waushara County Building Inspector. John Lust is committed to the 404 Bannerman raze order. He is working with Glen McCarty. The amount of \$500 was approved in a prior meeting. Kunkel gets \$75/hour and has two hours in the project.

Motion by Dillon, second by Mark to open the floor. The demolition of the house is being paid by ARPA Funds. Jim Erdmann stated the profits of the property if/when is sold, the money will return to the Village. Other properties need attention. Mark stated the Village needs to move forward to act on raze orders for these properties to get more interest for more people to move into the area. Setting a precedence for further property owners to follow the procedures.

Motion by Mark, second by Dillon to use John Lust as the acting Building Inspector on 404 W Bannerman property. Motion carried.

Adjourn to Closed session at 5:33pm Pursuant to Wis. Stats. Sec.19.85(1)(c) "Considering Employment, Promotion, Compensation or Performance Evaluation Data of any Public Employee over Which the Governmental Body has Jurisdiction or Exercises Responsibility."

Motion by Tim, second by Dillon to adjourn to Closed Session. Motion carried.

Motion by Dillon, second by Mark to reconvene to Open session at 7:35pm and act on Closed Session matters. Motion carried.

Motion by Tim, second by Dillon to offer the Deputy Clerk Position to Jennifer Morrison-Delgado at a rate of \$16.00/hour. After 90 day probation period, increase to \$17/hour. Maximum being \$18/hour if necessary. If position not accepted by Jennifer, Sheila Dorsett would be contacted next. Roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark, second by Tim to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:39pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Becky Streck
Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF REDGRANITE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING –May 15, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Municipal Building on May 15, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll Call: Mark Juslen, Dillon Gray, Jim Erdmann, Ellen Caswell, Tim Hagar, Gary Rodencal. Absent: Matt Knollenberg. Motion by Mark, second by Tim, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

FINANCE, PERSONNEL, INSURANCE –Motion by Mark, second by Tim, to approve general fund disbursements – checks 14333 through 14366 (BankFirst) for a total of \$25,809.77; water fund checks 6205718 through 6205729 (BankFirst) for a total of \$5,862.64; sewer fund disbursements – checks 6306487 through 6306498 (BankFirst) for a total of \$7,063.25 ARPA disbursements – check 2021010 \$3,066.00 and payroll of \$49,024.82 creating a grand total of \$87,760.48 and approval of financial reports for general, water and sewer as printed. Motion carried.

Motion by Tim, second by Dillon to accept Gary Rodencal as a new Village Board Trustee. Motion by Tim, second by Dillon to accept Ellen Caswell as a new Village Board Trustee. Motion carried. Jim welcomed both to the Village Board and is looking forward to working with them.

Motion by Mark, second by Tim to table Board Committee assignments to a later date. Jim would like to talk with Ellen and Gary after the meeting to explain. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark, second by Dillon to accept Gina Smukowski as the new Deputy Clerk. Motion carried.

Motion by Gary, second by Dillon to approve extension of Mary Piechowski's retirement date for training the new Deputy Clerk for 30 days. Review progress at the next Board Meeting of June 19, 2023 and extend if needed. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark, second by Tim to approve the minutes from the regular Board meeting of April 17, 2023 and the Special Board Meeting of April 19, 2023. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT – Nothing to Report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Nothing to Report.

PUBLIC FORUM – Sandy Lyles stated the March Board Meeting minutes are not posted on the website. She also stated that the Special Board Meeting minutes in which a motion/action was made also need to be published. Sandy stated the new ordinance of a Wheel Tax was not published in the Waushara Argus. This item was not on the Agenda and needs to be further reviewed. Mark Opperman spoke of ongoing problems at 511 Horne Street and he would like to know the Abatement progress. Mark stated a new fence was put up with a tarp on it, unregistered vehicles, blocking driveways and has numerous violations. Owner was given an extension at the March Board Meeting.

CLERK'S REPORT – Nothing to Report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Nothing to Report.

SEWER, WATER – Matt Rettler gave an update. The sewer jetting is done. Have replaced 75% of the new meters. Flushing of the fire hydrants will take place in the next few weeks.

Ad will be placed in the newspaper. Sledge removal is an ongoing process and anticipates a savings to the Village from last year. Have not received any bill yet. Wisconsin Rural Water Plan is monitoring the water well system to make sure it remains safe along with an Energy Saving program. This is a free program and once testing is completed, a report will be sent.

Matt stated a pump is leaking at the Old Plant Lift Station and needs repair. Labor extensive and the other two pumps are working fine.

Brian Roemer/Ehlers Finance had a presentation and supplied a packet for review. Explanation of adding the Public Fire Protection to the resident's quarterly water bills. Debt service helps with the General Fund financing. Short time relief. Public Service Commission regulates the expense of the services. In Dec of 2022, Village applied to change the PFP to apply the cost to water bills. It was approved and charges added on April 1, 2023. This is a five-year window to extend options available. Brian suggests keeping monitoring these fees to keep within the operating levies.

Motion by Dillon, second by Mark to send out an explanation letter to the residents for the Public Fire Protection charge on the second quarterly water bills. Glen McCarty is drafting a letter and sending to all Board members. This letter will be completed and added to the June meeting for Board approval. Motion carried.

MACHINERY, GARBAGE, ORDINANCES –

Motion by Mark, second by Dillon for \$3,000 for emergency Chipper repair. Not to exceed \$4,000. There was an equipment flaw and needs replacement. Worth repairing versus renting one. Will need annual maintenance. Needed for brush removal in the rural areas. Jim Fredrick suggested money to be taken out of the machinery fund and balance can be taken from the Street Budget. Repairs estimate approximately \$3,000 to \$4,000. Motion carried.

Motion by Dillon, second by Gary to add Standby Lot Fees to the quarterly utility bill. Glen McCarty spoke of Standby Lot Fees for empty lots. This charge was dropped in 2018. An additional charge of approximately \$16.50 would be assessed per parcel which has a water main in front of the property or empty lot(s). As of now, there is approximately 60 residents with 20 of those that have a curb stop and are not using it. This would be on a quarterly basis and recorded on the water bills. Charges would raise estimated \$17,000 revenue for the General Fund. This would not go to the Water Dept. PSC suggests adding this charge because it's in our tariff. Only parcels that are proved to be unbuildable or marshland would be exempted. Motion carried.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING – None

PARKS, CEMETERY - None

STREETS, SIDEWALKS, DITCHES – The monthly public works department update was given by Jim F. A new Leaf Vac was installed on the truck and is working well. Used on streets, gutters, fence lines, and ditches. Mowing operations have begun. Parks are being prepped for summer use. Water is turned on and bathrooms are ready. Estimates on taking trees down in the parks should be in next month and he will update at the June Board Meeting.

Motion by Mark second by Ellen to use "Safe Step Program" to repair and maintain trip hazards on the sidewalks. Jim F. provided pictures of sidewalks that need immediate repair. \$2,000 was budgeted for sidewalks. "Safe Step Program" would stay within that dollar amount. Eventually the money would return to the Village by the residents paying it back when the work is done. Each year having a roll-over amount set to continue sidewalk repairs. Starting near the school and working on the high traffic routes that are used by the school children. Jim stated that 70% of the sidewalks need replacement and twenty-three trip hazards need addressing. This process would be ongoing and may take a few years to complete. Motion by Mark, second by Tim to open the floor for discussion. Belinda Passarelli asked if there were any plans in installing sidewalks in front of the school. No plans currently. Federal grants may be available. Will need further review. David Kroll added that the Public Works Department is doing a great job on maintenance issues. Motion carried.

POLICE, FIRE – Jim Erdmann gave an update on the Redgranite Area Fire District . They are in the process of getting all the townships and villages onboard with the new fire engine. Next step is to order the truck. Delivery would be in approximately 12 to 18 months. Kyle gave updates on the current Abatements. Timeline for 511 Horne St has expired and is not compliant. Contact was made with the owner and abatement process is going to continue. Other four abatement property owners have been notified and Kyle is working with them to comply. Discussions will continue with Dan Sondalle. Slow process but progress has been made. ARPA funds are being used for the cost of the Abatement process at approximately \$5,000+ in costs. Motion by Ellen, second by Mark to table the Abatements until a full audit is made on the remaining ARPA funds. Motion carried.

Kyle has written numerous tickets to 511 Horne St but unable to collect the monies due. Jim Erdmann suggested due to slow progress, the abatement process should proceed. Motion by Mark, second by Dillon to initiate stronger actions to help Kyle with the Abatements and ordinances. Legal letters were sent out. Motion by Mark, second by Dillon to update the next steps at the June Board meeting. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS – Motion by Mark, second by Tim to have attorney Dan Sondalle take the next legal process on 404 Bannerman Ave property. The Building Inspector (Kunkel Engineering) supplied a report. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark, second by Dillon to table a Citizen Participation Plan for CDBG to the June Board meeting. Julie Fredrick not present to give further information. Will add to the June Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Dillon, second by Gary to donate money in kind determined by license fee, park permit fees and clean up fees to Redgranite Labor Day Festival. Letter to be sent to them with a break down. Sponsorship deadline is June 9, 2023. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark second by Gary to approve Andrew Zahn's Operator License. No issues reported. Motion carried.

Agenda Items to be Placed on Next Regular Board Meeting Agenda:

- Abatement progress at 511 Horne St
- Explanation letter of PFP fees to be included in next utility bill.
- DOT Wheel Tax Publication places.
- Citizen participation plan for the CDBG Program / Julie Frederick.

Motion by Mark, second by Tim to Adjourn.
Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:28pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Streck
Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF REDGRANITE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING – June 19, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Municipal Building on June 19, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. Roll Call: Jim Erdmann, Mark Juslen, Dillon Gray, Gary Rodencal, Ellen Caswell, Tim Hagar. Absent was Matt Knollenberg. Motion by Ellen, second by Mark to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Committee Assignments were given for the 2023-24: FINANCE/PERSONAL/INSURANCE: Jim Erdmann and Dillon Gray. MACHINERY/GARBAGE/ORDINANCES: Gary Rodencal and Ellen Caswell. MUNICIPAL BLDGS: Tim Hagar and Matt Knollenberg. PARKS/CEMETERY: Ellen Caswell and Gary Rodencal. POLICE/FIRE: Tim Hagar and Dillon Gray. SEWER/WATER: Matt Knollenberg and Mark Juslen. STREETS/SIDEWALKS/DITCHES: Mark Juslen and Matt Knollenberg. First person listed is Chair of Committee.

Motion by Mark, second by Dillon to approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting on May 15, 2023 Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT – Becky read a thank you card received from Angie Ralls, thanking everyone for the plants she received for Retirement. The Fire Dept Hose testing is set for Monday, July 24, 2023 from 6am to 6pm or until finished.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Explanation of Wheel Tax from Dan Sondalle and League of Municipalities definition is that if it is a forfeiture or a penalty, it does not need to be published in the newspaper. It is considered a Fee. Seeing as the Village of Redgranite does not have its own newspaper, the publication needs to be posted in at least three public places for citizens to view. Jim had available a copy of the email correspondence between Attorney, League of Municipalities and Village Office for anyone to view. Motion by Jim, second by Mark to open the floor. Sandy Lyles spoke of Ordinances in the past that have not been published. Wheel Tax was added to help offset some of the expenses of the Village. Jim stated the Village needs to start planning on how to move forward from the poor financial situation its in. Expenses are high on the maintenance of all equipment, wells, etc. Services may need to be cut if a solution is not reached. John Kroll stated that only a few comments were made by residents about the referendum not passing and that's why residents are getting extra fees added. Feels we need to move Redgranite forward and make it a good Village to be in.

PUBLIC FORUM – Persons Asking to Speak to the Board (reasonable amount of time not to exceed 5 minutes)

Mark Opperman – Ongoing Nuisance Issues at 511 Horne St. / Mark states there is still problems with the neighbor and would like a timeframe of when things are going to be removed. More so, items that are placed on his property getting moved back to where they belong. Violations have been ongoing on this property since January 2023.

Don Krueger – Adjustment on Utility bill for Detected Leak. Glen stated a Sewer credit would be placed on the bill. Matt R and Clerk will review. Motion by Ellen, second by Gary to approve bill adjustment.

Josh Holman & Christin Aaronson – Wedding Ceremony at Village Quarry at 10:30am on the backside. Motion by Tim, second by Dillon for approval. Jim Fredrick will help set up that day.

Sue Chamula – Gave update on the Civic Center. Right now, its Housing the Dining Center for Waushara County and the Village. They serve dinners for people over the age of

60 yrs old. Open 5 days a week and serves approximately 45-50 people. This is not a Soup Kitchen. Open to the Public. Would like to recruit new members who are energetic. Board Members are doing everything. Would like to see younger involvement. Next meeting is 2:00 pm on June 22, 2023.

Matt Coffey spoke of issues at the Quarry. Underage drinking and fighting. Littering by throwing garbage into the Quarry. Would like to see it be more of a Family orientated place and not run down or things getting out of hand. Jim stated that talks are in progress to help alleviate some of the issues happening there.

John Kroll asked about the progress on house number signs. Dillon had someone ask him about the Ordinance on living in Campers. Kyle stated that it's permissible to have a Camper on your property for 7 consecutive days but only 3 times per year. Commercial property is under a different Ordinance.

FINANCE, PERSONNEL, INSURANCE – Motion by Mark, second by Ellen, to approve General fund disbursements – checks 14367 thru 14436 (BankFirst) for a total of \$210,912.09; Water fund checks 62005738 through 62005757 (BankFirst) for a total of \$5,118.00; Sewer fund disbursements – checks 63006506 through 63006524 (BankFirst) for a total of \$45,250.89; ARPA disbursements – check 2021012 through 2021013 (BankFirst) for \$1,981.27 and payroll of \$46,309.46 creating a grand total of \$309,571.71 and approval of financial reports for General, Water and Sewer as printed. Motion carried.

Update was given by Clerk on Deputy Clerk Training. Mary wrote a note stating Gina is making good progress her first 30 days. She understands the Accounts Payable process and will be starting on the WRS Retirement payment process next. Mary recommends extending the training to the end of July. Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to extend training to August 1, 2023 with an update at the July Board Meeting. Motion carried.

MACHINERY, GARBAGE, ORDINANCES – Kyle gave an update on the raze process for 404 E Bannerman. Ruth Schmacher was served paperwork on Saturday, June 17, 2023 at 11:00am at the Omro Care Center. She is aware of Attorney Dan Sondalle's address and phone number for questions. She is working with a social worker for legal assistance on moving forward.

Kyle gave an update on the Abatement process. Three Abatement letters were sent out to Dan Sondalle to prepare to go in front of a Judge for approval. Judge will decide whether they receive another deadline or if the Village moves forward with the removal of violations. Motion by Ellen, second by Mark to send Abatement letter to 223 Steger St. Motion carried.

Update on Abatement process for 511 Horne St: Kyle stated the Abatement letter is at the Attorney's office and he is preparing it present to the Judge to sign off on. Will need to access how much manpower is involved to remove junk and vehicles. Estimated mid-July to move forward. No action needed. Approved at a prior Board meeting. Motion by Jim, second by Dillon to open the floor. Mark Opperman spoke and would like to know a clear deadline. Jim explained that the Abatement is not stalled, and he will call Attorney Sondalle and find out the status of the Abatement Letter.

The date of July 5, 2023 was set for the Hunting Committee at 5:30pm to review the applications from Brent Snow and Nick Thomas. Kyle, Jim, Dillon and Tim will attend.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING – None

PARKS, CEMETERY – Motion by Dillon, second Gary by to remove trees in Veteran's Park. A second side contractor will be needed. Eight to ten trees need to be removed. Two estimates were given. One at \$3,000.00 and the other for \$4,635.00. Quimby Tree Service will assist removing the mature rotten trees.

POLICE, FIRE – No update was given. Tim stated that he was unable to make contact with anyone.

SEWER, WATER – Matt gave a Monthly update. He is continuing his Water Degree Schooling with the Scholarships he has received. Zero cost to the Village for Schooling. Glen explained the details to the Resolution Compliance Maintenance Report. In the 2021 and 2022 profile had a rating of "C's & D's". There is an "A" Rating for 2023. Plant is 30 years old and will need updates & repairs. Future projects include updating the Oxygen Sensors and replacing manhole covers. Work is set to start in 2024. Working with DNR on compliance situations. Motion by Mark, second by Dillon to Approve the Resolution Compliance Maintenance Report. Motion carried.

Motion by Tim, second by Dillon to pay the invoice from William/Reid in the amount of \$3,504.30 for a Dissolved Oxygen Sensor. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark, second by Tim to Approve the quote from Sabel Mechanical for \$11,406.59 to replace all three pump fittings and an additional cost of \$3,000 for bypass pumping at the old lift station. Total cost for complete repairs is approximately \$15,000.00. Motion carried.

Discussion of Replacement of South Ditch Mixer Coupling tabled until July Board Meeting.

Glen discussed the Water Dept Capital Replacement Project. Ongoing for 5 years. Looking at the weak points and the stress on the systems. DNR recommends replacing machinery every 10 years. Well 2 machineries have been rebuilt and working but needs to be updated within the next 2-3 years. He is working with Brian from Ehlers to forecast financing for the expenses in these projects. Will need to apply with the PSC in the future. No action needed at this time. Glen will have quotes for the cleaning, spot priming and painting at the July Board meeting.

Motion by Mark, second by Dillon to approve the invoice of \$1,799.33 additional cost from Aqualis for sewer televising. Motion carried.

Glen drafted an explanation letter to the residents regarding the PFP charge on the next quarter water bill. Ellen suggested removing the sentence relating to the referendum status. Deadline is June 30, 2023 so it can be inserted in the second quarter water bills. Motion by Ellen, second by Tim to entirely remove the second paragraph from the drafted letter. Motion carried.

Motion by Dillon, second by Mark to also remove the Standby Fees paragraph from the explanation letter. Letter is to only have the PFP charges explained. Stand by fee charge will be discussed at a later as when it will be added to water bills. Generated revenue is estimated at \$900.00 to \$1,000.00. Motion carried.

Glen met with Conrad Detjens (622 Warren St) for permission to have a holding tank on his property to handle deer processing. Holding tank would be necessary so the discharge would not be entering the Sewer system. He agrees to be charged with the Water usage

and Sewer Fixed charges. Ellen suggests he signs a contract/permit explaining the agreement between him and the Village. Glen will have a draft of the sewer permit/contract at the July meeting.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS, DITCHES – Monthly update was given by Jim on the Sidewalk Repair/Replacement. Grinding of the sidewalk joints that have trip hazards has started. Twenty-two joints were fixed at a cost of \$1,090.00. Removal and installation of Park equipment will start next week. A tree was planted in Willow Creek Park in memory of a resident's son. Fire numbers for residents that live on the outskirts will be completed soon. Four to five street signs a week are being replaced. Willow Creek Park is being cleaned up so dirt can be laid and seeded. Drought conditions are delaying progress.

Motion by Mark second by Ellen to approve Sidewalk Replacement Reimbursement Letter. Letter has ordinances stated along with an approximate cost for replacement. Jim will calculate estimated cost. Budget item for next year to continue repairs. Residents will be asked to pay upfront, but a payment plan can be set up at the Village Office after 30 days. A twelve-to-eighteen-month reimbursement deferred plan can be set up and a \$20.00 application fee applied. If failure to pay, it will be added to the tax bill. Motion by Ellen, second by Dillon to open the floor. Jim Lyles spoke of the cost for sidewalks that are neglected. Trees will need to be removed and who pays for the removal. The Village is willing to work with residents in this situation. Christine Hagar questioned the residents that removed their sidewalks. Jim Lyles asked if the residents can make their own repairs. Jim stated that too much work would have to be done to bring to personal repairs up to code and get approved. Payments are in the discussion level and will be reviewed. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS – Jim started a discussion of an Economic Development Committee. Mark suggested an open meeting with the public to discuss participation. Motion by Mark, second by Dillon to open the floor. Jeannie McBeth stated that she would like to see better attendance by the Board at the Farmer's Market. Ed Delgado stated that more outreach is needed to network and get the program moving. This is tabled to Julys Board meeting to set a date and time for the public meeting. Motion by Ellen, second by Dillon to approve a Fireworks Permit for Andrea Wilcox (506 Twin Pines Dr) for 06/30/23 thru 07/04/23. Motion carried.

Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to enact a Citizen Participation Plan for Community Development Block Grant.(CDBG) Program. Julie spoke of Wisconsin grants that are available for the use of repair or expansion of sidewalks, water and sewer systems, road repairs, yearly projects, etc. To apply for these grants, a Citizen participation plan needs to be established first. Julie supplied a copy of her draft of the requirements. Motion carried.

Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to approve a Mobile Home Park License by WIVR Redgranite MHP of Cedaredge Colorado. Effective 07/01/23 thru 06/30/24. Tim suggested raising the cost of the application fee. Motion carried.

Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to approve the Liquor, Beer, Wine Licenses effective 7/01/23 thru 06/30/23. Motion carried.

Motion by Dillon, second by Mark to approve Liquor/Beer licenses for Sanickers Pub effective 07/01/23 thru 06/30/24 if applicable. Business was sold and closing is at the end of the month. Sandy Ross wants to be covered in the event the sale does not go through. Motion carried.

Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to approve Cigarette Sale Licenses effective 07/01/23 thru 06/30/24. Motion carried.

Motion by Ellen, second by Mark to approve Operator's Licenses effective 07/01/ thru 06/30/23. Motion carried.

Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to approve temporary Class B Retailers License to Little Sprouts for a Summer Bash on July 21, 2023. Motion carried.

Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to approve an Operator's Licenses to Sloan Hadel and Ashley Wianecki for Little Sprouts Summer Bash on July 21,2023. Motion carried.

Items to be placed on Next Regular Board Meeting's Agenda:

- Contract between Conrad Detjens (622 Warren St) and the Village for a Holding Tank at his property.
- Update/Extend Deputy Clerk Training.
- Replacement of South Ditch Mixer Coupling.
- Set date and time for a public open meeting to discuss Redgranite Economic Committee.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Streck
Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF REDGRANITE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING – July 17, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Municipal Building on July 17, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. Roll Call: Mark Juslen, Jim Erdmann, Dillon Gray, Gary Rodencal, Ellen Caswell and Tim Hagar. Motion by Mark, second by Dillon, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM – Lynette Kiernicki requested to have an extra dog for 6 months at 504 Thackery St. Her daughter is moving in and has a dog. Action tabled to next meeting. Deborah McDonald requested an adjustment to her water utility bill. Her usage was higher than normal due to excess watering. Action tabled until next meeting. Dean Knollenberg requested an adjustment to his water utility bill. Asking for a \$70.00 credit. His usage was higher than normal due to extra watering of his garden. Action tabled until next meeting. Mary Woiak with Amvets is interested in donating to the Village. Andrea Wilcox questioned the need for the ARPA Consultant position and the wages for which are being paid. Also would like to determine the actual needs vs wants of the projects listed. Not listed was the replacement cost of the damaged ice rink liner. Would like consideration of setting money aside to pay for repairs. John Kroll spoke of the criticism from a few residents of the Village employees including Utilities, Public Works, Library and Village Board. Noted that all the employees are very hard working. Matt Hagar stated that Village sidewalks can be repaired by the residents. Donna Booth stated that she appreciates all the Village employees and the job they do. She questioned the additional charges on her utility bill. She does not have sewer and water hook up. Dean Knollenberg inquired as to why the PFP charges are now added on the utility bills and not on the property tax bill.

Motion by Dillon, second by Gary, to approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting on June 19, 2023. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT – None

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – President Jim mentioned the start of live streaming of the Board meetings. This is the first time and still working on the details. This will eventually be available on both the Library and Village websites.

FINANCE, PERSONNEL, INSURANCE – Justin Hoagland, Senior Manager of Bakertilly presented the 2022 Financial Report. This report was completed at the end of April. Audit was conducted and all information compiled into his report. The financial condition of the Village's accounts was assessed, and a breakdown provided. In 2022, there was a deficit of \$228,000.00. Due largely to overspending in the Budget. Documentation supports his findings. President thanked Justin for his report.

General Fund – Check #14368 thru Check #14436 in the amount of \$54,037.09. Water Fund – Check #5730 thru Check #5757 in the amount of \$5,118.00. Sewer Fund – Check #6499 thru Check #6524 in the amount of \$45,250.89. ARPA Fund – Check #1012 & Check #1013 in the amount of \$1,981.27. Motion by Ellen, second by Mark to approve the bills listed and Financial Reports. Motion carried.

MACHINERY, GARBAGE, ORDINANCES – The next Committee of the Whole to review ordinances was set for Monday, August 7, 2023, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Motion by Dillon, second by Gary, to approve the results of the Hunting Committee for Brent Snow. He has received hunting rights on his property. Motion carried. Motion by Mark, second by Dillon to approve the results of the Hunting Committee for Nick Thomas. He has received only bow and cross-bow hunting on his property currently. Can readjust findings later to include gun use. No gun use is permitted currently. Hunting Committee decision is linked to the person and not to the property. Motion carried.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING – None

PARKS, CEMETERY – The next Quarry Committee is scheduled for Monday, July 31, 2023 at 6:00pm. Discussion on reorganizing the Quarry Committee including towns people, businesses, and Board members. All Village Parks would be considered. President Jim would like to move forward with a revised committee to handle issues arising at the Quarry. Motion by Dillon, second by Gary to set a date and time for a Quarry Committee and open the meeting for discussion getting the residents for their input. Motion carried.

POLICE, FIRE – An update on the Redgranite Area Fire District June meeting was given by Tim Hagar. He stated the new Fire Truck didn't meet specs and they are looking into another truck from the same company. Kyle spoke to the fact that at the July 7, 2023 Committee Meeting, no one from the Village Board, Police Department, or himself ever state or outright say there was any intention to close the Quarry. He was upset at the fact that a few residents were spreading incorrect information. The Police Department and the public work hard to maintain order at the Quarry and are receiving a small amount of respect from residents for the work they do. Kyle stated there is a very large problem of underage drinking. Fights are also happening. Limited staffing and other commitments to village calls received makes it hard to control. Tickets are issued but are being ignored with the same violators returning the next week. Police can't be there 24/7 and appreciate that Matt Coffey is monitoring the Quarry and letting him know of problems. Kyle is willing to help with solutions in combatting these issues. Dan Sondalle stated the ordinance would have to be amended to be able to act on repeat offenders. He would have to check into it. President Jim stated the need to get the Quarry Committee restarted to address these issues. Dan Sondalle addressed the Agreement for 511 Horne St. He met with the owners and law enforcement to evaluate if any progress has been made. Suggests this gets tabled until the August 21, 2023 Regular Board Meeting. Motion by Dillon, second by Mark to change the parking between Sunshine Coffee and the Post Office to parallel parking instead of perpendicular. Jim/Public Works will measure and repaint the lines with Kyle's approval. Motion carried. A date of August 2, 2023 at 6:00pm was set for part time Police Officer interviews and then a Police Committee to follow.

SEWER, WATER – The monthly sewer/water department update was presented by Matt. The rear adapter parts were received, and the repairs are scheduled for last week in July. An ongoing project is working on bio-feed with the wastewater. Testing for metals permit is coming up next year. Copper testing is well below the threshold allowed and looking well. Both wells were tested for PFAS and returned negative. Matt has accepted a job offer from another company. Will be submitting his letter of resignation soon. If the Board approves, Matt is willing to continue the scheduled weekend rotation until the position is filled. Would like this added to the August 2, 2023 Special Board Meeting Agenda. Matt received approximately twelve calls from residents regarding the PFP charges added to the water bills. Not a lot of complaints but mostly questions of why it was added and if it's legal to do. Per the PSC, this is legal and within limits.

Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to approve the quote of \$ 27,758.88 from Sabel Mechanical for Sewer ditch mixer coupling. This is being paid for by the General Equipment Fund and not by the General Fund. Motion carried. Motion by Mark, second by Tim, to issue a Sewer Discharge Permit to 622 Warren St. Owner is installing a holding tank. Motion carried. Glen spoke of the rate of return being at a deficit. Paperwork would need to be filed with the PSC for review. Ehlers is suggesting filing a Simplified Rate Case in October. Tabled to the August 21, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS, DITCHES – The monthly public works department update was presented to the Board by Jim. Major projects include the removal and replacement of the carousel. Slide was removed and will be placed at Eastside Park next year. Concrete and two feet of wood chips will be placed around all playground equipment later. John & Tom Sobieski have donated their time and equipment to bring everything up to grade. Eight trees were removed from Veterans Park making it a total of fourteen trees total this year. Four trees in Willow Park will be removed this year. B & R Diner have donated five memorial trees to be placed at Veterans Park. Two additional trees were donated and will be placed by the shelter house and in the island. Patching of holes was made and seeding will be done in Fall.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS – Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen, to approve an Operator's License effective July 18, 2023 thru June 30, 2024 for Rebecca Krebsbach/The Barracks. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen for an Operator's license effective July 18, 2023 thru June 30, 2024 for Nicole Kasch/The Barracks. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen, to approve an Operator's License for Wyatt Hagar/Dollar General effective July 18, 2023 thru June 30, 2024. Motion carried.

Items to be Placed on Next Regular Board Meeting Agenda – 1) Agreement on 511 Horne St/Dan Sondalle. 2) Amvets/M Woiak donation to Village. 3) Simple Rate Study Case/Glen

Motion by Gary, second by Dillon to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Streck
Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF REDGRANITE
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 161 DEARBORN ST
REGULAR BOARD MEETING – August 21, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Municipal Building on August 21, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. Roll Call: Mark Juslen, James Erdmann, Ellen Caswell, Gary Rodencal and Tim Hagar. Absent was Dillon Gray. Motion by Ellen, second by Mark to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM: Brian & Betty Welch/Welch Tree Farm asked if any of the tax parcels were considered Agricultural. He would like to see the submission paperwork for the tariff. Brian also stated that the website shows the wrong day and time for the monthly Board meetings. Dean Mathison asked regarding the Recycling Fee and wanted to make sure the Residents are getting what they pay for. Waste Management has contacted the Village with a high level of cross contamination on the weekly pick up.

Motion by Gary, second by Mark to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on July 15, 2023. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT – Becky reported that the Village received a dividend check from the League of Wisconsin Municipalities in the amount of \$2,270.00. The total of \$26,912 has been given to the Village of Redgranite over the last 15 years. Becky will be attending the WMCA Conference from August 22nd thru August 25th, 2023 in Appleton.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Matt Knollenberg has resigned his position as a Board Trustee. Jim personally thanked Matt for his service and the knowledge he brought to the Board. Jim stated that we will be looking for a replacement and if anyone has any suggestions let the Village Office know. Jim would like to see this position possibly filled by the September Board meeting.

FINANCE, PERSONNEL, INSURANCE – Jim Erdmann, Dillon Gray
Motion by Tim, second by Gary to approve General Fund disbursements – checks 14484 through 14544 (BankFirst) for a total of \$71,837.14; Water Fund checks 620005770 through 620005788 (BankFirst) for a total of \$5,920.10; Sewer Fund disbursements- checks 630006537 through 630006558 (BankFirst) for a total of \$10,188.35; No ARPA disbursements. Payroll disbursements of \$42,515.00 creating a grand total of \$130,460.59 and approval of financial reports for General, Water and Sewer as printed. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark, second by Gary to have Mary Piechowski come in once a week until the end of September 2023 to help train Gina in the Deputy Clerk position. Christy has been coming in on Tuesdays to help transition the Clerk position. Ellen suggested cross training. 4x=yes, Ellen and Tim were the opposed votes. Motion carried.

MACHINERY, GARBAGE, ORDINANCES – Gary Rodencal, Ellen Caswell
An answer/response was given regarding Dean Mathison's request under the Public Forum.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING – None

PARKS, CEMETERY – Ellen Caswell, Gary Rodencal
Update was given by cemetery sexton, Mike Getchius. He thanked Public Works for removing dead trees from the cemetery. He has received compliments from residents. June 23, 2023 was the first internment and since then, we had one full burial, 4 internments and seven grave sites were purchased. As grave sites are sold and monuments are installed the road path was blocked with cones. In September, he will work with Jim F to limit the access of the area. Possible posts might have to be installed along the edge to limited vehicle traffic.

An update of Quarry Park was given by Jim. Working on ideas for fundraising. Possibly a Fall Festival. Working the trails around the Quarry to make them Handi-capped accessible so more people can use it. Quarry Committee meeting is set for Wednesday, August 23, 2023 at 6:00pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Jim F. gave an update on Willow Park. A lot of vandalism with people driving on and making “donuts” on the grounds. Cameras were installed and one person was caught. A citation was issued to that person. It’s hard to get license plates. Recommends that a few more cameras be installed at the entrance and exit to get the license plates. Will reach out to Jeremiah Quick/Quick Technologies for quotes. Will be available for the September Board Meeting.

POLICE, FIRE – Tim Hagar, Dillon Gray

Monthly update from the Redgranite Area Fire District was given by Tim. Fire Chief/Mark Piechowski supplied minutes and a financial hand out for the Board to review. Police have been issuing tickets to violators at the Quarry. Motion by Mark, second by Gary to approve the invoice from Motorola Solutions in the amount of \$1,387.74 for annual maintenance. Motion carried.

SEWER, WATER – Mark Juslen

Monthly update was given by Brent. In the process of biological phosphorus removal with organisms. DNR will monitor the upcoming discharge permit and will lower the phosphorus discharge limits allowed. Future installation of gates will help slow down the flow. Seeing improvements in removal with 50% less cost. No detection of P-Phos. Baffles and weirs have been replaced or fixed at North Clarifier. Motion by Tim, second by Mark to approve invoice from Badger Labs in the amount of \$3,254.00 for Well 1 & Well 2 Testing. Motion carried. Motion by Ellen, second by Gary to terminate the phone service at Twin Pines Lift Station. Back up dialer is not needed anymore. Using on-call phones. Motion carried. Motion by Tim, second by Gary to not allow an adjustment to 465 Pine River St. Utility bill to be paid as is. Motion carried. Motion by Tim, second by Gary on customer request to combine lots into one parcel. Resident approached the County and they sent the request to the Village. Glen spoke to Dan Sondalle and the PSC. PSC states lots can not be allowed to be combined at the Village level relating to the tariff. Anyone may contact the PSC and can reapply and they will relocate the amounts accordingly. Next water rate study will determine the allocations. Waiting for final reply from Dan Sondalle. Information was not available at the time of the meeting. Postponed to the September Board Meeting.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS, DITCHES – Mark Juslen ,

Update was given by Jim Fredrick/Public Works. A new slide was installed in Veteran’s Park. Wood chips and topsoil was spread. Grass seed was planted. After Labor Day, more work will be added to level the grounds. Working on painting crosswalks on the side roads. The rest will be painted and finished by Thursday. Benches were repaired and painted along downtown Highway 21 and one at Veteran’s Park. Street signs and house numbers are being put up when time permits. Ditches and roadsides were mowed. Jim thanked John Kroll and Sandy Sieg for their assistance on ditch work on Pine St. Jim also thanked Dave Kroll for his hard work on the library grounds. He keeps everything well-kept. Banners were being put up with the goal of having them all in place for the Labor Day Festival. Motion by Mark, second by Tim to replace two culverts on Dedrick St. Quotes were given for \$5,500 & \$6,650. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS –

1. Motion by Tim, second by Ellen to approve a Temporary Class B Retailer's License for Redgranite Advancement Association on September 2-4, 2023 at Veteran's Memorial Park and September 2-4, 2023 at Willow Creek Park. Motion carried.
2. Motion by Ellen, second by Mark to approve Temporary Operator's license for Redgranite Advancement Association for Brenda Masticola, Gail Pierotti, Tricia Sieg and David Hempel. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Gary, second by Mark to approve the request to close Franklin Street between Pine River Street and Maple Street from Friday, September 1, 2023, after Meal Site closes, thru Monday, September 4, 2023 at 8:00pm. Motion carried.
4. Motion by Mark, second by Ellen to approve the request to Close Willow Creek One Way Road going into the Park and cover the Direction sign on the One Way going out of the Park on Saturday, September 2, 2023, from 8:00am to 2:00pm. Motion carried.
5. Motion by Mark, second by Gary to approve the request to change direction of Willow Creek One Way Road coming out of the Park for available Parking in Willow Creek Park for KidzRock on Saturday, September 2, 2023 from 8:00am until 2:00pm. Motion carried.
6. Motion by Gary, second by Ellen to close Quarry Park early on Sunday, September 3, 2023 at 3:00pm in Preparation for the Fireworks. Motion carried.
7. Motion by Mark, second by Tim to approve the request to close Division Street next to Quarry Park on Sunday, September 3, 2023 from 5:00 to 11:00pm for Fireworks. Motion carried.
8. Motion by Tim, second by Ellen to approve request to Extend the Noise Ordinance on Saturday, September 2, 2023 at Willow Creek Park to 11:00pm for Music and Sunday, September 3, 2023 at Quarry Park to 11:00pm for Fireworks. Motion carried.
9. Motion by Tim, second by Mark to approve the Contract, Insurance requested and Permit from Wolverine Fireworks Display, Inc for Sunday, September 3, 2023 for Fireworks display. Motion carried.
10. Motion by Mark, second by Gary for approval for Additional Police Reserves for Labor Day Event if available. Motion carried.
11. Motion by Ellen, second by Mark on approval of Application for Operator's License effective August 22, 2023 thru June 30, 2024 for Kylee Splinter/Rick's Irish Pub. Motion carried.
12. Motion by Ellen, second by Gary on approval of Application for Operator's License effective August 22, 2023 thru June 30, 2024 for Amanda Lepkowski/The Post Office Bar. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark, second by Gary to Adjourn. Meeting Adjourned at 7:43pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Streck
Village Clerk

Next Regular Board Meeting – Monday, September 18, 2023

VILLAGE OF REDGRANITE
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 161 DEARBORN ST
REGULAR BOARD MEETING – September 18, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Municipal Building on September 18, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Roll Call: Mark Juslen, James Erdmann, Ellen Caswell, Dillon Gray and Tim Hagar. Absent was Gary Rodencal. Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM: Brian Welch/Welch Tree Farm would like the Village Board to reconsider the charge of a tariff on Multiple Parcels. He stated it is against Wisconsin Statue 196.03. Joan Capp expressed to the Board; she would like to be considered for the Open Trustee Position. Belinda Passarelli would like to thank the board for allowing Mary Piechowski to continue to work with Becky and Gina and that the Board should allow her to continue helping through the end of the year. Thomas Daul asked to have 3 dogs. The dogs are their service animals. He is building a fence for the dogs to stay in his yard. Tabled to the October Regular Meeting.

Motion by Mark, second by Tim to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on August 19, 2023. Motion carried. Ellen corrected that it is Brian and Betty Welch not Brian and Mary Welch.

CLERK'S REPORT – Village Trick or Treat will be on October 29, 2023, from 3-5 PM. It will be posted in the newspapers. Becky attended the WMCA Clerks Conference in August. It was very informative, and she was glad to have the opportunity to attend.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Jim will speak with people interested in becoming a board trustee member by the next meeting. Mentioned Fall Festival will be on October 28, 2023. Raising money to fix up trails around the Quarry.

FINANCE, PERSONNEL, INSURANCE – Jim Erdmann, Dillon Gray
Motion by Dillon, second by Mark to approve General Fund disbursements – checks 14567 through 14596 (BankFirst) for a total of \$29,469.38; Water Fund checks 620005793 through 620005798 (BankFirst) for a total of \$20,412.47; Sewer Fund disbursements- checks 630006564 through 630006572 (BankFirst) for a total of \$4,905.23; ARPA disbursements- check 202001017 for \$325.00, Balance of \$55,112.08; Payroll disbursements of \$40,487.10 creating a grand total of \$95,599.18, and approval of financial reports for General, Water and Sewer as printed. Motion carried.

Dan Sondalle spoke on Open Meeting Law Compliance. He provided a handout to all Board Members. Stressed the fact about Walking Quorum issues, emailing, and talking of Board members outside of Meetings. Could be in violation.

MACHINERY, GARBAGE, ORDINANCES – Gary Rodencal, Ellen Caswell
Approval of Offense Letters to residents guilty of Cross Contamination of recycling with Waste/Trash materials. Tabled to the October Board Meeting. Motion carried.
Motion by Mark, second by Ellen to Act on Pre-Demolition proposal from Airtite Environmental Services for Asbestos testing at 404 E Bannerman Ave, not to exceed \$1,500.
Motion by Dillon second by Ellen to Act on getting Contractor Demolition/Building removal bids in the newspaper and out verbally for 404 E Bannerman Ave.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING – None

PARKS, CEMETERY – Ellen Caswell, Gary Rodencal
Motion by Mark, second by Dillon to accept Estimate from Quick Technologies LLC for \$712 using ARPA Funds, to install cameras at Willow Park to help with vandalism issues.
Motion by Dillon, second by Mark to plant a tree in honor of Richard (Mort) Piechowski either at Veteran's or Willow Park next year.

POLICE, FIRE – Tim Hagar, Dillon Gray
Monthly update from the Redgranite Area Fire District was given by Tim. Tim and Jim attended the Redgranite Area Fire District meeting. New fire truck is getting started, contract was signed for \$95,000.00 for apparatus for fire truck. Costs have gone up, \$21,200.00 for the initial cost to start building the new fire truck. Motion by Dillon second by Tim to approve Ordinance Section 6-1-9 / Disposal of Waste. This will help with the problem with people dumping their household garbage at parks. Motion by Tim second by Dillon to approve Village of Redgranite withdrawing from the Wautoma Are Municipal Court and joining the Waushara County Circuit Court

at the end of Judge Mert's term, April 2024. The court costs are figured into the fine of the offender instead of the Village of Redgranite having to pay a flat fee to the city. Motion by Tim second Mark to approve the mutual Aid with the Wautoma Police Department. Motion by Dillion second by Ellen to place ads for a full time Police Officer position to be filled in 2024. Kyle spoke on deployment of Speed Trailer and status of Security Trailer. People are slowing down when they are seeing the flashing light of trailer. This s is working at getting people to slow down. The security trailer will be up soon. Ice guard to be placed on roof of Police Department to keep icicles from falling onto people. The new Squad Car will be done in the next couple of weeks. Kyle gave an update on Abatement Issues. Motion by Dillion second by Tim to approve disposal of the old Squad Car and Equipment. Motion by Dillon second by Tim to purchase 4 tires for Police squad from Pomp's Tire at \$152.70 per tire (total of \$610.80) and \$200.00 estimate Wheel Alignment from Loren's Auto Repair. Kyle gave an update on State reimbursement to the Village for Police services provided to Redgranite Correctional Institution. Motion by Dillon second by Ellen to plant tree in honor of Robert Hadel in the SE corner of Village Hall Parking lot

SEWER, WATER – Mark Juslen

Monthly update was given by Brent. Cleaning of sludge was done himself, saved the Village \$2200.00 by not paying someone else. DNR requested testing of all our large meters was complete last week. Motion by Tim second by Mark to approve Proposal from Municipal Well and Pump to install a VFD and replace valves and piping at Well #2 in the amount of \$20,760.00. Motion by Mark Second by Dillon to increase the advertised starting wage from \$20.00 per hour to \$22.50 per hour for the Assistant Operator position. Ellen – Nay. Motion by Mark second by Dillon to approve invoice from PJK in the amount of \$1,680.52 for Control Float Rewiring and Alarm Programming.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS, DITCHES – Mark Juslen

Update was given by Jim Fredrick/Public Works. Replacing street signs is almost complete. Two culvert replacements on Diedrick have been completed. Thank you to Sobieski brothers for donating their time and equipment. Sidewalk work will start this week.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS –

1. Motion by Dillon second by Tim to approve IT Service from Badgerland Computer to Jason Johanknect.
2. Motion by Tim second by Dillon to approve sending the President and Clerk to the League of Municipalities Conference in Green Bay on Oct. 18 – 20th, 2023.
3. Motion by Dillon second by Ellen to approve Jason Netzler/The Barracks Operator's License effective September 19, 2023, through June 30, 2024.
4. Motion by Dillon second by Ellen to approve Jessica Netzler/The Barracks Operator's License effective September 19, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

Items to be Placed on Next Regular Board Meeting's Agenda:

1. Thomas Daul – 3 Dogs allowed.
2. Recycle – Ordinance / Offense Letters
3. Brian Welch – Tax Tarriff

Motion by Ellen, second by Dillon to Adjourn. Meeting Adjourned at 8:03pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Gina Smukowski
Village Deputy Clerk

Next Regular Board Meeting – Monday, October 16, 2023

VILLAGE OF REDGRANITE
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 161 DEARBORN ST
REGULAR BOARD MEETING – October 16, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Municipal Building on October 16, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. Roll Call: Mark Juslen, James Erdmann, Ellen Caswell, Dillon Gray, Tim Hagar and Gary Rodencal. Motion by Ellen, second by Dillon to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM: Dean Knollenberg – Not Present
Ben Auck – Not Present
Thomas Daul – Not Present * Meeting was ½ hour earlier than normal.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on September 18, 2023. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT – Becky reported a thank you card was received from the family of Mort Piechowski for the plant. A thank you was also received from the RAA for all the hard work from the Village to make the Festival a great success. The Grant money in the amount of \$85,900 was received per Julie.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Fall Festival is scheduled for Saturday, October 28, 2023. Anyone interested in volunteering their time & talents should come down to Veteran's Park that day. Quarry meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2023 at 6:00pm.

FINANCE, PERSONNEL, INSURANCE – Jim Erdmann, Dillon Gray
Motion by Ellen, second by Gary to approve General Fund disbursements – checks 14597 through 14645 (BankFirst) for a total of \$30,978.23 Water Fund checks 620005799 through 620005814 (BankFirst) for a total of \$3,521.82. Sewer Fund disbursements- checks 630006573 through 630006586 (BankFirst) for a total of \$8,501.62. ARPA disbursements- check 202001018 for \$3,440.09. Payroll disbursements of \$40,315.61 creating a grand total of \$86,757.37. Approval of financial reports for General, Water and Sewer as printed. Motion carried. Motion by Ellen, second by Dillon to hire Steaven Laude as the full time Assistant Water Operator. Wages determined as printed in the newspaper ad. 5 votes in favor. 1 vote from Tim Hagar opposed. Motion carried. Motion by Tim, second by Mark to approve a \$100 gift card for Mary Piechowski's 4.50 years of service as Deputy Clerk. Motion carried. Tami Olzewski at Ehlers & Associates to speak and present a Sewer/Water Surplus Management Plan at the November 20th Board Meeting.

SEWER, WATER – Mark Juslen
Monthly update was given by Brent. Conversion of old lighting to LED's at the Plant was completed. Working on editing the mapping software to make it more accurate. There was a DNR inspection with no major issues reported. Contact list needs to be updated and Brent will send it to them. Lisa Trebatoski at Ehlers & Associates gave a presentation on Water Rate Study & Planning. Need to look at the system like a business that operates 24/7. An evaluation was completed looking over the last five-year history with a projection for the future. Last conventional Rate Case was in March 15th of 2018. Redgranite is below the benchmark on the rate of return. Two rate increases have been implemented since 2018. Motion by Tim, second by Mark to postpone a Full PSC Rate Study in 2024 or 2025 for \$7,500 Tabled until a future meeting. Motion carried. Lisa states Redgranite is eligible for another Simplified Rate Increase of 8% for 2024. A Full Rate Increase of 37% by 2026. PSC dictates how the implementation of the increase will work. A lot of surrounding areas are seeing an increase in rates. Ad needs to be placed in newspaper 45 days prior to implementation date. Motion by Tim, second by Dillon to approve the application for a Simplified Rate case in November 2023 for 01/01/2024 activation. Motion carried. Motion by Mark, second by Dillon to approve Dorner quote to replace or rebuild a 4" Cla-valve but not to exceed \$4,000. Motion carried. Motion by Mark, second by Tim to approve the addition of four stage monitors for the Lift Station. Motion carried.

MACHINERY, GARBAGE, ORDINANCES – Gary Rodencal, Ellen Caswell
Update was given by Jim. The dates for Village Leaf pick up will be October 30, 2023 thru November 24, 2023. Brush pick up is October 30, 2023 thru November 3, 2023. No large item pick up in Fall. Motion by Gary, second by Mark to approve the dates for Leaf & Brush pick up. Motion carried. Motion by Gary, second by Ellen to approve 1st & 2nd Offense Letters sent to residents with cross contamination items in collection bins. Repeat offenders may result in discontinuation of services. Motion to Dillon, second by Ellen to table the Recycling Ordinance to the next Ordinance Committee Meeting. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, second by Mark to except bid from Egbert Excavating in the amount of \$12,850 for demolition at 404 E Bannerman Ave. Motion carried.

.MUNICIPAL BUILDING – None

PARKS, CEMETERY – Ellen Caswell, Gary Rodencal

Update was given by Jim Erdmann on Quarry Park. Fall Festival is scheduled for October 28, 2023 with the proceeds used on improvements of the trails. Volunteers are needed for games and children's activities, raffles, etc. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. Dillon states this year is geared more to children with future events incorporating adult activities. Jim stated the focus was to bring a positive outlook by getting the Village residents involved. Getting rid of negativity.

POLICE, FIRE – Tim Hagar, Dillon Gray

Monthly update was given by Tim. A new Police squad was delivered and is in use. Ice Guards are available, and Jim will be installing them in early November as time permits. Tim attended the District Fire Meeting and there will be a 10% increase to the district members. Funding increase is necessary to help with ongoing expenses.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS, DITCHES – Mark Juslen

Update was given by Jim. Park updates were made and getting ready for the Winter months. Problem with moles. Generator was donated by Generac. Large enough to run the entire shop. Sidewalks are continuing to be replaced. A raise of 1" in grade was necessary to stop the water from running down the sidewalks. Was able to complete an additional 200' by using existing monies set aside. Concrete prices have increased since the start of the project. Jim has donated his time and machinery to finish the project at no expense to the Village. Encourages everyone to go look at the new sidewalks on Thackery St. Jim thanked Dave Hoppa for his donation of \$1,000 in ground granite. An update of the security cameras was given. All items have been ordered and are awaiting delivery.

LIBRARY -

Monthly update was given by Jeannie. "Read by Example Program" has started. Friends of the Library Meeting is set for Wednesday, October 18th, at 9:00am. Recapping the Community Market and looking at additional fund-raising efforts for next year. The Library Board Meeting is set for Thursday, October 19th, 2023 at 6:00pm. Discussions of the Budgets and how to revise the Library to increase services. Bug Tussel is coming in to help adults work with their devices and computers. Working on the Library website to relaunch a more robust site in January 2024. There has been an increase of 25% in September attendance from last year due to the increase of hours of operation. Does not include foot traffic or programs. Working on a 25 year Capital Improvement Plan. Waushara County does not charge Library fines for overdue materials while surrounding areas do.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS –

Motion by Dillon second by Tim to approve Temporary Class B license to Redgranite Fall Festival on October 28, 2023 at Veteran's Memorial Park from 12:00pm to 6:00pm. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to approve a Temporary Operator's License to the Redgranite Fall Festival / Linda Leitner on October 28, 2023. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon second by Ellen to approve closure of Franklin St between Maple St and Pine River St for the Redgranite Fall Festival on October 28, 2023 from 12:00pm to 6:00pm. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to approve a \$50.00 donation to the RAA for Hometown Holiday & Tree Lighting. Motion carried. Floor was opened to Thomas Dahl for the Public Forum. Asking for a third dog to be a service dog. Tabled to the November 20th, 2023 Board Meeting. John Kroll spoke of lack of decorations and banners on streets and poles. Surrounding areas put up holiday decorations. Ellen asked about the progress of the leak at Bonnell Ave and Foster Rd. Egbert is scheduled to come for repair. Had two emergencies and was unable to come.

Items to be Placed on Next Regular Board Meeting's Agenda:

- 1 Thomas Dahl – Approval of a third dog at residence.
- 2 Brian Welch – Board vote on Tax Tariff.
- 3 New Ordinance for Interviews of new employee procedure.

Motion by Ellen, second by Dillon to Adjourn. Meeting Adjourned at 7:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Streck
Village Clerk

Next Regular Board Meeting – Monday, November 20, 2023

VILLAGE OF REDGRANITE
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 161 DEARBORN ST
REGULAR BOARD MEETING – November 20, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Municipal Building on November 20, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 6:30p.m. Roll Call: Mark Juslen, James Erdmann, Ellen Caswell, Gary Rodencal, Dillon Gray and Tim Hagar. Motion by Ellen, second by Dillon to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM: Cory Berendes was a no show. Ben Auck was a no show. Thomas Dahl was tabled to the December Board Meeting. He was omitted on the November meeting and would like a decision on his therapy dog situation.

Motion by Ellen, second by Gary to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on October 21, 2023. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT – Becky stated the Village Office will be closed on Thanksgiving Day (11/23/2023) and Friday, 11/24/2023. For the Christmas holiday, the Village Office will be open Friday, 12/22/2023 until noon and closed on Monday, Christmas Day 12/25/2023. Same schedule for the end of the year. Friday, (12/29/2023) open until noon and closed Monday, 01/01/2024. Becky also stated on Friday, December 8, 2023 the Village Office will be closed from 8:30am until 1:30pm for Election Training for Gina, Ellen and herself at the Court house. Ashley/Sunshine Coffee House gave a donation of \$410.00 to the Village for a new liner for the skating rink. Becky also thanked the Board and employees for the plant and kind words given in the passing of her Mother.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Jim thanked the Village Board for all the hard work on the 2024 Budget. Jim also thanked all who were involved in the Fall Festival. It was a success. Plans are started for next year's event. Cookie Walk is scheduled for Saturday, December 2, 2023. Tree is set up and decorated at Veteran's Park. Ellen added that Preston Place is looking for people in the community to choose a star off a tree to buy items needed/wanted by the residents.

FINANCE, PERSONNEL, INSURANCE – Jim Erdmann, Dillon Gray
Motion by Mark, second by Dillon to approve General Fund disbursements – checks 14646 through 14706 (Bank First) for a total of \$55,567.90. Water Fund disbursements -checks 5815 through 5841(Bank First) for a total of \$7,246.10. Sewer Fund disbursements – checks 6587 through 6615 (Bank First) for a total of \$10,921.24. Payroll disbursement checks in the amount of \$48,087.45. Motion carried. Tami Olszewski/Ehlers & Associates gave a presentation on a Draft Sewer/Water Surplus Funds Management Program. Tami supplied a handout of the prepared draft plan. Motion by Dillon, second by Mark to accept the draft. Nay vote by Ellen. She would like Dan Sondalle to look over the documents. Would like him present at the December meeting to discuss documents. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, second by Mark to approve the Engagement Resolution Agreement. Nay vote from Ellen. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, second by Gary to approve the Fund Balance Policy. Nay vote by Ellen. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, second by Mark to approve the Draft of the Investment Policy. Nay vote by Ellen. Motion by Dillon, second by Gary to approve Village of Redgranite Resolution # 2023-02. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, second by Mark to Approve the 2024 General, Sewer, Water Budgets and Levy Limit. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, second by Gary to approve a year end Employee Recognition Stipend of \$75.00 per Village employee.

LIBRARY - Jeannie McBeth

An update was given by Jeannie. A "Giving Tree" was set up at the Library to support less fortunate children in the community and Waushara county. The remaining tags left are for 12-14 year old boys and girls. This age group could use items that are needed or wanted. Getting ready for the "Cookie Walk" on December 2, 2023. Having a Book Sale along with a Bake Sale for a fundraiser the day of the "Cookie Walk". Proceeds would help the Library. Library Services will be renegotiated in 2024. Library services are above average in Redgranite. Jeannie is looking for more governmental funding. Technical Board met and are helping with upgrading services. Jeannie completed her certification and has two more classes to take in Spring and Fall of 2024. A donation of \$1,000 from Friends of Wonder Books. This will help promote the A-Plus Book Program at Preston Place.

MACHINERY, GARBAGE, ORDINANCES – Gary Rodencal, Ellen Caswell

Date was set for the next Ordinance Meeting for Monday, December 11, 2023 at 5:00pm. Finishing up on the Muni code Ordinances. Kyle suggests that someone be present for the Zoning. Sue Leahy didn't call back.

John Lust will be notified and see if he is available.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING – None

PARKS, CEMETERY – Ellen Caswell, Gary Rodencal

Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to close Willow Creek Park over the Winter months. Motion carried. Mike Getchius asked for approval of adding additional cremains to an existing plot in the first addition, Lot 54. Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to approve the addition of cremains in the cemetery, First Addition, Lot 54. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to review/revise the regulations of the Village cemetery. Suggestion was made by Dillon to contact surrounding townships to get their current cemetery regulations. Ellen stated Beloit, WI has well written regulations aligned with State statutes. Motion carried.

POLICE, FIRE – Tim Hagar, Dillon Gray

Monthly update from the Redgranite Area Fire District was given by Tim. Fire District received a matching grant of \$20,000. They are working on updating resident location structure maps. Next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, November 29, 2023 at 7:30pm. Ice guards will be installed the week of November 27, 2023 per Jim Fredrick. Kyle spoke of the Donation box located by the Clerk's Office. Nursing students from UWO are collecting items for the Holidays to be distributed to people in the area. Kyle stated the new police squad is running well and is getting improved gas mileage.

SEWER, WATER – Mark Juslen

Monthly update was given by Brent. Pressure at the Well has improved with the start-ups decreasing. Will save working hours on the motor increasing the life. A new check valve was replaced helping with the corrosion of pipes. DNR inspection for Sewer & Water was completed. Representative came and toured the facilities. No violations were reported. Brent added that the new operator, Steaven Laude has a good understanding of the alarms in the system and is confident in working alone on the weekends. Training is going well. Water leak on Bonnell Ave has been fixed with a 6" replacement valve. Brent also stated that 244,000 gallons of sludge was removed from the tank. Ben Auck and Cory Berendes are asking for a reduction in 3rd quarter utility bill. This is tabled until the December Board Meeting. Brent is working on a written policy for the reduction of the sewer portion for residents with higher-than-normal bills. Water usage was still used but did not go into the sewer system. Tabled until Policy is written. Motion by Mark, second by Gary to approve the quote of \$2,385 from Aqualis for Lift Station cleaning. Motion carried. Motion by Mark, second by Tim to approve Matt Rettler for part time/weekend employment at the Sewer/Water plant. Motion carried.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS, DITCHES – Mark Juslen

An update was given by Jim Fredrick/Public Works. Brush pick up is complete and bagged pick up will be completed in the following week. Sidewalks were completed and in Spring the topsoil will be filled in and grass seed planted. Park Shelters have all been drained and closed for the year. Working on the Maintenance of the equipment for Winter. Framework for the Ice rink will be going up soon. Christmas tree was put up and lights strung in Veteran's Park. Motion by Mark, second by Gary to approve the addition of Precision Seal Coating to be added to the Vendor Payment List. Motion carried. Jim stated a LRIP Grant was received in the amount of \$26,961.24 for road reconstruction. Wautoma and Redgranite were the only ones to apply. Wautoma surrendered their portion and Redgranite received the full amount. There is a deadline of 2030 for the monies to be used by. Warming shelter for the Ice rink was donated by Paul Retzlaff/Retzlaff Trucking. He will deliver it and remove and store it for the Village. Ladies Amvet Group donated \$250 for picnic tables at Veteran's Park. These are currently at the Prison waiting to be constructed. Jim thanked Ashley/Sunshine Coffee Shop for the donation of the liner for the skating rink. He also thanked Jim Erdmann & his family for helping with the tree and decorations at Veteran's Park.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS –

1. Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to approve the request for an Alcohol Beverage Retail License for the Amvets Post 13/Veteran's Club from November 21, 2023 thru June 30, 2024. Gary abstained from voting. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to approve the application for an Operator's license for Charles Webb/Amvets Post 13 effective November 21, 2023 thru June 30, 2024. Gary abstained from voting. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to approve the application for an Operator's License for Charles Vander Perren/Amvets Post 13 effective November 21, 2023 thru June 30, 2024. Gary abstained from voting. Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to approve an application for Operator's License for James Graser/Dollar General effective November 21, 2023 thru June 30, 2024. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to approve the application for an Operator's License for Joni Taylor/Dollar General effective November 23, 2023 thru June 30, 2024.

Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to approve an application for Janice Bickelhaupt/Rick's Irish Pub effective November 21, 2023 thru June 30, 2024. Motion carried. Time Limits for a Direct Sales Permits were tabled until the next Muni code/Ordinance meeting. Recommendation by Jim Erdmann for allowing the mobile Taco Truck to operate until the end of December.

Motion by Mark, second by Gary to Adjourn. Motion carried. Adjourned at 8:08pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Streck
Village Clerk

Next Regular Board Meeting – Monday, December 18, 2023

VILLAGE OF REDGRANITE
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 161 DEARBORN ST
REGULAR BOARD MEETING – December 18, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Municipal Building on December 18, 2023. The meeting was called to order by Jim Erdmann at 6:30 p.m. Roll Call: Mark Juslen, Gary Rodencal, Tim Hagar, James Erdmann, Ellen Caswell and Dillon Gray. Motion by Ellen second by Dillon Gray to approve the Agenda. All in favor. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM:

1. Katie Warnick – Beiser Realty was not in attendance.
2. John Kroll – Addressed the Board with a request to find Grants to offer Businesses to update the main drive that might be interested in coming to Redgranite. There's a lot of empty spaces that are in need of repairs or updates. His second item was to reinstate the Christmas decoration contest of businesses and residents. Offering of 1st place \$100, 2nd place \$75 and a 3rd place \$50. John spoke of how Redgranite does not decorate the light poles for various holidays. Surrounding communities have scarecrows for Thanksgiving and Christmas displays. Ordinance was changed to allow decorations. Dillon will check to see what the Ordinance now states.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Board Meeting from November 20, 2023. Motion by Gary Rodencal, second by Mark Juslen to approve the minutes. All in favor. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT – None

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – None

FINANCE, PERSONNEL, INSURANCE – Jim Erdmann, Dillon Gray
Motion by Ellen Caswell, second by Mark Juslen to approve General Fund disbursements – checks 14673 through 14722 (BankFirst) for a total of \$62,952.34; Water Fund checks 6205830 through 6205847 (BankFirst) for a total of \$5,182.81; Sewer Fund disbursements- checks 6306603 through 6306621 (BankFirst) for a total of \$9,946.67 and Payroll of \$40,528.12 creating a grand total of \$118,609.94 and approval of financial reports for General, Water and Sewer Funds as printed. All in favor. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon Gray second by Ellen Caswell, to accept the Resignation Letter from Kathy Johnson/Police Department. Officer Chappa states that Kathy is willing to come in and help if needed. Motion by Dillon Gray, second by Mark Juslen to approve Ehlers & Associates Financial Proposal from November Board Meeting. The date of January 15, 2024 at 6:15pm was set for the Caucus. Set for fifteen minutes prior to the Regular Board Meeting. Clerk will place publication in the newspaper by December 31, 2023 as needed. Motion by Mark Juslen, second by Tim Hagar to approve Caucus date. All in favor. Motion carried.

SEWER, WATER –Mark Juslen

Monthly update was given by Brent Snow. Steaven Laude attended certification classes in Sanitary Sewer Collection and Basic Wastewater at the end of November. Brent commented he is doing a great job. Cleaned the sewer line section on Laing Street from Bonnell Ave to Main Street. No issues reported. Brent showed Steaven how to collect the cellular/mobile quarterly meter reads. All seven Lift Stations were maintained and all under a days' time. Brent stated a Focus on Energy Grant was filed for Well 2 with help from Matt Rettler. Brent stated the Cross Connection inspection is due with the DNR. A total of 38 cross connections per year. With a completion time of approximately five years to have all switched over. Motion by Mark Juslen, second by Dillon Gray to Approve the Draft of the Water / Sewer Reduction Policy. All in favor. Motion carried. An average of the prior year will be calculated. Water fixed and Sewer fixed charges would not be forgiven. Only 40% of Sewer fees will be requested if it went in the sewer system. Utility employees will contact the resident and figure out the charges. This will eliminate the need for the residents to come to the regular Board Meetings and request an adjustment. All in favor. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, second Mark Juslen to approve quote from Ferguson Waterworks for \$1,705.34. All in favor. Motion carried. Motion by

Dillon, second by Mark to approve Egbert Excavating Invoice # 17541 in the amount of \$ 4,275.00 for repairing watermain valve on Bonnell Avenue and Foster Rd. All in favor. Motion carried. Motion by Mark, second by Tim to add MSA Commercial Cross Connection to the pre-approved contractor vendor list. All in favor. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, second by Gary to approve the 2024 Service Agreement with Glen McCarty. Jim Erdmann states that Glen has been a great support person with multiple municipalities. 5 votes in favor. Tim Hagar was a nay vote. Motion carried. Motion by Dillon, second by Ellen to approve the Winn-911 quote on existing SCADA Computer in the amount of \$4,890.00. Brent states this is for the initial software for alarms and the annual maintenance amount should be approximately \$1,000. All in favor. Motion carried.

MACHINERY, GARBAGE, ORDINANCES – Gary Rodencal, Ellen Caswell

There was no Monthly update given. Motion by Mark, second by Ellen to allow Thomas Dahl to have three dogs on his property. One being a service dog. Dillon stated that Thomas has been training his dogs and is very thorough with them. No issue is present. All in favor. Motion carried. Motion by Tim, second by Dillon to Approve the purchase of a 54” JD Snow Blade from Ballweg Implements in the amount of \$1,767.00. All in favor. Motion carried. Jim Erdmann stated that due to a medical issue, John Lust was not able to attend the meeting. Dillon stated that John attended the last Ordinance Meeting and brought a lot of valuable knowledge about Zoning and permits. Motion by Dillon, second by Tim to table until the next Board Meeting approving John Lust/Kunkel Engineer as a consultant for Village zoning and permit issues. Also tabled until the next Board Meeting approving a Fee schedule with John Lust/Kunkel Engineering Group to assist with Village Zoning and Inspections. Motion by Dillon, second by Mark to table the two issues until January’s Regular Board Meeting. All in favor. Motion carried. Discussion of updating the member list on the Zoning Board of Appeals List. Most members are outdated, or their term has expired. Ellen suggests it be tabled or postponed to the January Board Meeting at the time of the Caucus. Jim Fredrick spoke to the Replacement of a new lawn mower. He has a bid of \$13,999.00. He would be able to sell the current one for approximately \$8,000 because of the low hours. All Departments use the Lawn Mower and he feels the cost should be split between all Departments. Motion by Dillon, second by Tim to table the final purchase approval to the January Board Meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING – Tim Hagar No update given.

PARKS, CEMETERY – Ellen Caswell, Gary Rodencal

Update was given by Jim F. Park lights were not working but have been since resolved. Unauthorized vehicles have been caught on camera driving around out at Willow Creek Park. Next year the placement of better barricades will be discussed.

POLICE, FIRE – Tim Hagar, Dillon Gray

Tim gave a monthly update for the Redgranite Area Fire District. Still looking for money to put towards a new fire truck. Brie stated the Fire District implemented a new Fire committee geared toward Health & Safety Standards for the department members. Brie will head the committee. The committee will teach personnel how to wash gear, maintain hazardous materials and clean the equipment.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS, DITCHES – Mark Juslen

Update from Jim Fredrick/Public Works. Warming shed for the Ice Rink is being worked on. Should be completed by the holidays. Willow Creek Park is closed and will remain closed until Spring. The new license plate reader has been in use and has caught a person driving in Willow Creek Park. Ice rink frame was installed at Veteran’s Park and awaiting colder weather in order to fill it. Below freezing temperatures are needed to get it to freeze solid. Brush & leaf pick up has been completed. All Village equipment is ready for Winter use. Furnace thermostat at Village Hall needed replacing for the heat zoning area. All work was completed. LED lights were replaced on the small JD tractor and a strobe light was added to the plow for better visibility. Snow guards have been received and installed. Jim stated the LRIP Funded Road Project money will be considered for a Bridge Ln or Townline Rd project. Bids will need to be posted in the newspaper. Motion by Mark, second by Gary to approve the selected road project in 2024 but not to exceed \$30,000.00.

LIBRARY –

Monthly update was given by Jeannie McBeth. Library traffic generally increases over the holidays with children off school. There were 159 people for the Cookie Walk. Ran out of baked goods but had a few cookies left. Library helped at the Civic Center for “Breakfast with Santa.” Jeannie thanked Mark Juslen for helping. The Civic Center is fundraising for new flooring. A goal of \$7,500 was set. The Civic Center needs additional help in promoting their efforts. The building has a historical background and would like to see it preserved. The Winne Fox Annual Meeting is in January. This is the meeting where an election of Board positions will be held. A “Story Walk” is being worked on using the monies collected from the Lucille Clark Community Market and donations. The target area that they would like to start at is around the Quarry. The Library and Friends have committed \$2,500 for the materials and copyright. The position of benches, planting of flowers, and beautify the surroundings making it a family orientated area to visit. This is a popular event and other libraries in the area are participating as well. Jeannie would like the approval of the “Story Walk” and the operation of the outdoor Community Market to be added to the January Board Meeting Agenda. Library Board has approved extending the Library hours on Saturdays to 2:00pm. Friends of the Library purchased a carpet to be used in the children’s area and will continue the scholarship efforts for the youth they employ. Considering purchasing Wonder Books & Village Library signs to be installed. Currently there is no signs dictating Redgranite has a Library. Quarry signs are on the list to be purchased as well. Jim F states any signs that are to be placed on the highway have to be approved by the Dept of Transportation.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS –

Motion by Gary, second by Ellen to approve the application for an Operator’s License effective December 19, 2023 thru June 30, 2024 for Autumn Peterson/Condon Oil Shell. All in favor. Motion carried.

ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON THE NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA:

- a. Zoning/Building Inspector Consultant and Fee schedule.
- b. Update Zoning Appeal Board member list.
- c. Approval of the purchase of a new lawn mower.
- d. Set Commissions for the Zoning/Building Inspector Consultant.
- e. Approval of a Library “Story Walk” and the approval of the hours of a Community Market.

Motion by Ellen, second by Gary to adjourn. Meeting Adjourned at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Streck
Village Clerk

Next Regular Board Meeting – Monday, January 15, 2024.