

Shellie asked the Board to clarify language regarding paid time off for the Benefits section of the Village Employee Handbook. Following discussion, the Board asked Shellie to complete the Handbook for approval in its entirety by the Board at a future meeting. The Handbook will take effect as of January 1, 2012.

Hahn/Nawrocki moved that Shellie continue teaching the community exercise class at the Village Hall.
Motion carried.

Maintenance items at Memorial Park were considered. (1) The repairs needed to the steps at the west end of the park can be done by Village personnel. (2) Malmberg /Martin moved to install an additional electrical panel at the park pavilion at a cost of approx. \$1,000. **Motion carried.** (3) There are improvements needed to the park shoreline. Shellie was asked to get input from the Park Committee, and to investigate the possibility of obtaining a grant.

Administrator's Report:

Minutes of the Sauk Prairie School Board, Fire Commission, Ambulance Commission and Village Inspection Reports were distributed to Board members.

Shellie reported that the Gerry utility installation is complete except for the sewer hookup. The Selje lot has been leveled and seeded. Total cost of the Selje cleanup to date is \$26,795.11.

The annual water reports required by the DNR have been submitted. The DNR has instituted new water use fees.

Shellie was nominated to attend the Sauk County Leadership Institute. She would like to consider this opportunity at another time.

The Board directed that notices of non-compliance be issued to residents who put out excessive amounts of brush or items other than yard waste for brush pickup.

In connection with the Community Festival, Martin/Nawrocki moved to close Front and Grove Streets on August 6th for the Car Show. Martin/Rasmussen moved to close Darwin Drive on August 7th for the Soapbox Derby. **Both motions carried.**

There being no other matters to come before the Board, Martin/Rasmussen moved to adjourn. **Motion carried.** The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shellie Benish, Administrator

**COME TO THE
MERRIMAC
COMMUNITY
FESTIVAL
AUGUST 6TH & 7TH**

- FEATURING:**
CAR SHOW
ARTS & CRAFTS
CHICKEN BBQ
FOOD CARTS
LIVE MUSIC
BEER TENT IN THE PARK
TASTE OF LAKE WISC.
KICKBALL TOURNAMENT
SOAPBOX DERBY
BOAT PARADE
WINE & CHEESE TASTING

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VILLAGE REMINDERS

- **The next regular Village Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 9, 2011 at 6:00 PM.**
- **BRUSH PICK UP will be done on August 10th and 24th.**
- **THE BUS stops at the Village Hall every Wed. & Thurs. for transportation to Baraboo, Prairie du Sac and Sauk City. The regular fare is \$2 or \$1 for children under 18, students w/ID, adults over 60 and persons with disabilities. Stop by the Village office to pick up a schedule and route information.**

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Board Minutes From the Village Board Meeting

President Hahn called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building meeting room. All Board members were present. The affidavit of posting was examined and verified to conform to the proper statutory requirements.

Nawrocki/Martin moved to adopt the resolution for payment of water utility bills. (Copy of said resolution available upon request.) Upon roll call vote, **motion carried**

Martin/Malmberg moved to adopt the resolution for payment of the sewer utility bills. (Copy of said resolution available upon request.) Upon roll call vote, **motion carried**.

Nawrocki/Rasmussen moved to adopt the resolution for payment of general village and park bills. (Copy of said resolution available upon request.) Upon roll call vote, **motion carried**.

A correction was made to the June 7, 2011 Board minutes. The Aging and Disability Resource Center bus stops in Merrimac on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Cost of the regular fare is \$2. The cost is \$1 for persons over 60, students with ID and disabled residents.

Rasmussen/Martin moved to accept the minutes as corrected. **Motion carried.**

Martin/Malmberg moved to accept the Village Treasurer's Report for June. **Motion carried.**

Public input session. Sue Spencer, the owner of property at 121 River St. appeared to discuss light pollution from street lights near her home. She presented a request to the Board, signed by several residents, that the Village Board evaluate the option of installing diffusers/shielding to certain street lights. Current lights are "dark sky" with flathead diffusers, per DOT specifications. Shellie will contact the DOT for specifications and investigate diffusers.

The Board discussed the matter of changing water meters from the current type to new technology that can be read remotely. Martin/Malmberg moved to purchase 50 meters from our current supplier to have on hand while the Village decides how to proceed. Upon roll call vote, there were 3 ayes and 2 nays: **motion carried**. The Board asked Shellie to prepare an overview of information received from various vendors so far and for detailed costs, financing alternatives and timelines for installation.

Hahn/Martin moved to contribute \$500 to Merrimac Fire & Rescue for

2011 fireworks. Upon roll call vote, **motion carried.**

The Board reviewed the annual 2010 Compliance Maintenance Annual Report to the WI DNR. Based on this review, Hahn/Rasmussen moved to approve Resolution #11-02-0707, 2010 Compliance Maintenance Resolution for Wastewater Operations as written. **Motion carried.**

The Board considered the annual Sauk County Bridge Aid Petition. Because the Village of Merrimac does not have any bridges which qualify, Hahn/Nawrocki moved that the Village should not apply for the aid. **Motion carried.**

Shellie reviewed the request from Sauk County to approve the Supervisor District Plan for District #20, which does not include any changes that affect the Village. However, the Village is required to approve a resolution regarding the plan. Nawrocki/Rasmussen moved to approve Resolution #11-03-0707 as written. **Motion carried.**

Three candidates put their names forward for consideration to replace Don Genrich on the Planning and Zoning Commission: Tom Gallus, Kitty Midthun and Will Tank. Upon a vote by the Board members, Tom Gallus received a majority of the votes. Rasmussen/Nawrocki moved to accept Tom Gallus as the new member of the Commission. **Motion carried.**

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