

**VILLAGE VOICE**

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Shellie is working on getting the semi trailer the Village rented to store Seljes' belongings moved off site. If personal belongings are not removed by June, the Village can auction the items. Proceeds will go toward the Village's expenses. Any unrecovered expense of the cleanup will be a special charge on the Seljes' real estate taxes.

The easement for extension of Village water and sewer to the Dave Gerry property has been done. Bids for the work will be opened on February 18 at 11:00 a.m. The contract will be awarded at the March Village Board meeting. The estimated completion date is May 14, 2011.

The date for hearing residents' requests for exceptions to pet licensing regulations has yet to be determined but will be either the February or March Board meeting.

The developer of Pheasant Ridge has now met his payments due for 2010.

Shellie updated the Board on the new remote-read water meters purchased by the City of Baraboo. Shellie will get more information regarding the system Baraboo selected and why.

Shellie and Jeff will attend a Water Expo and Wastewater meeting on February 8, 2011, at the Kalahari Resort. The meeting is sponsored by the Wisconsin Rural Water Association.

At 7:19 p.m. Nawrocki/Bahe moved to convene to closed session pursuant to Wis. State Statute 19.85(1)(c) to consider employment, promotion, evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. **Motion carried.**

Bahe/Nawrocki moved to reconvene the meeting to open session at 7:45 p.m. **Motion carried.** No action was required by the Board on items from the closed session.

The Village would like to thank Lois Marx for placing the winter decorations in the planters around the Village.

There being no other matters to come before the Board, Nawrocki/Malmberg moved to adjourn. **Motion carried.** The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

Shellie Benish  
Administrator

**ANNUAL DOG AND  
CAT LICENSE  
RENEWALS  
ARE DUE BY JAN. 31<sup>ST</sup>**

***VILLAGE REMINDERS***

- The next Village Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 9, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.
- ALTERNATE SIDE PARKING IS NOW IN EFFECT THROUGH APRIL 15, 2011.
- There is no "on-street" parking allowed on any village street for longer than a 24-hour period. Vehicles found parked longer will be ticketed and towed. Village Ordinance: 144-2(b) (1).
- PLEASE NOTE!! WINTER YARD WASTE PICKUP SCHEDULE HAS BEEN CHANGED TO ONCE A MONTH: FEBRUARY 9<sup>TH</sup> AND MARCH 9<sup>TH</sup>.

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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.

The Board approved amendments to the agenda to hear two matters before the regular business of the meeting was conducted: (1) a presentation by Sid Malek from the Merrimac Community Charter School about the survey currently being conducted by the Sauk Prairie School District soliciting input from the community about changes to school programs in an effort to maximize resources and cut costs, and (2) presentations by Mid-States, McFarlanes, Statz and Fabco regarding replacement of the Village's tractor. A third amendment to the agenda was made to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2011 Village caucus.

President Hahn noted that, prior to making a decision regarding replacement of the Village's tractor, Shellie and Jeff should gather additional information to be presented to the Board. The information will be considered at a special Board meeting to be held on January 31<sup>st</sup> at 4:30 p.m.

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

Bahe/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**.

Rasmussen/Bahe 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**.

The following corrections were needed to prior Board meeting minutes: (1) December 15, 2010 - motion to adjourn the meeting was seconded by Bahe; (2) November 9, 2010 - the *October* Treasurer's report was approved. Malmberg/Nawrocki moved to accept the minutes of the December 15, 2010 Village Board meeting as corrected. **Motion carried**.

Caucus results: Nick Hahn will run unopposed for Village President. Garry Bahe, Jeff Rasmussen and Scott Martin are candidates for the expired terms of two trustees. Bahe noted that the Board should consider the concerns which were raised at the Caucus by Al Shanks regarding the representation of various parts of the Village on the Board. Shellie handed out information from the Wisconsin AG's office on electronic messaging.

Bahe/Nawrocki moved to accept the minutes of the January 8, 2011 Village Caucus. **Motion carried**.

Nawrocki/Bahe moved to accept the December Treasurer's report. **Motion carried**.

Public Input: None

Shellie reported that Gardiner Appraisal rescinded their request for a fee increase and removed from the 2011 contract the liability language to which the Board objected. Malmberg/Rasmussen moved to accept the contract as revised. Upon roll call vote, **motion carried**.

Nawrocki/Bahe moved to approve the 2011 Work Authorization with BT Squared for engineering services required by the Village. Upon roll call vote, **motion carried**.

Administrator's Report:

Minutes of the November 22, 2010 Sauk Prairie School Board meeting were distributed to the Board.

The dinner meeting of the Village Board and Sauk Prairie School District Board has been rescheduled to Monday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at the Village hall.

Repairs are in progress on the Lu Foster Lift Station #5. One pump has been replaced and a replacement for the second pump is on order. These pumps were in use long after the normal life expectancy of 10 years.