

VILLAGE OF BONDUEL  
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2021

Following the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence, President Russ Gehm called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Gehm read a statement regarding the posting of the meeting.

Present: Russ Gehm, Tim Kelley, Brenda Staszak, Kay Hottenstine, Renell Bartlett and Barb Wickman. Via Teleconference: Kay Zuleger.

AGENDA: Motion by Staszak, second by Kelley, to approve agenda as presented and to deviate from the order as necessary. Motion carried unanimously.

K2. Housing Study with SCEPI. Rankin has been working with Peter Thillman, Shawano County Economic Progress Inc. (SCEPI) to develop more residential housing in the Village. Thillman, shared that the County as a whole is behind on housing growth. Thillman has spoken to several housing developers, the County needs to do a housing study first to show proof of the housing need. SCEPI has set aside \$15,000 for a housing study and is working with several other municipalities to take part in the study. Motion by Bartlett, second by Wickman, to authorize the housing study with SCEPI and to use money from the undesignated fund. Motion carried unanimously.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CITIZENS AND OPEN FORUM: Robbie Woldt, Fire Chief; Jesse Rankin, Director of Municipal Operations; Eric Krause, Police Chief; Joe Dawidziak, Bonduel School District Administrator; Nate Burton, Bonduel School Board Representative; and Jerry Wendland, Coldwell Banker. Via teleconference: Peter Thillman, SCEPI; and Terry Hilgenberg, Coldwell Banker.

The School District of Bonduel will have a referendum on the ballot for the April 6, 2021 election. Dawidziak and Burton reviewed the referendum and needs of the school district. The bulk of the money would be for building and grounds updates and overall appearance. The referendum also includes the addition of a new gym. The referendum is asking tax payors for \$12.5 million, a mill rate of \$.16 per \$1,000.

K1. Closed Session. Motion by Kelley, second by Staszak, to move to closed session for approximately five minutes to discuss possible business development. Inviting Director of Municipal Operations, Jesse Rankin; Clerk, Michelle Maroszek; Coldwell Banker Brokers, Terry Hilgenberg and Jerry Wendland to attend. [Pursuant to Wis. State Statutes, Chapter 19, General Duties of Public Officials, subchapter V, 19.85 exemptions (1)(e) [Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.] Roll call vote was

taken. Motion carried unanimously. Board moved to closed session at 6:38 p.m. Bartlett excused herself from the closed session at 6:38 p.m.

Motion by Staszak, second by Hottenstine, to return to open session. Roll call vote was taken. Motion carried unanimously. Board returned to open session at 6:53 p.m. Bartlett returned to the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

K6. Operators' License Application Denial appeal. Shannon Lepinski explained her past contact with the law and asked the Board for a chance to obtain her Operators' License to work at the Lumberyard. Motion by Staszak, second by Kelley, to approve Lepinski's Operators' License with a signed conditional letter with the Village, having no negative police contact. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES: Motion by Kelley, second by Bartlett, to approve the minutes from the January 13 and January 17, 2021, Village Board meetings with noted correction. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS:

Public Safety Committee: Met on Monday, January 18, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. Next meeting will be on Monday, February 15 at 3:30 p.m.

*Zuleger left the meeting at 7:04 p.m.*

Police Department Report. Report on file. Police Department is continuing to watch properties for drug related activities. Krause attended a 3-day Police Chief conference in Wisconsin Dells. All permits for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event have been submitted to the State and County for road closures.

Fire Department Report. Report on file.

EMS Report. Report on file.

Administrative Committee. Next meeting will be on Monday, February 15 at 4:30 p.m.

Clerk/Treasurer Report. Report on File. Spring Primary election will be next Tuesday, February 16. Auditors have finished the review of documents and are working on the annual audit.

Municipal Operations Committee. Municipal Operations has one item that has moved to this agenda for approval.

Municipal Operations Department Report. Report on file. Cross connections for this year are completed. The street lights have been slowly transitioning to LEDs.

Library Board. Report on file.

Plan Commission. Minutes on file.

Fire Commission. Minutes on file.

K3. Sale of 1998 Chevrolet pick-up truck. Received two bids for the 1998 Chevrolet Pick-up Truck. One offer of \$400 from Ben Pleshko and another for \$500 from Matt Bunker. Motion by Wickman, second by Bartlett, award the sale of the 1998 Chevrolet Pick-up to Matt Bunker in the sum of \$500.00, to be paid in cash or by certified bank check. Motion carried unanimously.

*Kelley left the meeting at 7:30 p.m.*

K4. Resolution to transfer unspent 2020 General Fund dollars to the 2021 General Fund Budget.

Wickman stated that the Police Department could not carry over the money needed from the account number listed on the resolution. The account number listed had overspent the 2020 budget amount and there were no funds left in that line item. The Police Department would need to find another account that had funds remaining to carry over. Maroszek and Krause will review the accounts to determine which account can be used for the carry over. Motion by Staszak, second by Bartlett, to introduce Resolution 2021-02, authorizing the transfer of unspent 2020 General Fund dollars to the 2021 General Fund budget for said projects, having Maroszek and Krause determine correct account for PD carry over. Roll call vote was taken. Motion carried unanimously.

K5. 2022-2025 TID interfund loan repayment schedule. The TID interfund loan still owes approximately \$636,980 to the sewer fund. The Village extended the TID an additional three years to pay off the sewer fund. Ehlers has provided a debt repayment schedule for 2022-2025, based on the Village's other debt. Motion by Wickman, second by Bartlett, to adopt the payment schedule for the TID interfund loan as presented by Ehlers for 2022-2025. Motion carried unanimously.

M. Approval of Payments. Motion by Wickman, second by Staszak, to approve the monthly payments for February 2021, with the additional noted invoices. Motion carried unanimously.

N. Treasurer's Report. Motion by Wickman, second by Bartlett, to approve the January Treasurer's report. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Staszak, second by Hottenstine, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Michelle Maroszek, Clerk/Treasurer