

**Regular Village Board Meeting
Village of Almena
June 12, 2018 • 7:00 PM**

President Rayment called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: President Rayment; Trustees: Mausolf, Hellmann, Bohn, Roff, Jensen, Kathy Rockow. Also present: Guests: Steve & Bev Vanderwyst; Don & Linda Thuftin; Roxie Baker; James Avery with A-1 Septic Service; Public Works Riebe; Clerk-Treasurer Story; Chief of Police Al Gabe; and three citizens.

Approve Minutes: Motion: Hellmann/Jensen to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2018 Regular Board Meeting. All aye. None opposed. Carried.

Approve Agenda: Motion: Bohn/Hellmann to approve the agenda of the June 12, 2018 Regular Board Meeting. All aye. None opposed. Carried.

Public Comments: **1)** Roxie Baker discussed a water pressure and water line issue at her residence/business. Public Works will review. Roxie also indicated that a dog charged at an ATV in front of her business. **2)** President Rayment started an Open Meeting for the public to come and talk about any concerns, suggestions, or with questions for the village. During his first meeting a few citizens reported on lights being left on at the ballfield at Shadyside Park, landlords need to inform their tenants of information, dog feces being left by homeowners, playground equipment at the park, sidewalks being plowed on Soo Ave, and a storm shelter for Almena. The clerk was asked to send out letters to the landlords with a reminder to inform their tenants of information about the village. **4)** No further public comments were made.

Engineer, SEH, Mike Van Gilder: General Report: The wastewater report is on schedule. **Zoning:** The zoning map was discussed. Several properties fall in different zones on the map. After discussion, it was decided any non-conforming permits will be resolved by the Plan Commission on an as-needed basis.

Police Report, Chief of Police Al Gabe: General Report: Gabe reported a busy month with domestic issues, drug situations, two house fires, junk car citations, and an officer resigning.

Public Works Report, Jason Riebe: General: **1)** Spring clean-up in May was very busy. In total 75 appliances, 50 TV's, scrap metal, and two full dumpsters of trash were disposed of. The board may consider a fee next spring due to increased costs and the amount of trash that was deposited. **2)** Lulu Ave blacktop patch is

complete as well as the Lulu Ave sidewalk. **3)** A big thank you goes out to the Men's Slo-Pitch Team for donating new bases at the ballfield. **4)** Discussion on the aluminum cans trailer and dumpster: it was decided to bring the trailer down to the Hall. The trailered aluminum cans get taken to scrap with the proceeds going towards the park. **5)** The park clean-up continues with stump removal and finishing work. **6)** Riebe will attend a Small System Water Operator Training opportunity in Lake Hallie on October 2, 2018.

Clerk-Treasurer Report: **1)** Approve bills as submitted Check #50211-50239 totaling \$16,494.34 thru May 31, 2018. Motion: Jensen/Roff for approval of bills as submitted. Carried. **2)** Village correspondence was reviewed. **3)** Building permits issued and non-compliant permits requested was reviewed. **4)** The 2017 Cattail Trailhead grant has been processed by the DNR. **5)** Hall tables were ordered and received. **6)** The Workers Comp audit from 2017 is complete and the village received \$687.00 back. A credit from insurance was received in the amount of \$562.00. **7)** Monarch Paving Inv.#5500042759 \$16,471.81 and Inv.#5500042763 \$6,536.20 were approved by motion: Hellmann/Roff. Zimmerman Concrete Inv.#1033 \$7,690.00 were approved by motion: Bohn/Rockow. **8)** The Fall Partisan election is August 14th. **9)** Joint Review Board is scheduled for June 19th at 4:30 p.m.

Unfinished Business: **1)** The Vanderwyst agreement that was drafted for a driveway request on village property was reviewed. The Vanderwysts question item #7 of the agreement. The board explained that the village cannot pay the fee to benefit the Vanderwyst due to fairness to other citizens. Request from the Board to Vanderwyst to pay \$457.00 to the Village. **2)** Ord. 2018-5 Seasonal adjustment for sewer utility was reviewed. It was moved to adopt an ordinance in the May board mtg; however, upon learning more information the board moved to reject the seasonal adjustment. Motion: Jensen/Roff to deny/reject Ord. 2018-5 Seasonal Adjustment to Sewer Utility. All aye. None opposed. Denied.

New Business: **1)** Resolution 2018-7 CMAR (Compliance Maintenance Annual Resolution) The annual public works report was reviewed. The report will be filed with the Department of Natural Resources. Motion Rockow/Hellmann to approve Resolution 2018-7. All aye. None opposed. Carried. **2)** Ordinance 2018-6 Traffic Code: LSV-ATV-UTV-Golf Cart Regulation. After

discussion, it was determined to remove Golf Carts from the ordinance. The Board moved to allow LSV (low-speed-vehicles), ATV's and UTV's to operate on village streets and to repeal the current ATV/UTV routes. The clerk will post a summary. The full ordinance is available at the Hall for review. Motion: Bohn/Roff to approve Ord. 2018-6 Traffic Code: LSV-ATV-UTV Regulation with modifications as discussed. All aye. None opposed. Carried. **3)** Resolution 2018-8 James Avery d/b/a A-1 Septic Service 2018 contract was reviewed. Motion: Mausolf/Hellmann to approve the 2018 contract at \$28.00 per truckload, a maximum of 4,000 gallons per week therefore keeping the remaining contractual items. All aye. None opposed. Carried. **4)** Thuftin request to purchase land from the village was discussed. Discussion of water line splitting the properties, property usage, apple trees, and fencing. The village is not wanting to sell at this time. Motion: Mausaulf/Bohn to deny purchase of 15-feet of park property from parcel #101-8042-67-000. All aye. None opposed. Denied. **5)** A previous request for a community garden was discussed in May's meeting, but since, a location by the Hall was suggested which was discussed. Motion: Hellmann/Jensen to approve a 20x20 community garden west of the Village Hall. The clerk or public works will contact Diggers Hotline prior to any digging. Interested citizens should see the clerk. **6)** Fireworks was put on the agenda from a request if the village wanted to sponsor Al's Fireworks show at Shadyside Park. After discussion, the Board declined to participate. No action. **7)** Annual license renewals were reviewed. Applicants were visited by Barron County's Compliance Checks for Refuse to Sell in March 2018 and thereby passed. No changes in license fees for Class "A" Beer, "Class A" Liquor or Class "B" Beer or "Class B" Liquor for the 2018-2019 season.

Class "A" FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGES:

Almena Meat Company,
Motion: Rockow/Jensen approve license;
Synergy Community Cooperative,
Motion: Roff/Hellmann approve license.

"CLASS A" INTOXICATING LIQUOR:

Almena Meat Company,
Motion: Rockow/Jensen approve license;

CLASS "B" FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGES AND
"CLASS B" INTOXICATING LIQUOR

Nancy Bellevue d/b/a Cheers Bar,
Motion: Bohn/Hellmann approve license;
Roxie's, Inc.,

Motion: Mausolf/Bohn approve license;
VFW Post 8512;

Motion: Jensen/Roff approve license;

CIGARETTE LICENSE:

Synergy Community Cooperative,
Motion: Hellmann/Mausolf approve license.
All aye. None opposed. Carried.

TEMPORARY EXTENSION REQUEST:

Roxie's, Inc., Motion: Rockow/Jensen to approve a Temporary Extension Request for two events:
Lower Turtle Lake Poker Run Dinner & Cards: July 21-22, 2018 5:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. and the Testicle Festival: September 8-9, 2018 Noon to 2:00 a.m. All aye. None opposed. Carried.

Open Sales, Display, & Storage License Permits

annual renewals. Motion: Roff/Hellmann to approve the open sales applicants. All aye. None opposed. Carried.

Annual Operator License Renewals:

Synergy: (11); Almena Meat Co.: (5); Roxie's, Inc. (0); Cheers Bar (2); VFW Post 8512: (6). All licenses were reviewed and approved by Turtle Lake Police Department. Motion: Bohn/Hellmann to approve annual operator licenses at large. All aye. None opposed. Carried.

8) The annual Flea Market Permit Renewal for Stampede of Treasures was not received. No action. **9)** Municipal Ordinance Code Book quotes were received. The Clerk obtained three quotes at the request of the Village President. This will be tabled until Budget this fall. No action. **10)** Citizens using RV's as housing was discussed. Motion: Bohn/Mausolf to send to the Plan Commission to possibly modify zoning. **11)** Water/Sewer repeat offenders for disconnects was discussed. The Clerk and Public Works will continue their current responsibilities. No action. **12)** An Organizational Meeting was discussed. It was moved to meet at a later date as the summer months are busy for everyone at this time. No action. **13)** Impact Seven TID monies were reviewed. At this point waiting on the auditor who should have the breakdown of TID monies per parcels. No action.

Adjourn: No further business came before the Board. Motion: Jensen/Rockow to adjourn. All aye, none opposed. Carried.

Ardith Story,
Village Clerk-Treasurer