

VILLAGE OF TWIN LAKES COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

December 5, 2022 – 6:30 p.m.

Village Hall, 105 E. Main Street, Twin Lakes, WI

CALL TO ORDER BY TRUSTEE KAROW AT 6:30 PM/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL:

Present: Trustees Aaron Karow, Sharon Bower, Kevin Fitzgerald, Bill Kaskin, Ken Perl. Absent: President Howard Skinner, Trustee Barb Andres. Also Present: Administrator Laura Roesslein, Clerk Sabrina Waswo, Village Engineer Greg Droessler.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS. None.

PRESIDENT AND TRUSTEE REPORTS

TRUSTEE SHARON BOWER - ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE, JUDICIARY, LICENSING

Village Hall will be closed for the Holidays on December 23, December 26, December 30, and January 2.

Tax bills are expected to be mailed out this week. Taxpayers are encouraged to mail their payments, use the Village drop box, the Village website (www.twinlakeswi.net) or phone option for credit cards.

The last day to drop off payments at Village Hall in 2022 is December 29 due to the holiday. Payments deposited in the Village Hall drop box over the New Year's holiday should bear a note indicating in which calendar year the payment should be receipted – 2022 or 2023.

Nomination papers for the Spring Election (Village President & Trustees) are available at the Village Hall during office hours. Nomination papers for Municipal Judge are available at the Kenosha County Clerk's office. Papers must be returned by 5:00 pm on January 3, 2023.

Other – Trustee Bower would like a larger flag on the flag pole. Trustee Kaskin feels we should wait till spring.

TRUSTEE KEVIN FITZGERALD - STREETS & ROADS, EQUIPMENT, STREET LIGHTS, WEEDS, LAKE PLANNING AND PROTECTION

Discussion regarding Lake Elizabeth Marina slip rental fees.

Administrator Roesslein recommended keeping slips 1 through 30 at the current price of \$1,250 and increasing slips 31 through 40 to \$1,500. Area fees range from \$1,100 to \$2,000. This increase keeps us in the middle. If slips 1 and 2 are not rented out, they are offered at a discounted rate of \$500 each. The advantage is they get on the list for renting out other slips. Rental fees were last increased in 2017 or 2018. The Village is lower than Powers Lake and Lake Geneva, but did not feel this was a fair comparison.

Bill Poetker, 1607 Lakeshore Dr., asked if any of the comparisons include shore stations. Roesslein stated that information was not obtained. Trustee Fitzgerald commented that Wild Childs is a close comparison. They tend to be \$200 less and they do not provide boat lifts. Bill felt we were on the cheaper end.

TRUSTEE BILL KASKIN - CEMETERY, SANITATION, RECYCLING, SENIORS

Discussion regarding Mound Prairie Cemetery grave prices.

Trustee Kaskin and Bower do not want to raise fees. Kaskin believes 75% of the burials are residents. However, Roesslein noted there have been an increase of plots being purchased by non-residents. The Cemetery revenues and expenses are part of the General Fund and come out of the Public Works budget. Current resident prices are \$400 for a plot and \$100 for a cremation plot; non-residents are \$600 for a plot and \$200 for a cremation plot. There is no layout fee. Prices were last increased about 7 years ago. At the budget meeting it was discussed to not put any further money into the building and possibly tear it down.

Trustee Karow noted we recently repaved at Mound Prairie. Public Works does all the mowing and maintenance for the Cemetery. As costs continue to increase, he feels it's better to raise prices incrementally. Trustee Fitzgerald assumed we would raise it a bit, otherwise we run into the same situation as the Sewer Department of not raising for years and then it becomes a problem; noting the non-resident price should increase. Consensus was to raise the non-resident plot to \$700.

TRUSTEE BARB ANDRES - SEWER, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT, YOUTH, LIBRARY

Discussion regarding Ordinance 2022-12-1 Amending Section 13.04.230 Pertaining to Sewer Service Charges. The ordinance increases the per quarter per unit cost by \$5.00, which is a requirement of our loan with the state for the waste water treatment plant upgrade.

Discussion regarding Change Order #2 for the WWTF Upgrade.

Greg Droessler provided an update on the project. With change order #2 we have \$8,000 of additional costs and about \$262,480 of decreases in project costs. We have used \$2,500 of supplemental bid items that were anticipated for the bad soil. This change order would remove the supplemental items from the contract and true it up with the contractor. There is currently a total decrease of \$174,195.

Droessler stated the contractor has asked for a 10-week extension of the substantial completion date, which would put us at March 3, 2023 with a final completion of May 31. This is not unreasonable due supply chain delays and scheduling issues with the utility company. He asked the company provide a formal letter requesting the extension. Demolition on lift station #6 will be tomorrow, with lift station #8 following. These 2 items make up the majority of the extension. Droessler said he is less than 60% of his contract and another 10 weeks will not put him over. Trustee Karow agreed that we should not rush the project.

Adjourn – Karow/Bower motion to adjourn at 7:10 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

/s/Sabrina Waswo, Village Clerk