

VILLAGE VOICE

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Minutes of the Village Board Meeting of Oct. 8, 2019

The Village Board meeting was called to order by Village President Phil Budde at 6:00 p.m. Board members present were Phil Budde, Garry Bahe, Jeff Rasmussen and George Naxera. Jim Malmberg had an excused absence. Bob Geenen, Village Administrator-Clerk-Treasurer, was also present.

President Budde examined the affidavit of posting and verified that advance public notice of the meeting conformed to statutory requirements.

Public Input: None

Rasmussen/Bahe moved to approve payment of the bills as listed on the Agenda and In Progress Checks report along with the prepaid expenses as listed on the Reprint Check Register. Upon roll call vote, all ayes, **motion carried.**

The Board reviewed the monthly financial reports (Balance Sheets & Budget Comparison by fund account) for the individual Water, Sewer, and General Funds for the month of September, 2019. Naxera/Bahe moved to accept the reports as presented. **Motion carried.**

Village President Budde presented documentation of year over year by amount and percentage salary

change for 2017 – 2019 and 2020 projected salaries and benefits. Geenen provided Position Salary recap 2017-2019 & proposed 2020 worksheet. After discussion the trustees consensus was to lower 2.25% COLA to 2.0%, maintain the health stipend for fulltime staff and removing the mid-year step increases of 0.40-0.46 per hour. Rasmussen/Bahe moved to table discussion of direct changes on the Budget Salary and Benefits worksheet for Fiscal Year 2020 until next week. **Motion carried.**

Naxera/Bahe moved to approve the Minutes from the September 10, 2019 Village Board meeting with the correction to show that Trustee Jeff Rasmussen was also in attendance. **Motion carried.**

Rasmussen/Bahe moved to approve submittal of the Election Security SubGrant Application for Computer, IT Support and training sponsored by Sauk County. The training is offered to Municipal Clerks in preparation for the 2020 General Election. The maximum grant amount is \$1,100 for computer/IT support and \$100 for clerk training. **Motion carried.**

Bahe/Rasmussen moved to accept the application of Megan Kirchstein for an Operator's License to work at Mac's Pub & Grub. **Motion carried.**

Administrator's Report: Bob provided to the Board members copies of the materials as listed on the agenda. Some discussion ensued

on the expansion of the MCCA for potential layout for community use of a separate community fitness area, library, and gymnasium in the evenings and weekends. Park & Recreational fees would be assessed for employees but volunteers could be a possibility.

Water & Sewer Operations: Wisconsin Rural Water Association (WRWA) will be lending the valve turning tool used to exercise water valves after the mid of the month for about a week. As a member of the WRWA the tool lending program has no cost.

Pending Planning & Zoning Items: Bob noted a potential meeting in the next week on the proposed marina project with the Olsen's.

Naxera/Bahe moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 PM. **Motion Carried.**

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Budget discussion ensued. Budde /Bahe move to eliminate the replacement of the 1998 utility truck. **Motion Carried.**

Rasmussen, Budde, & staff to discuss capital purchase plan.

Bahe/Naxera moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 PM **Motion Carried.**

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REGULAR OFFICE HOURS: Monday—Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert R. Geenen
Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer

Memorial Park and Ball Park

Please note: the bathrooms at both parks are now closed for the winter season effective Friday, November 1, 2019.

Bathrooms will be re-opened for the season by May 1, 2020.

Burning leaves is prohibited within the Village.

Fitness Program for Seniors

Please come join us for a fun exercise program designed to help you achieve and maintain a healthier fitness level. Our program is jointly sponsored by the Village of Merrimac and the Township of Merrimac. The program cost is only \$10 per person for the season.

Classes started Monday, October 21, and run through April 24, 2020.

Anyone 50 years of age or older can attend and you don't have to attend every session.

When: 9:30-10 am

Monday, Wednesday & Friday

Where: All sessions are held at the Merrimac Village Hall, 100 Cook St.

Instructor: Deb Raschka

Upcoming Meetings

Tuesday, Nov. 12 at 6:00 PM

Budget Hearing

Village Board Meeting
(Immediately follows hearing)

Tuesday, Dec. 10 at 6:00 PM

Village Board Meeting

100 Cook Street Village Hall

Upcoming ADRC

Wednesday, Dec. 11 at 10 AM



Pam Fuchs,
Baraboo/Sauk County
100 Cook Street Village Hall

Brush Pick-Up Dates are Wed. November 13 & 27

Merrimac Community Charter School Project – complete the SPSD survey by November 4th.

MERRIMAC PROJECT - Presented in the survey



- 1. Renovate existing classroom to become new main office with secure entrance
- 2. New, enhanced main entrance
- 3. New, larger Kitchen
- 4. Addition for (4) new classrooms including Art, Music, 4K, and Title 1 (with ability to split into two separate rooms)
- 5. New two-station Gymnasium
- 6. New Office and community Fitness Area
- 7. New restrooms
- 8. Community entrance
- 9. New, relocated parking lot to allow room for addition
- 10. Drive for Receiving to new Kitchen

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