

Village of Plain

Village Board Proceedings of June 9, 2021

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Plain was held at the Municipal Office Building, located at 510 Main Street, on June 9, 2021. The meeting was called to order by Village President Ray Ring at 7:05 p.m.

The following members were present: Village President Ray Ring; Brian Brey; Melissa Marx; Merry Lynn Riek; Steve Whitford; and, Kelly Yanke, Trustees. Trustee Tracey Brent was absent.

Others present: Stef Morrill, River Valley Commons; Ashley Busse; Kristina Laack; Chief Mike Stoddard; and, John Ruhland, Public Works Director.

Notice of this meeting, along with the agenda, was posted at the following locations in the Village of Plain: Plain Municipal Office Building; Plain Post Office; and the Kraemer Library & Community Center on Monday, June 7, 2021. Notice was emailed to the *Home News*; *Valley Sentinel*; and, the *Baraboo News Republic*.

Riek motioned to approve minutes from the May 12, 2021 Regular Board Meeting. Marx seconded. Motion carried.

Guest

Stef Morrill of River Valley Commons addressed the board. The new nonprofit organization is about increasing the wellbeing of the River Valley area and the people that live in it and maximizing resources of the community to help it grow. They are interested in bringing as much broadband to the area as possible as fast as they can. They met with LightSpeed who won the contract to serve the area, but they have seven years to complete the project. That is not soon enough. They will be working on that. Their website is www.rivervalleycommons.org. They have a board of nine members. Emily Benz represents the Plain area. They connect people who want to help to people that need help.

Committee Reports

Streets & Utilities – Steve Whitford

The Nachreiner Avenue Project going well. The curb & gutter is in. They are starting to shape banks that will not be as steep. At the end of the week, they will be doing driveways and the sidewalk. It is on schedule. They had to repair a gas line that took a day to repair. The other two streets will be done in about two months. The state is going to do an overcoat of Highway 23 and B. The parking areas will be part of the project at our expense. This will happen at the end of June. The Streets Committee will be meeting to discuss.

The utilities were started in the new subdivision. They are a little behind. The sanitary sewer was torn up on golf course. At the planning meeting it was discussed that they will restore it back to its original condition. Ruhland gave a Wastewater Treatment Plant tour tonight. The numbers are improving. They are looking into finding someone to do fencing around the water reservoir.

Pool & Ordinance – Melissa Marx

The pool had a great opening weekend. They have had 348 the first five days with 29 pool passes sold. Water aerobics began on Monday. It will be Monday-Thursday all summer, 5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. Some of the lifeguards painted sea creatures on the wall that look great. They are getting new chairs by July. Lisa is thankful to all the work John and Josh did to get the pool ready. She painted the edge bright blue. Next year they are considering repainting the lines on the bottom of the pool. Ice creams sales are going great.

The Ordinance Committee will call a meeting to discuss ongoing parking issues on Cherry Street.

Parks & Fire Emergency District – Merry Lynn Riek

The Parks Committee hosted a wonderful dedication for the playground on Sunday. There were about 30 people in attendance. There was a beautiful cake that was created by Tammy Brandt from Sissy's Café in Loganville. Riek thanked donors and the dedicated Village of Plain staff. She also thanked the contribution of the two benches on the playground. Riek took the leftover cake to the kids at the pool. Riek suggested the board visit the pool next month before the board meeting. The Parks Committee voted against having a farmer's market at the pavilion since there is already a designated area on Highway 23. Marissa is setting up a garden for the Rec Program.

The Fire Board met to interview for the EMS Chief. They offered the position to Tracey Brent and she accepted. Kay Feiner will stay on as an EMT, but has stepped down from the Chief's position. The next regular meeting will be on July 12th.

Finance & Golf Course – Brian Brey

No Finance Committee report.

The Golf Course Committee met last week. Some seeding is done. There is more to do. Work is being done on tee boxes. Nick will investigate new trees to be planted in the new area. There about 40 trees that need to be removed on the entire course. Some will be replaced. They discussed a fall project to use the funds raised from the Chicken BBQ. They need to discuss with the Men's League as to what project they want to do. The course needs to purchase a new fairway pull behind mower. It may cost about \$33,000. They need to bring it to the Finance Committee to discuss. The Golf Course Committee approved the advertising in the holes and on the flags. It would be open to any business. They also discussed a yearly golf cart fee, but it was tabled. The course gained acreage with the changes from the new subdivision.

Library & RV Court – Kelly Yanke

Yanke reported that Library Board met on May 24th. There were 806 visitors for the month at that time. They had 1,442 check-outs in May. They renewed the mask mandate through June. They are looking into an online summer program. They are considering an outdoor story time. The pavilion is booked on June 17th for Zoozort. They purchased two new couches and oversized chair for the children's room. They purchased benches for in front of the library. The board officers for the next year are: Gwen Kraemer, President; Linda Paulus, Vice President; Becky Ellis, Secretary; and, Mary C. Brey, Treasurer.

No RV Court report.

Police – Tracey Brent

No Police Committee report.

Development/Planning – Ray Ring

The Development & Planning Commission met on Monday to discuss the New Business Grant Incentive documents.

Public Works Department Report

John Ruhland reported that Public Works is having a typical year with street work and other projects. They are correcting water and sewer maps. Ruhland has been involved with the new subdivision as well. Nachreiner Avenue has some main location issues as well. The guys are busy with mowing, flushing sewer lines and pool preparation. Next week they will start taking trees down on the golf course and get the volleyball court ready.

Water May-21

Pumpage for Well No. 1	1,069,000	gallons		
Pumpage for Well No. 2	<u>1,870,000</u>	gallons		
Total Pumpage for Month	2,939,000	gallons		
Total Pumpage for the Month Last Year	2,294,000	gallons		
	This is	645,000	gallons	more than last year.
Monthly fluoride average	0.63	ppm		
Monthly chlorine average	0.22	ppm		

Two bacti samples were sent to the State Lab. Both samples tested safe.

Wastewater May-21

Influent Monthly Average B.O.D.	220	mg/l		
Effluent Monthly Average B.O.D.	11	mg/l	Limit: 15 mg/l	
Influent Monthly Average T.S.S.	226	mg/l		
Effluent Monthly Average T.S.S.	36	mg/l	Limit: 20 mg/l	
Monthly Average Nitrogen Ammonia	0.280	mg/l		
Limit: 4.3 mg/l Monthly: October-April				
8.0 mg/l Monthly: May-September				
20.0 mg/l Daily				
Monthly Average Total Phosphorous	2.414	mg/l	Limit: 1.2 mg/l	
Total Gallons Treated	2,412,000	gallons		

Still dealing with high TSS and Phosphorus due to the fine tuning of the new headworks.

Police Department Report

Chief Stoddard informed the board that the Police Department hired retired Sauk County Officer Eric Miller. Spring Green hired another full-time officer. Stoddard is looking into a new court attorney.

Clerk/Treasurer Report

Carver announced that Ederer's once again donated their garage sale fees to the park in the amount of \$90. A big thank you to them. The Operator's Licenses that will be issued for July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 was given to the Board. The Wisconsin Department of Revenue recently added the online filing for the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds request. Carver has completed the filing.

Other Business

Marx motioned to adopt Resolution #2021-03: A Resolution asking the State of Wisconsin for a Controlled Intersection and Speed Limit Reduction on State Road 23. Yanke seconded. Motion carried.

Marx motioned to adopt Resolution #2021-04: Compliance Maintenance Annual Report. Riek seconded. Motion carried.

Marx motioned to approve applications for Liquor Licenses in the Village for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. Yanke seconded. Motion carried.

Class "B" Fermented Malt Beverages and "Class B" Intoxicating Liquor

- American Legion Post # 398: Brian Pulvermacher, Agent
- Emil P. Diehl, dba I-Diehl Tap
- Allen Ring, dba Ring's Bar
- Leroy Gruber, dba Sam's Place

Combination Class "A" Beer and "Class A" Intoxicating Liquor

- Plain One Stop: Shankar Kharel, Agent

"Class A" Intoxicating Liquor

- Country Crossroads Floral and Gifts, LLC: Carrie Walsh, Agent

Class "A" Fermented Malt Beverages

- Plain Kwik Stop, Inc.: Tiffany Faber, Agent

Marx motioned to move agenda items number 14 and 15 to now. Riek second. Motion carried.

Ashley Busse addressed the board regarding planning for a parade on July 25, 2021 and also having a street dance on Alma Avenue either on Friday, July 23rd or Saturday, July 25th. The parade would be the same route as what the 3-Day used. The street dance on Alma Avenue would be barricaded and wrist bands sold. Different color wristbands would go to minors. Marx motioned to approve the parade for July 25, 2021 as well as a street dance for July 23rd or 24th in which Alma Avenue will be closed and alcohol allowed within the barricaded area. Whitford seconded. Motion carried.

Ring presented and explained the New Business Incentive Grant Program Application and Agreement as well as the Program Manuel. The Development & Planning Commission thoroughly reviewed the documents. Marx motioned to approve the New Business Incentive Grant Program Application & Agreement and the Program Manuel with the authorization signatures to be updated. Whitford seconded. Motion carried.

Whitford motioned to approve Pay Application No. 1 for Gerke Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$144,712.18 for the Nachreiner Avenue Reconstruction Project. Marx seconded. Motion carried.

Correspondence

No correspondence.

Review and Audit of Invoices:

Riek motioned to pay the bills as presented. Yanke seconded. Motion carried.

General Fund	\$197,076.39	Water Utility	\$9,772.46
Library Fund	\$2,250.05	Sewer Department	\$6,548.65
Capital Improvements	\$47,194.17	Golf Course	\$2,964.65
TIF District	\$578.76		

Wage Reimbursements: \$20,794.63

Riek motioned to adjourn at 8:39 p.m. Marx seconded. Motion carried.

Sheila Carver,
Clerk/Treasurer