

VILLAGE OF DORCHESTER FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday, December 4, 2024 6:30 pm
Municipal Building, 250 Parkside Drive, Dorchester WI

Minutes:

1. Meeting was called to order by Trustee Lageman at 6:30pm.
2. Present were Trustee Lageman, Trustee Carter and Trustee Ballerstein. Also present was Clerk/Treasurer Christie Erikson.
3. Motion was made by Trustee Ballerstein, seconded by Trustee Carter to approve financial activity for November, 2024. Motion carried 3-0.
4. Motion was made by Trustee Carter, seconded by Trustee Ballerstein to adjourn. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting was adjourned at 6:39pm.

VILLAGE OF DORCHESTER BOARD MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, December 4, 2024 7:00 pm
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Minutes:

1. Meeting was called to order by President Schwoch at 7:01pm.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was said.
3. Present were President Schwoch, Trustee Ballerstein, Trustee Carter, Trustee Klemetson, Trustee Lageman, Trustee Klimpke and Trustee Goldschmidt. Also present were Clerk/Treasurer Christie Erikson, Public Works Supervisor Clint Penney, Water/Sewer Manager Rick Golz, Jenny Hinker, Daniella Schauer and Nathaniel Underwood – TP Printing.
4. Public Input – Jenny Hinker gave a definition of slander. Jenny also asked the board what they would like to see for the Memorial Hall. Trustee Goldschmidt commented that she forgot to add something to the agenda that Jenny had requested. Trustee Goldschmidt also questioned the lead and copper letter and mentioned that she didn't appreciate the lack of response back from them.
5. Motion was made by Trustee Lageman, seconded by Trustee Goldschmidt to approve minutes of the November 6, 2024 Board Meeting. Motion carried 7-0.
6. Motion was made by Trustee Klimpke, seconded by Trustee Lageman to approve minutes of the November 6, 2024 Public Hearing for the 2025 Budget. Motion carried 7-0.
7. Motion was made by Trustee Klimpke, seconded by Trustee Lageman to approve November, 2024 Audit Report, and receive December, 2024 Audit Report from Deputy Clerk-Treasurer. Motion carried 7-0.
8. Water/Sewer manager Rick Golz mention about the lead and copper letters. Golz stated that when the water meters were replaced years ago that most of the lines were not made of lead or copper. But everyone received a letter. Golz also reported that both the water and sewer plants are working great.
9. Public Works Supervisor Clint Penney reported that they are getting ready for the snow, need to change the blades yet and parking issues are getting better.

10. Clerk's Office monthly update – Garbage pick-up will be on Mondays starting 2025 and we need to fill out the application for the state funding.
11. Library update – In July, Sue will be retiring. Josey Lueth, current part-time help doesn't want the full time position unless they change the hours. They are in the process to hire a full time librarian. The grab bars in the restrooms were powdered coated by Eric Klemetson and the remodel is now completed. Library will be closed for Christmas and Christmas Eve.
12. Memorial Hall update – November was full, busier than normal. November rentals were \$1,195.00 and bowling income was \$1,586.50. In December – pickle ball, cornhole, bingo, church youth. New bowling helper, Evan has received lots of compliments. The lanes are running smooth. Special Olympics done with bowling. Light was fixed. Last Bingo night there was around 65 people.
13. Zoning: NONE.
14. Clark County Sheriff's Department update – none.
15. Motion was made by Trustee Klemetson, seconded by Trustee Klimpke to approve the usage of tickets for ordinance violators. Motion carried 7-0.
16. Motion was made to charge \$150 per acre by the East Industrial park and \$120 per acre for the land on the West side of Dorchester with a 5 year contract that includes a cause if someone buys the land the contract is voided. Motion carried 7-0.
17. Motion was made by Trustee Klimpke, seconded by Trustee Klemetson to approve the Schedule of Fees. Motion carried 7-0.
18. Motion was made by Trustee Lageman, seconded by Trustee klimpke to allow Jenny Hinker free rental for October 18, 2025 Red Higgins event. Motion carried 7-0.
19. Motion was made by Trustee Lageman, seconded by Trustee Goldschmidt to TABLE the Waste Management overage and contamination charges at the Memorial Hall. Motion carried 7-0.
20. Motion was made by Trustee Klimpke, seconded by Trustee Carter to approve a Temporary Class "B" Retailer's license to the Midnight Riders for January 25, 2025 and February 22, 2025. Motion carried 7-0.
21. Motion was made by Trustee Goldschmidt, seconded by Trustee Lageman to approve Temporary Operator's license to following for January 25, 2025 and February 22, 2025 to the following:
 - a. Gary Decker
 - b. Deborah Olson
 - c. Elizabeth Birr
 - d. Bill LudwigMotion carried 7-0.
22. Motion was made by Trustee Lageman, seconded by Trustee Klimpke to approve transferring money into Future Expenditures account from Sewer/Water Utilities. Motion carried 7-0.
23. Motion was made by Trustee Carter, seconded by Trustee Lageman to approve transferring money into Future Expenditures account from General Fund. Motion carried 7-0.
24. Motion was made by Trustee Klimpke, seconded by Trustee Carter to set January 8, 2025 at 7:00pm for the 2025 Caucus. Motion carried 7-0.

25. Motion was made by Trustee Klimpke, seconded by Trustee Lageman to appoint the following for Election Inspectors and Voter Registration Deputies for 2025.
- a. Election Inspectors: Linda Baumann, Kate Reynolds, Diane Kussrow, Kathy Schwoch, Rick Zoellick and Pam Yessa
 - b. Voter Registration Deputies: Jenny Reynolds and Christie Erikson

Motion carried 7-0.

26. **Closed Session (per Section 19.85 (1) (C)) Wisc. Stats.** Considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; **specifically to discuss wages & benefits for 2025 for all employees.**
27. Motion was made by Trustee Klimpke, seconded by Trustee Lageman to invite non-committee members, Christie Erikson, Clint Penney and Rick Golz, whose presence are necessary for the business at hand during the Closed Session. Motion carried 7-0.
28. Motion was made by Trustee Klimpke, seconded by Trustee Lageman to go into Closed Session. Motion carried 7-0.
29. Present were President Schwoch, Trustee Ballerstein, Trustee Carter, Trustee Klemetson, Trustee Lageman, Trustee Klimpke and Trustee Goldschmidt. Also present were Clerk/Treasurer Christie Erikson, Public Works Supervisor Clint Penney and Water/Sewer Manager Rick Golz.

CLOSED SESSION

30. Reconvene to Open Session to take action or announce action taken in Closed Session, if any and if appropriate. Raises for employees:
- Clint Penney, Rick Golz and Randy Geiger - \$1.75 per hour raise with extra \$25 towards IRA
 - Jenny Reynolds - \$1.00 per hour raise with extra \$25 towards IRA
 - Christie Erikson - \$2.00 per hour raise
31. Motion was made by Trustee Klimpke, seconded by Trustee Klemetson to approve the date of next Board Meeting: January 8, 2025. Motion carried 7-0.
32. Motion was made by Trustee Carter, seconded by Trustee Klimpke to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0. Meeting was adjourned at 8:08pm.

Christie Erikson, Clerk-Treasurer