

Village of Boaz  
Board of Trustees  
Tuesday, October 9, 2018  
Regular Meeting  
Boaz Community Building Office  
6:00 p.m.

Present: President Jean Nicks, Trustee Judy Collins, Trustee Kerry Gies

Absent: N/A

Others: Susie Hauri (Village Clerk/Treasurer), Gladys Anderson (resident), Theron Gobin (resident)

President Nicks called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. She noted that the meeting had been posted at the Boaz Community Building and online at [www.villageofboaz.com/meetings](http://www.villageofboaz.com/meetings). Proper notice to news media (*The Richland Observer*) had been given.

Trustee Gies made a motion to accept the agenda; seconded by Trustee Collins. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Collins to approve the September regular meeting minutes; seconded by Trustee Gies. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Gies to approve the September 13<sup>th</sup> special meeting minutes; seconded by Trustee Collins. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Gies to approve the September 27<sup>th</sup> special meeting minutes; seconded by Trustee Collins. Motion carried.

Public comment – Theron Gobin stated that the Village residents should not have to pay for special meetings when the meeting is not specifically Village business. Gladys Anderson stated that this is the first time that special meetings were called for putting on a benefit. Currently there is no ordinance that addresses payment for special meetings, and the Board will look into it. Also, Sara Brice left a message for the Board that her property is flooded again with the recent rains and inquired about the status on fixing Dull's tube.

Clerk/Treasurer Hauri presented the September treasurer's report for the Sewer Utility Account and General Account. A motion was made by Trustee Collins to approve the treasurer's report; seconded by Trustee Gies. Motion carried.

Motion made by Trustee Gies to amend the 2018 Sewer Utility Budget by moving \$300 from "Pumps, Parts, and Repairs" to "Miscellaneous" and moving \$250 from "Pumps, Parts, and Repairs" to "Maintenance Wages" for the payment of bills; seconded by Trustee Collins. Motion carried.

Clerk/Treasurer Hauri presented the October bills. Trustee Collins made a motion to approve the payment of bills; seconded by Trustee Gies. Motion carried.

A provisional operator's license was issued to Casie N. Rowles of Lonesome Dove Tavern August 13, 2018. The Board reviewed Rowles's application, beverage server training course certificate, and background check showing no arrest records that would affect the serving of alcohol beverages. Motion made by Trustee Gies to issue an operator's license to Casie N. Rowles of Lonesome Dove Tavern; seconded by Trustee Collins. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a budget worksheet that included a proposed budget for 2019 for the General Account and Sewer Utility for the Village of Boaz. Motion made by Trustee Collins to endorse the proposed budget for 2019 for the General Account and Sewer Utility for the Village of Boaz; seconded by Trustee Gies. Motion carried. The endorsed budget will be available for public inspection two weeks before the November 8<sup>th</sup> Budget Hearing.

The Board reviewed the Municipal Levy Limit Worksheet for the Village of Boaz. It was noted that the local tax levy for the Village of Boaz has remained unchanged at \$13,000.00 since 2009. Motion made by Trustee Gies to endorse a tax levy of \$13,000 for 2019 for the Village of Boaz; seconded by Trustee Collins. Motion carried.

Trustee Collins made a motion to approve the Mill Creek Saddle Club event October 20, 2018 at Boaz Community Park; seconded by Trustee Gies. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a draft ordinance updating park regulations in the Village of Boaz. Attorney Eileen Brownlee did not have an opinion on the use of drones but stated that some municipalities prohibit them because their use can annoy other park visitors. After much discussion the Board decided to allow the use of drones in the Boaz Community Park, striking section #9 from the ordinance draft. Motion made by Trustee Gies to adopt ordinance number 2018-4 An Ordinance Establishing Park Regulations in the Village of Boaz, Richland County, Wisconsin; seconded by Trustee Collins. Motion carried. This ordinance repeals any prior ordinances.

Trustee Gies indicated that there are a number of things in the Boaz Community Park that need attention. He would like to meet with one person from each club after the Boaz Parade to discuss park improvements. Trustee Gies will report back to the Board about the information he gathers. It was noted that municipal park boards/commissions are required to follow guidelines set out in state statutes, whereas park committees are supervised directly by the Board. Both commissions and committees are subject to open meetings and public records laws.

President Nicks reported that the fascia board for park shelters could not be painted and needs to be replaced. Also, tin on the restroom roof needs to be replaced, and President Nicks will check on prices. Motion made by Trustee Collins to authorize President Nicks to purchase fascia board for the park shelters; seconded by Trustee Gies. Motion carried.

Standing water on Jefferson Street – Trustee Gies and Mark Anderson got the tube at 25431 Jefferson Street opened up some, but the flow is still restricted, perhaps by gravel in the tube. Clerk/Treasurer Hauri was instructed to send a letter sent to property owner Yvoone Dull to have the tube dug up, cleaned out and inspected and either returned or replaced by a minimum 18” tube by November 30, 2018.

Clerk/Treasurer Hauri reported that a test of the electronic voting machine will take place November 1, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. in the Boaz Community Building office. Linda Schwanz, Judy Collins, and Judy Adrian will be election inspectors for the November 6<sup>th</sup> Partisan Election with Cathy Persinger as the alternate.

At the last regular meeting of the Boaz Village Board, it was questioned whether the Village of Boaz could use the Sewer Utility tractor since it was purchased with Clean Water Fund monies. Clerk/Treasurer Hauri shared with the Board a letter she found dated September 7, 2000 from Becky Scott at the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Bureau of Community Financial Assistance. Scott stated, “It is our opinion that since the tractor should be significantly depreciated by this time, that it is acceptable for the Village to use it for general purposes in addition to using it at the wastewater treatment facility.”

Boaz Sewer Utility repairs – Clerk/Treasurer Hauri relayed the following message from Sewer Operator Dave Huth: About 10 years ago the Village hired Greg Dull to pump out the tanks where the valve bodies are and hired Dave Huth to exercise the valves. This needs to be done again, according to the DNR, especially with all the rain we have had. Dave will wait to hear directions from the Board.

It was noted that Mark Anderson can do the pumping, and the Sewer Utility owns all the equipment needed to complete this. Also, cords and boxes for new grinder pumps are now color-coded differently. President Nicks will bring Mark the materials needed to color-code the wires properly. Also, President Nicks spoke with Greg Schneider about station #27, and the job is still on their list, with completion possibly as soon as next week.

Current inventory: “New-style” pumps – 2 new (1 for station #27), 3 rebuilt (will be 4 with station #27); “old-style” pumps – 1 rebuilt; “special” pump –1.

Clerk/Treasurer Hauri made a request to dispose of an adding machine and check protector. The adding machine would be donated to Goodwill if no one else wanted it, and the check protector would be returned, postage-paid, to Paymaster to be used for parts. President Nicks noted that Assessor Will Hanson had expressed interest in the check protector, and Hauri will contact Hanson to see if he would want it. Motion made by Trustee Gies to authorize Clerk/Treasurer Hauri to dispose of the adding machine and check protector; seconded by Trustee Collins. Motion carried.

Mark Anderson spent 4 hours installing street signs last week.

Two cameras have been installed in the park overlooking the Community Building parking lot and dumpster. There are six cameras yet to be installed by spring - three for the community building (front door, back door, and parking lot) and three for over by the park bathrooms and footbridge.

Reminder that a Public Hearing on the proposed 2019 Budget and Levy for the Village of Boaz is scheduled for Thursday, November 8, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.

The next regular meeting date was confirmed for Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the Boaz Community Building office.

Trustee Collins made a motion to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.; seconded by Trustee Gies. Motion carried.

Submitted by Susie Hauri, Clerk/Treasurer