

Village of Boaz
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

Boaz Community Building (Telephone Bridge Conference access was available, also)
6:00 p.m.

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

Absent: N/A

Others: Susie Hauri (Village Clerk/Treasurer), Amy Talty (Bug Tussel Wireless)

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. 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 March regular meeting minutes; seconded by Trustee Gies. Motion carried.

Amy Talty, Business Development Manager from Bug Tussel Wireless, explained about available services in the Village of Boaz. They currently have 7 towers throughout Richland County, with one of the towers serving the Village of Boaz to provide broadband internet, AT&T cellular, and FirstNet broadband services (for first responders). Ms. Talty (920-396-2224) would come to Boaz and meet with anyone needing television, Internet, or cell phone service for home or business. Flyers with additional information are available inside the Boaz Community Building.

Regulations (Wisconsin law and Village ordinance) governing the issuance of a Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License for the sale of alcoholic beverages in Boaz Community park were reviewed. Organizations eligible to apply for the Temporary Class "B" Retailer's License are: bona fide clubs; state, county, or local fair associations or agricultural societies; churches, lodges, or societies that have been in existence for at least 6 months; posts of veterans organizations; chambers of commerce or similar civic or trade organizations organized under Ch. 181, Wis. Stats. The applicant must submit proof of \$500,000 liquor liability insurance coverage in order for the Village Board to approve the license.

There were no requests for the use of Boaz Community Park.

There were no requests for Temporary Class "B"/"Class B" Retailers licenses.

Trustee Gies made a motion to issue a fence permit for 17119 East Grove Street; seconded by Trustee Collins. Motion carried.

There were no public comments.

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

Trustee Collins made a motion to approve the payment of bills; seconded by Trustee Gies. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Gies to reopen the Boaz Community Building for public rentals and 4-H Club meetings and to reopen the flush toilets in Boaz Community Park on May 1st; seconded

by Trustee Collins. Motion carried. Mask wearing, frequent sanitizing, and social distancing are required due to Covid-19.

The Village of Boaz/Town of Dayton Spring Clean-up Day is scheduled for Saturday, May 1, 2021 from 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Clerk/Treasurer Hauri ordered two 50-yard dumpsters from Town and Country Sanitation for refuse, and Trustee Gies contacted L & M Salvage to secure a dumpster for metals.

Trustee Gies made a motion to purchase seven Type-3 LED lights with hardware for the horse arena at a cost not to exceed \$1,000; seconded by Trustee Collins. Motion carried. The lights have a 5-year guarantee.

There was a break-in at the horse arena concession building in March. President Nicks filed police report, and repairs are being made. Trustee Gies will arrange for the mounting of additional security cameras in the area.

A motion was made by Trustee Collins to issue Operator's licenses to Jamie L. Dobbs and Mackenzie A. Herreid of Lonesome Dove Tavern; seconded by Trustee Gies. Motion carried.

Trustee Collins made a motion to enter into Agreement 2021-1 with Tom Burkhamer for 2021 park mowing; seconded by Trustee Gies. Motion carried.

Conditions have not been conducive for the spring burning of brush along Mill Creek. When it is safe to burn, a permit for the Village address will be obtained and the fire department will be informed of the controlled burn.

Results of the April 6, 2021 advisory referendum question to limit swine in the Village of Boaz: 20 of 25 voters (80%) voted YES to limit; 3 of 25 voters (12%) voted NO to limit; and 2 of 25 voters (8%) did not vote. Trustee Gies made a motion directing Clerk/Treasurer Hauri to contact Attorney Eileen Brownlee to draft an ordinance limiting the ownership, harboring or keeping of swine to a maximum of two (2) swine (not more than one (1) per property of at least one (1) acre but less than two (2) acres or two (2) per property two (2) acres or larger) in the Village of Boaz; seconded by Trustee Collins. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed a public nuisance complaint form received for loud music on Jackson Street. President Jean Nicks spoke with the person to keep the volume down and gave the person a copy of the public nuisance ordinance. If the problem persists, Attorney Eileen Brownlee will be contacted to abate the nuisance by court action.

Boaz Sewer Utility repairs: Mark Anderson replaced pump at station #24 (G. Anderson, Bolstad, Kalish) on March 30th. He still needs to raise the alarm panel for station #40 (Faulkner) due to high water. Current inventory: new-style pumps – 2 brand-new plus 2 rebuilt; 1 old-style pump and 0 "Special" pumps.

Boaz Community Park repairs needed for 2021 – leveling and addition to the horse arena concession stand, 2 replacement porta potties, drain tile projects (estimated cost \$500), new trees.

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT) has a project (ID: 5860-00-61) under development to treat the pavement of State Highway 171 with mill and overlay and to replace guard rail end terminals as needed. Trustee Kerry Gies has the DOT project paperwork and will report any Boaz sewer utilities in the Highway 171 project area to DOT Utility Coordinator James Hodges, Jr.

Purchase of flags for the Highway 171 bridge – President Nicks ordered two U.S. flags and two Wisconsin flags and four poles. Clerk/Treasurer Hauri designed a mastodon banner, and President Nicks will have two banners made to be mounted at each end of the bridge.

Clerk/Treasurer Hauri reported about a public records request that she completed regarding absentee balloting in the Village of Boaz for the November 3, 2020 election.

Board of Review (BOR) will be April 27, 2021 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Boaz Community Building. BOR training was completed last year and satisfies the requirements for this year.

The next regular meeting date was confirmed for Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Boaz Community Building; phone conference capability will be available, also.

Trustee Collins made a motion to adjourn at 8:27 p.m.; seconded by Trustee Gies. Motion carried.

Submitted by Susie Hauri, Clerk/Treasurer