

The June 19, 2023 meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Elk Mound was called to order by Village President Terry Stamm at 6:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Karin Wolf, Clerk-Treasurer, verified that proper notice of the meeting had been posted.

Roll call showed Cynthia Abraham, Bob Bachman, Tim Benjamin, Pat Hahn, Pat Lien, Joyce Price, and Terry Stamm present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Hahn/Lien moved and seconded a motion to approve the Village Board Minutes of May 15, 2023 and June 5, 2023. Motion carried.

CITIZEN'S FORUM – (PUBLIC INPUT)

No one was registered for Citizen's Forum.

PUBLIC APPEARANCE

There was no public appearance.

APPROVAL OF GENERAL FUND AND WATER/SEWER UTILITY VOUCHERS

Abraham/Benjamin moved and seconded a motion to approve the combined checks 32354 - 32394 and direct deposits V3440 - V3470 for a total of \$53,012.40. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF TID VOUCHERS

Hahn/Abraham moved and seconded a motion to approve TID checks 1012-1013 for a total of \$1,722. Motion carried.

PERMITS – BUILDING; WATER/SEWER APPLICATIONS FOR SERVICE/TAP PERMITS

A building permit was issued to Jordan Koeppen, 500 University Street. Pool permits were issued to Tonya Marko, 304 Mound Park Drive, and Sara Steig, S213 Holly Avenue.

REPORTS BY OFFICIALS:

Water/Sewer Report

The Water/Sewer Report was presented by Mark Levra, Director of Public Works. The report is on file in the Director of Public Works office.

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Police Chief Report

The Police Chief Report was presented by Police Chief Chad Weinberger. The report is on file in the Village Clerk-Treasurer's office.

Standing Committee Reports:

Public Works & Streets

Bob Bachman reported that the Public Works & Streets Committee did not meet.

Public Safety

Tim Benjamin reported that the Public Safety Committee did not meet.

Property & Finance

Cynthia Abraham reported that the Property & Finance Committee did not meet.

Employee Relations

Pat Lien reported that the Employee Relations Committee did not meet.

Special Committee Reports:

Plan Commission

Terry Stamm reported that the Plan Commission did not meet.

Report from Fire Board Representative

Tim Benjamin reported that the Fire Department responded to 12 calls since the last meeting. It also participated in two fire training drills this month which included propane fire practices.

Dan Williams is the new fire inspector and training officer.

The department currently has 24 firefighters. Chief Feuster continues to review ordinances and billing practices, and hopes to complete this by the end of the summer.

The department approved the repair of engine #5 at a cost of \$90,000-\$115,000. All three entities have approved their share of the cost.

Chief Feuster is also researching payment options for a wet rescue vehicle. The department also replaced external antennas for six garage doors for better reception.

Report from Elk Mound/Colfax Solid Waste & Recycling

Terry Stamm reported that the RU staff conducted a clean sweep event at the Colfax Fairgrounds on June 6. The event was operated using a \$8,100 grant.

The unit is working with the Town of Elk Mound to remove a hill of fill dirt at the Elk Mound site to improve brush and mulch operations. The unit was also involved with the DNR inspections of the Colfax and Elk Mound sites on June 15 to ensure compliance with state regulations.

Colfax Rescue Squad Monthly Report

The Colfax Rescue Squad Monthly Report was not available at the time of the meeting.

Community Center/Library Report

Terry Stamm reported that the Community Center/Library Board met on May 22. Joleen Sterk, Director of the Menomonie Library, presented a report showing the activity of the Elk Mound branch in 2022. Total checkouts were 5,690 and there were 6,031 wireless sessions, showing that many area residents are using the wireless internet.

Stamm is still working on locating an appropriate-sized cabinet for the historical item display. A grant application was submitted to Bremer Foundation to replace the board room screen with the intent that the current screen would be used at the library. Award announcements will be in by July 19.

The committee approved the Lions Club's use of the community center at a reduced rent of \$25/day during the thrift sales. They also approved for Dunn County Emergency Management to use the room at no charge for an emergency preparedness class.

Communications & Miscellaneous Business as Permitted by Law

Karin Wolf reported that the village had been contacted by LCC Telecom, who has shown interest in placing a cell phone tower in the village. They would lease a 100' x 100' section of property at a rate of \$500/month, with an increase of 5% per year for 10 years. Both Wolf and President Stamm have been in contact with the LCC Telecom representative, who is going to send more information about the application process.

Director of Public Works Mark Levra mentioned that the playground equipment at Moundview Elementary is being replaced next week. Natural Touch Landscaping, the company in charge of the project, asked if the village would like the old playground equipment, with possible placement by Field 3 in the village park.

Communications & Miscellaneous Business as Permitted by Law (continued)

Trustee Cynthia Abraham mentioned that the Grub Fusion Diner's grand opening was a success. The Hmong Wisconsin Chamber of Commerce, the Eau Claire Area Chamber of Commerce, WQOW News 18, and representatives from Derrick Van Orden's office all attended.

Unfinished Business:

Discussion/Action Purchase of three Getac Police Computers and Cradle for \$9,069, utilizing the \$7,000 Police Covid Grant and the remaining \$2,069 from the Patrol Wages Account

Benjamin/Bachman moved and seconded a motion to table this item until the July 3 meeting.

New Business:

Discussion/Action Compliance Maintenance Annual Report

Director of Public Works Mark Levra presented the 2022 Compliance Maintenance Annual Report to the Board. No action was taken.

Discussion/Action Compliance Maintenance Annual Report Resolution 23-7

Hahn/Benjamin moved and seconded a motion to approve the Compliance Maintenance Annual Report, Resolution 23-7. Motion carried.

Discussion/Action Renewal Application Class "A" Retailer's Fermented Malt Beverage License and "Class A" Intoxicating Liquor License and "Class A" – Intoxicating Liquor License – Cider Only for Consumption off Premise for Cenergy, LLC – Elk Mound Travel Stop #3773

Abraham/Bachman moved and seconded a motion to approve the Renewal Application Class "A" Retailer's Fermented Malt Beverage License and "Class A" Intoxicating Liquor License and "Class A" – Intoxicating Liquor License – Cider Only for Consumption off Premise for Cenergy, LLC – Elk Mound Travel Stop #3773. Motion carried.

Adjourn

Lien/Hahn moved and seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 p.m. Motion carried.

Karin Wolf

Village of Elk Mound Clerk-Treasurer