

REGULAR MEETING OF THE KIMBERLY VILLAGE BOARD – JULY 6, 2009

President Kuen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present for roll call were Trustees Gaffney, Hammen, Hruzek, Opsteen, Trentlage, Weber and President Kuen. Also present were Street Commissioner Vander Velden, Engineer Werner of McMahon, Chief of Police Misselt, Community Enrichment Director Schaefer and one citizen.

President Kuen welcomed Chief of Police Erik Misselt. His words at the swearing in ceremony this morning were both refreshing and inspirational.

Trustee Hammen moved, Trentlage seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the June Meetings as presented. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

Trustee Weber moved, Hammen seconded the motion to approve the bills and claims for the month of June as presented. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

Trustee Trentlage moved, Hammen seconded the motion to approve the financial statements for the month of June as presented. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

Trustee Trentlage moved, Hammen seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the various Boards and Commissions for the month of June as prepared. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

Trustee Weber moved, Hammen seconded the motion to approve Resolution Number 19, Series of 2009, a Resolution adopting the Compliance Maintenance Annual Report (CMAR) for the Village of Kimberly sanitary sewer system. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

Trustee Gaffney moved, Trentlage seconded the motion to approve the Request for Payment Number Two from Vinton Construction Company in the amount of \$188,759.04 for the First Street Pavement Project. Trustee Opsteen questioned the status of the requests of Vinton regarding Papermaker Drive. It was noted that the response was shared a few weeks ago with the Board, and it was agreed to hold off further discussion until the Quad Community Meeting at the end of July. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

Trustee Hammen moved, Gaffney seconded the motion to approve the Request for Payment Number Two and Final from RVT Testing in the amount of \$1,892.20 for the Sunset Pond evaluation project. It was noted that no more funds will be required until the Board authorizes additional work. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

Trustee Trentlage moved, Weber seconded the motion to approve the Reserve Combination “Class B” License for Picnic Express on Van Roy Road. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

Trustee Hammen moved, Gaffney seconded the motion to approve operator's licenses for the following:

Molly A. De Witt	Kimberly
Peggy Ann Van Hammond	Combined Locks
Paul A. Ambroso	Appleton
Joshua T. Schmidt	Appleton
Danyon J. Phalin	Appleton
Carolyn J. Mc Farlane	Combined Locks
Laurie S. Helm	Appleton
Steven W. Biever	Kimberly
Cynthia C. Hoffman	Kaukauna

The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

Administrator Hermus noted that we have been rejected for the stimulus projects for streets and trails. With the previous failure to secure funds for watermain projects, we only have the sanitary sewer projects remaining open for review.

Administrator Hermus informed the Board that he has met with Congressman Thomas Petri regarding the Kimberly Mill. He and his staff will investigate issues which could help us move this project forward when Sanabe finds a potential buyer. He has also been in contact with Marlene Mielke of U. S. Senator Herb Kohl's Office regarding coordination of these issues. Finally, Administrator Hermus is meeting next week with State Representative Al Ott to get the state up to speed on the issue. Someone from the Department of Commerce is also being invited to that meeting. President Kuen expanded the conversation by explaining the local efforts and the local team that was assembled to help with this project. Although there are rumors that we are doing nothing, quite the opposite is true. We also are working to keep more workers involved in this process through emails.

Chief Misselt reported that his first day was hectic, but rewarding. He was happy to be here and volunteered to answer any questions from the Board. President Kuen noted that the presentation this morning was well done, and he caught the attention of the staff immediately.

Street Commissioner Vander Velden reported that First Street Paving Project is completed and the street is open. There are some minor issues regarding restoration that are being addressed. Second and Third Street paving from last year's Sanitary Sewer Projects should be done by the end of the week, with barricades being removed next week. The Sanitary Sewer Projects are moving along, with the Kimberly Avenue to First Street done, and they are working on restoring the alley. The block between Kimberly and Maes is about 80% done. There were some cross connections where the storm was tied into the sanitary laterals to serve as overflows. Due to their configuration, they would never have been found without reconstruction. Three total cross-connections were discovered. We will watch for more as we move north, as this section of town was all done about the same time, in the 1920's. These are examples of the "smoking guns" we have been looking for.

Community Enrichment Director Schaefer reported that the Paperfest Bands are playing the same schedules as in the past. This was questioned a few weeks ago, but nothing has changed from past years.

On June 23rd, we had a record 1,267 attendees at the Sunset Swim Beach. Of course, we closed a few days last week with the cool weather.

Trustee Hammen expressed his concern with the buckthorn project in Sunset Park. He feels we are destroying the natural beauty of the park. Although buckthorn is an invasive species, he is concerned that this project will not succeed. After a long discussion, staff will arrange a meeting with the Environmental Scientist, engineer and Trustee Hammen to review the short term and long term scope of the project. This will be brought back to the Board next Monday for discussion.

Administrator Hermus noted that, included in the State Budget, is the increase in landfill tipping fees as discussed previously. Unfortunately, they become effective July 1, 2009 in the form of a \$4 ton increase, with another \$3.10 increase effective October 1, 2009. The real shame of this issue is that the state is feeding their spending monster by increasing local taxes, while claiming they are lowering taxes via cuts in shared revenue and spending caps.

Trustee Weber moved, Hammen seconded the motion to adjourn into Closed Session per the posted Agenda. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

Trustee Opsteen moved, Hruzek seconded the motion to reconvene into open session per the posted Agenda. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

Trustee Hammen moved, Trentlage seconded the motion to approve the mid-year salary adjustments for non-represented staff. The motion carried by majority vote of the Board, with Trustee Opsteen dissenting. President Kuen noted that the increases are greatly reduced this year due to the economy, while we try to adhere to our salary administration plan.

Trustee Hammen moved, Gaffney seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

Rick J. Hermus
Administrator/Clerk