



The VOICE of the VILLAGE

Hilbert, Wisconsin

November 2014

FROM THE VILLAGE BOARD--

Highlights of the November Board Meeting:

The village board approved the following:

- *Revised snow removal ordinance for sidewalks along with changes to the allowed widths of driveway openings.
- *Approved scopes 1 & 2 for electrical work at the fire station at a cost of \$1,965. The funds will come from reserves.
- *Approved the assessor contract with Action Appraisers & Consultants for 2015.

The village board received notification of the following:

- *Notice was received from the Department of Administration for the final 1/1/14 estimated population of the village. It is 1,150.
- *Received notice that we will be receiving a \$500,000 principal forgiveness grant through the DNR Clean Water Fund for our treatment plant upgrade project.

2015 Budget – After deliberation on the proposed budgets, the village board did approve the 2015 budgets for all funds with the following changes made at the public hearing:

1. Reinstate the GIS mapping for the storm sewer at a cost of \$5,300 and reduce the amount set aside in reserve for replacing culverts on Milwaukee St. between 8th St. & 5th St. by \$5,300.
2. Adjust the \$45,000 proposed for flipping the old ballfield to \$25,000 with \$5,000 being set aside to have the engineers complete an engineered plan for the project and the remaining \$20,000 set aside into a reserve fund for the project.

With these adjustments, the village will be taking \$38,575 out of the unrestricted general fund balance in 2015 to meet the approved expenditures. For 2014, the village is anticipating taking an additional \$26,000 out of unrestricted general fund balance to cover budget shortfalls. The village set a local tax rate of \$6.7492641 compared to \$6.7924087 or a \$0.0431446 reduction compared to last year.

Next Regular Board Meeting, Tuesday, December 9, 2014, 7 p.m.

Bingo Bash, November 22, 2014, 7 p.m., Hilbert Community Center

Village of Hilbert Website: www.villageofhilbert.com

NOMINATION PAPERS FOR VILLAGE BOARD

If you are interested in running for election for one of the positions on the village board, you can begin to circulate nomination papers beginning on December 1, 2014. The deadline for turning in those nomination papers is 5 p.m. on Tuesday, January 6, 2015. The current positions up for election in April are Village President, Kenneth Stenklyft and Village Trustees, Richard Thiel, Timothy Keuler and Daniel Starfeld. If you are interested in running for one of these positions, you can obtain the necessary nomination paperwork from the clerk's office. This is your chance to get involved and have a say in the local decisions made at the village.

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B-I-N-G-O!!!

The Hilbert/Potter Optimists will be holding their annual bingo bash at the community center on Saturday, November 22, 2014. Doors will open at 6 p.m. with bingo beginning at 7 p.m. Please come out and support this group with their fundraising event. There will be plenty of prizes, food and refreshments. All proceeds from this event go right back into supporting the youth in our area.

LIONS NEWS

Forty years ago, twenty-one young men got together at the Establishment to form the Hilbert Lions Club. While over the years many members have come and gone, three members continue to serve this group to this day. We would like to recognize Tom Koenen, Harold Sippel and Duane Sweere for their forty years of dedication to this group.

I am sure when they planned their first fundraiser back in 1974, they never realized what they had started. To date, over \$375,000 has been raised by this group to be used to better the community, help the needy and help support state, national and international Lions charities.

Our current fundraiser is a \$10,000 cash raffle. Each purchased ticket allows two individuals lunch plus free beer and soda at Cobblestone Creek in Brillion on the night of the drawing. We have \$15,000 in total cash prizes to be given away plus many other door prizes. Cost of the ticket is \$50. Our drawing is March 26th at 8 p.m. You do not need to be present to win. Please contact Dane Zahn at 920-418-3000 or Bruce Schroeder at 920-374-0951 or any other Lions member to get your ticket.