

President Tom Roehrig called the Public Hearing to order at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 14, 2025: with the regular Board meeting to immediately follow.

Roll Call - Loose, Collins, Hunter, Pulley, Stenklyft and Roehrig. Not present was Nolan. Others present were Missy Kieso, Mike Loose, Kim Plate, Mark Paxson, Sandra Weatherwax & her guest.

Pledge of Allegiance – The pledge of allegiance was recited by everyone present.

President Roehrig then preceded with the Public Hearing regarding the proposed special assessments for the 2025 Thorn Creek Drive & Tanglewood Way Street Project. Kieso presented the letter that was sent to the residents and the packet that was enclosed. The letter explained that it is the Village's intention to complete the Village Meadows urbanization project which will entail the installation of curb & gutter, sanitary manhole adjustments and 4" of asphalt pavement on Thorn Creek Drive and Tanglewood Way beginning at Phase 2. As part of the project, the Village at the December Board meeting passed a resolution declaring their intention to special assess for the curb and gutter portion for this project. The project is slated for completion in 2025. President Roehrig then declared the Public Hearing closed.

The Village Board meeting then took place.

Citizen Questions and Concerns – none.

Announcements – Papers turned in for spring election- Village President (T. Roehrig) and Village Trustee (C. Collins) will be on the ballot: 2 Trustee positions are open with no one on the ballot. Write-ins and registered write-ins options are available.

Spring Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2025.

Spring Election will be held on Tuesday, April 1, 2025.

Minutes - Action - to approve the Village Board meeting minutes as presented with corrections and place them on file - motion: Stenklyft; second: Collins; carried. Action – to accept the Fire Department meeting minutes and place them on file – motion: Stenklyft; second: Collins; carried. There were no First Responder minutes presented to the Board.

Treasurer's Reports – Action- to approve the Village treasurer's report as presented - motion: Loose; second: Collins; carried. Action - to accept the Fire Department Treasurer's Report - motion: Stenklyft; second: Loose; carried. Action – to approve the First Responder's report as presented – motion: Stenklyft; second: Loose; carried.

Claims for the Village of Hilbert – Examined and discussed. Action - to pay all claims as presented - motion: Stenklyft; second: Collins; carried.

Correspondences – Calumet County Interim Settlement for property taxes – Kieso announced that over \$794k has been collected in property taxes. The Village has already collected 35% of the property tax bills. Notice of General Transportation Aid Calculation Summary – A letter from the Department of Transportation was presented to the Board. It showed the 2025 Final Calculation net total of \$94,750.23, which is up \$12,358.75 from 2024. Notice of General Transportation Aid Quarterly Payment – The payment advice for the first quarterly payment was presented to the Board for their information.

Reports – Labor Hours report and the Building Permits report were presented to the Board for their information.

Unfinished Business – none.

Recycling/Rubbish- Monthly Report- The monthly report was given to the Board for their information. Stenklyft said that GFL is seeing an increase in residents putting their recycling into their trash. Kieso said that she would put a reminder in the Voice of the Village that residents put recycling only into recycling bins.

Police Protection for the Village – The monthly report was presented to the Board for their information.

Village Meadows Subdivision – Monthly update on lots sold/available - A report on the lots which have been sold and lots available was presented to the Board for their information. Kieso told the Board that 3 lots remain for sale. Subdivision Improvements/Phases – Nothing new.

TID #2 – updates & discussion – none.

Sludge Dewatering Project –

Discussion and possible action regarding Payment Request #2 from Sabel Mechanical, LLC – Plate told the Board that everything is done and is working properly. All work was done on time. The amount due this application is \$137,800.51 – Action – to pay Sabel Mechanical, LLC the amount due – motion: Collins; second: Loose; Roll Call Vote – yes: Loose, Collins, Hunter, Pulley, Stenklyft and Roehrig; carried.

New Business -

Fire Department – Discussion and possible action regarding electrical work at the Fire Station – Loose told the Board that there are 2 master electricians on the Fire Department that would be willing to do the new electrical work. He said that if the power goes out they can only open the garage doors by hand. The Fire Department is looking to pay for this work. Kieso will call the Village's insurance company before anything is done. No action taken.

Application for Operators Licenses – Discussion and possible action for operator's license – Kieso told the Board that there was an application for an operator's license. The applicant had several items on the background check that were concerning – Action – to decline the application – motion: Stenklyft; second: Collins; carried. Discussion and possible action regarding a temporary Class B license for St. Mary's for an event- This temporary license is for the All For Love event held every year at the Community Center. It is scheduled for Saturday, February 1, 2025 – Action – to approve a temporary Class B license for St. Mary's for the upcoming event – motion: Loose; second: Stenklyft; carried.

Classes/Seminars/Schooling for employees - Discussion and possible action regarding requests for schooling/training sessions – none. Reports on schooling/training sessions attended – none.

Water Department – No updates

2025 Projects – Thorn Creek Dr./Tanglewood Way Street Project – Discussion and possible action regarding Resolution 2025-01 "Final Resolution Authorizing to Levy Special Assessments Under Municipal Police Power Pursuant to Section 66.0703 Wisconsin Statutes – Action – to approve Resolution 2025-01 – motion: Stenklyft; second: Collins; Roll Call Vote – yes: Loose, Collins, Hunter, Pulley, Stenklyft and Roehrig; carried.

Employee Review & Grievance Committee – Committee minutes presented for acceptance and to be placed on file – Action – to approve the minutes as presented and place them on file – motion: Stenklyft; second: Loose; carried.

Water & Sewer Committee – Committee minutes presented for acceptance and to be placed on file – Action – to approve the minutes as presented and place them on file – motion: Stenklyft; second: Collins; carried. Committee recommendation regarding the purchase of a lawn mower (budgeted) for the Wastewater Treatment Facility – Action – to approve the purchase of a lawn mower for the Wastewater Treatment Facility in the amount of \$8,124.90, which was set aside in the budget – motion: Collins; second: Stenklyft; carried. Discussion and possible action regarding committee recommendation for a signed agreement with a resident regarding a lead service line replacement – Loose, Village Trustee, stepped away and moved to the public seating area because she felt it was a conflict of interest for her to vote. This agreement was pertaining to the verbal agreement with Dennis Hein to pay 25% of the cost of the line replacement - Action – to approve a signed agreement with a resident regarding a lead service line – motion: Collins; second: Stenklyft; carried. Committee recommendation regarding the request from a resident for reimbursement of a lead service line – Mike and Anita Loose are former owners of the property at 6 E. Main Street. The property has been sold. They are asking the Village to pay 75% of the cost incurred to replace the lead service line just like the case at the 606 W. Main Street property. Stenklyft stated that because the property has been sold they would have already been returned this cost from the buyer in the selling price of the house. Loose stated that they originally requested payback when they owned the property prior to selling. She stated that they did the right thing by replacing the line and getting it taken care of right away. They asked how the Village can reimburse one property owner and not another for

the same issue? The committee made the recommendation that the Board does not approve the reimbursement– Action – to deny the request for reimbursement – motion: Stenklyft; there was no second. Motion denied. The issue will go back to the Water & Sewer Committee for more discussion.

Plan Commission Committee – Committee minutes presented for acceptance and to be placed on file – Action – to approve the minutes as presented and place them on file – motion: Stenklyft; second: Collins; carried. Update/Discussion on Comprehensive Plan – no update. Discussion and possible action regarding the Spring Clean Event for May 2025 – Collins thinks that the Spring Clean Event is a nice event and it helps to keep the Village clean. The event is for large items only. It was discussed that if the item fits in your trash can, do not bring it to the event. A fee was talked about, but there has never been a charge for this event in the past. The Board would like the Recycling Committee to bring recommendations back to them. A committee meeting is scheduled for February 5th at 5:00 p.m. The Spring Clean Event is scheduled for May 3rd. No action taken.

Village Board Member Informational Report – none.

Village Personnel Information Report – Plate made the recommendation that the Board considers going to 5 members instead of 7 because it is getting harder to find residents to run for Board positions.

President's Report – none.

The Village Board then convened into closed session under S.19.85(1)(e): Deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Action – to convene into closed session – motion: Stenklyft; second: Collins; Roll Call Vote – yes: Loose, Collins, Hunter, Pulley, Stenklyft and Roehrig; carried. Not present was Nolan.

The Village Board then reconvened back into open session. Action – to reconvene into open session – motion: Stenklyft; second: Collins; Roll Call Vote – yes – Loose, Collins, Hunter, Pulley, Stenklyft and Roehrig; carried. Not present was Nolan.

Action – No action taken.

Adjournment – Action – to adjourn – motion: Stenklyft; second: Collins; carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Deb Thiel, Deputy Clerk