

**Village of Holmen  
Board Proceedings  
October 8, 2015**

President Proctor called the Holmen Village Board meeting to order at 7:00 pm on October 8, 2015, at the Holmen Village Hall.

Board members present: Nancy Proctor, Steve Johnston, Rich Anderson, Dawn Kulcinski, Chuck Olson, Bill Ebner and Doug Jorstad. Also present were Administrator Heinig, Park & Recreation Director Brogan, Police Chief McHugh, Public Works Director Olson, Clerk/Treasurer Hornberg, Attorney Brian Weber, Lt. Collins, Rick Durst, Diane Fernholz, Jay Fernholz, Patrick Barlow, Alexis Meyer, Steve Doyle and his assistant and Pat McKnight.

**Public Comment**

Steve Doyle remarked that he was in attendance this evening to distribute the updated State of Wisconsin Blue Books and also to update the Board on happenings in Madison, as well as to answer any questions. He noted that the State Assembly was in a working session in which many new bills would be created. Doyle mentioned some of the big issues were regarding GAB reformation, fetal tissue research, and that he is working on a "circuit breaker bill" to provide tax relief for the middle class. This bill would look at family income and property tax expense and provide a credit for certain ranges of taxpayers. Trustee Olson questioned the offset of the tax break as well, as inquiring on transportation funding issues.

Rick Durst commented in regards to his concern for the rezoning of parcel 14-87-18. He feels the density, as well as the traffic, would be too high for that or any cul-de-sac. He feels safety is a major concern, and he opposes the proposed R-5 zoning.

Alexis Meyer spoke as one of the developers for parcel 14-87-18; she stated that this density would be similar to the existing developments on the cul-de-sac at Angel Court. Meyer stated that the road would be extended and that the developers for the project are working with La Crosse Engineering, as well as Administrator Heinig and Public Works Director Olson, and would make any concessions required.

Patrick Barlow spoke in appreciation of the Village working towards an agreeable Fire Board contract, and remarked that he is perplexed by the personnel issues in the Department. Barlow commented that he appreciated efforts to help resolve Fire Department issues, to assure protection of lives and property in the community.

**Minutes**

Dawn Kulcinski/Doug Jorstad motioned to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2015, Board meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Chuck Olson/Dawn Kulcinski motioned to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2015, Special Board meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Rich Anderson/Chuck Olson motioned to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2015, Special Board meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

**Planning Commission**

Rich Anderson/Dawn Kulcinski motioned to approve the petition to rezone parcel 14-87-18 (5.92 acres) from B-2 (Commercial District) to R-5 (Multi-Family District). The motion carried with Proctor, Ebner, Jorstad, Kulcinski, Johnston and Anderson in favor; Olson abstained.

Doug Jorstad/Dawn Kulcinski motioned to approve Final Plat and Developer's Agreement for the First Addition to Nicolai Flats subdivision by developer WI Development LLC. The motion carried with Proctor, Ebner, Jorstad, Kulcinski, Johnston and Anderson in favor; Olson abstained.

### **County Supervisor's Report**

County Supervisor Barlow stated that the County has been working on final approval of bonds for ongoing County projects, and that the County levy overall will be reduced slightly with most expense items being flat-lined in 2016.

### **Shared Ride Committee**

Trustee Anderson reported that ridership had decreased by 240 (from 1492 to 1252 from August 2014 to August 2015). Anderson mentioned that the Shared Ride program equipment and staff are back at full capacity; he also updated the Board on the current status of West Salem's participation in the program.

### **Park, Recreation and Library Committee**

Nothing to report.

### **Law Enforcement Committee**

Police Chief McHugh stated that as of February 1, 2016, Lt. Shane Collins would be promoted as his replacement to the Chief position. McHugh also commented that the Police Commission was in the process of selecting a new Lieutenant for 2016. Trustee Johnston thanked Chief McHugh for his many years of service.

### **Public Works Committee**

Bill Ebner/Rich Anderson motioned to approve contract for Sunset Drive reconstruction design with Cedar Corporation in the amount of \$25,000.00. The motion carried unanimously.

Bill Ebner/Rich Anderson motioned to approve contract for asphalt patching with Mathy Construction in the amount of \$9,314.25. The motion carried unanimously.

Bill Ebner/Chuck Olson motioned to approve change order #2 – 2014 demolition, for 610 Main Street South with Rybold Excavation in the amount of \$13,500.00. Trustee Olson asked that Habitat for Humanity be contacted prior to the demolition. Trustee Ebner mentioned that this cost would be taken from reserves. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Finance and Personnel Committee**

Bill Ebner/Chuck Olson motioned to act on Finance & Personnel agenda items without Committee recommendation due to lack of quorum at the October meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Doug Jorstad/Chuck Olson motioned to recommend payment of the claims as presented for a total amount of \$578,618.98. The motion carried unanimously.

Doug Jorstad/Rich Anderson motioned to approve Operators' Licenses for Cassandra L. Lohse – Smokey's Bar & Grill and Jennifer M. Newmann – Holmen American Legion. The motion carried unanimously.

Rich Anderson/Doug Jorstad motioned to approve contract extension with Brian Weber for the services of Village Attorney. The motion carried unanimously.

Steve Johnston/Doug Jorstad motioned to table action on changing the time for the Village Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

**Municipal Court Update**

Nothing to report.

**Fire Board Report**

Next meeting will be held on October 21<sup>st</sup>.

**President's Report**

Informational items only.

**Other Items before the Board**

Chief McHugh noted that Officer's Zwicker and Kind were attending a local hero banquet tonight where they both would be receiving an award for life-saving efforts.

Park & Recreation Director Brogan inquired if the November Park & Recreation Committee meeting could be changed from November 4<sup>th</sup> to November 11<sup>th</sup> due to a conference he and Assistant Director Geary would be attending.

Trustee Anderson congratulated Lt. Collins on his promotion to Chief in 2016, as well as thanking Chief McHugh for his many years of service.

Trustee Johnston thanked Director Brogan and his staff for a very busy and successful summer.

Attorney Weber thanked the Board for the opportunity to continue as the Village Attorney; he remarked that he was glad to be a part of the exciting things going on in Holmen.

Bill Ebner/Doug Jorstad motioned to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Angela A. Hornberg, Village Clerk/Treasurer