

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Gary Grolle at 5:34 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Upon Roll Call the following members were present: Trustees Susan Bernstein, Kevin Conlon, Dan Aronson, and President Grolle. Absent: Trustee Natalie Alvarez. Also Present: Chief Cole, Clerk Lisa McClure and Ad Hoc Finance Education Committee Chair Becky Gallagher.

3. Discussion and Possible Action:

a. **Res. No. 2018-R-24:** Resolution 2018-R-24 was updated to include a CSM of the parcel per the recommendation of Attorney Schuk at the August 6<sup>th</sup> regular board meeting. A motion was made by Trustee Bernstein, seconded by Trustee Conlon to approve Resolution 2018-R-24 as recommended by the Planning & Zoning Commission, a voice vote was unanimous, the motion carried.

b. **2019 Budget Process:** Trustee Bernstein made a motion, seconded by Trustee Conlon to go out of order from the agenda and move 2019 budget process to first, a voice vote was unanimous, motion carried. Board members looked over the preliminary equalized values report from the Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue. President Grolle asked Chief Cole if he had started on the equalized value information; Chief Cole stated the information had only been received today so he hadn't had a chance yet.

Trustee Bernstein presented her thoughts on different budgeting process ideas; a copy of which is on file in the Clerk's office.

c. **Proposed Tax Levy Increase Referendum:**

Becky Gallagher re-iterated her committee's budget findings as had been presented at the August 6<sup>th</sup> board meeting. A copy of the committee's survey questionnaire and tax referendum option ideas were distributed to the Board, copies are on file in the Clerk's office.

Justin Fischer from RM Baird was in attendance to answer questions and explain the need for a referendum to stop the cycle of borrowing and pay down the Village's debt.

Trustee Aronson offered his support of moving forward with taking necessary steps to solve the budget/debt problem.

All referendum/loan options were thoroughly discussed with input from the Board, Ms. Gallagher, Mr. Fischer and audience members, most of who were in support of a referendum.

A motion was made by Trustee Aronson, seconded by Trustee Conlon to send a tax referendum to the County for certification, to appear on this November's ballot, asking for

\$600,000 per year for the next 5 years. A roll call vote was conducted, Grolle yes, Aronson yes, Bernstein yes, Conlon yes; the motion carried.

d. Water Rate Study:

President Grolle brought forth **Resolution 2018-R-( )**, a resolution to reconsider the 2018 PILOT rate and resolving to review the PILOT rate again in 2019 and setting the PILOT rate to zero for 2018. Discussion was had over the status of the current application that had been withdrawn at the public hearing on July 25<sup>th</sup>, as well as when to re-visit the PILOT rate and potentially re-start the application process in 2019. A motion was made by President Grolle, seconded by Trustee Aronson to approve the resolution as presented, a voice vote was unanimous, the motion carried.

4. Adjournment: A motion was made by Trustee Conlon, seconded by Trustee Bernstein to adjourn the meeting at 7:55pm. A voice vote was unanimous; the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted;

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Lisa A. McClure  
Interim Village Clerk