

VILLAGE OF OSCEOLA

REGULAR BOARD MEETING PROCEEDINGS

The Village of Osceola Board met for a Regular meeting on July 13th, 2021 at the Village Hall/Discovery Center. Village President Jeromy Buberl called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Buberl, Brad Lutz, Holly Walsh, Joel West, Bruce Gilliland, Deb Rose, Van Burch

Staff present: Benjamin Krumenauer, Frances Duncanson, Ron Pedrys, Todd Waters, Paul Elfstrom, Shelby Friendshuh

Others present: Angela Popenhagen, Germaine Ross, Kyle Weaver, Lisa Curry, Roxy & Tim Patterson, Jane Maki, Scott Tinney, Jen Lutz

Motion by West and seconded by Rose to approve the agenda

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Motion by Gilliland and seconded by Walsh to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting dated June 8, 2021 meeting

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Public input and ideas (Limit 5 minutes per speaker)

Reports:

Administration-Krumenauer: There has been no additional response from the Millpond Learning Foundation on signage. The Finance Committee is working on the Village Financial Management plan. Krumenauer will attend the August Town of Osceola meeting to present on the grant award and joint Simmon Drive project. The Village Utilities are at 51% of revenue for the year. Krumenauer commented on leaking water expenses not being waived. We received the first half of AARPA funding, with the second half coming in June of 2022.

Police-Pedrys: Commented on items such as tractors and tents behind several local businesses that are not in compliance with Village ordinances and should be removed. They got a break in the case of the damage at Oakey Park with three juveniles identified. Pedrys is getting cost estimates from DPW Waters for the damage caused to bring to the court system to ask for reimbursement to the Village. The 2017 squad car is stripped and on the Public Surplus Auction website auction with a bid already. The Department completed the Emergency Vehicle Operation Course in June with our own instructor, Officer Gada. They are in the hiring process for a full-time officer with interviews coming up.

Public Works-Waters: The Department has been working on a variety of tasks including street and equipment repair. The heat has fractured some curb and they were able to deal with it internally. They have been spending a considerable amount of time on graffiti cleanup. As time permits they are fixing and constructing fence at the Village shop, creating a nicer space with improved security. The HVAC controls on the upper level of the Discovery Center continue to be challenging.

Utilities-Krumenauer: The report is in the packet. It was noted the water utility has a higher-than-normal usage but no capacity issues. Flushing was halted so sediment was not stirred up; stressing the equipment.

Library-Friendshuh: Last month was working on reopening. They are fully open, but under limited hours to be able to keep the drive through open. Act 150 requests were sent to the counties. June was the best month since before the pandemic began with 81 new patrons and 154 new items. They have resumed in person book clubs and are holding more programs. Walsh asked about expansion back to Saturday hours, Friendshuh stated that due to staffing issues this would most likely resume the end of summer. Buberl asked about signage proposed by the Millpond group. Friendshuh responded she received an email, and it was on the Library Board agenda. The Library will be going through the Village Board for approvals. The Millpond group was notified, and Friendshuh has not heard anything back from them since.

Fire-Elfstrom: There were six runs total last month, with five in the Village. Hangar inspections are in compliance with the exception of one owner. Two members completed the firefighter one state certification. The floor in the meeting room is complete, with the Department logo in the center. It has taken 3-4 years of fundraising to pay for. The annual pump testing is complete, and the Chevy is scheduled for repairs. They worked on the roof air unit that was damaged by lightning last summer.

Building Inspection-Krumenauer: Twelve permits were issued in June with three of those new home constructions. Total permit value is estimated to be \$815,517.00. We are on track with last year. Maintenance type projects are fewer, probably due to material cost and hesitant spending.

Chamber of Commerce/Mainstreet-Ross: They are starting to meet in person. The Harvest Bazaar is in planning mode, and they are reconsidering Brewfest for an October Event. They are taking new images for the website and advertising using a professional photographer.

Other business – discussion and possible action re:

Motion by Rose and seconded by Gilliland to appoint Roxy Patterson to the Room Tax Commission for a three-year term

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Hauge Dental would like a 40x40 expansion with first floor office space and lower-level storage and locker. Both the Historic Preservation and Planning Commission reviewed and approved the project. The rear lot is not addressed at this time but is expected to include private and public parking.

Motion by Lutz and seconded by West to approve the site plan review for expansion at 108 Chieftain Street for Hauge Dental

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

This is a large expansion on the east side of the structure. It includes additional showroom space, a second entrance, concrete sidewalk extensions, and façade improvements. This was reviewed and approved by the Historic Preservation & Planning Commissions.

Motion by Rose and seconded by Walsh to approve the site plan review at 206 N. Cascade Street for Coming Home with conditions as listed.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Permits and Licenses:

Motion by West and seconded by Lutz to approve a Class B Beer license for Oyster, LLC d/b/a St. Croix Valley Inn with Timothy Patterson, Agent at 305 River Street

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Motion by Rose and seconded by Walsh to approve a Temporary Class B Beer & Wine license for the Osceola Chamber of Commerce for Osceola Harvest Bazaar on September 11, 2021

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Motion by West and seconded by Rose to approve temporary operator licenses for Kristen Murphy, Amanda Simenstad, and Paul Smith for the Osceola Harvest Bazaar on September 11, 2021.

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Motion by Walsh and seconded by Gilliland to approve regular operator licenses for Wesley Berg at Osceola Lanes, James Husnik at Valley Spirits/BP, and Jessica Johnson at PYS

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Motion by West and seconded by Burch to approve Special Events permit for the 2021 Osceola Community Fair/Parade, Scott Tinney, Agent

Ayes-6 Nays-0 Abstain-Lutz Motion carried

Motion by Rose and seconded by Gilliland to approve the Special Events permits for 2021 Wheels & Wings, Kyle Weaver, Agent

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Motion by Rose and seconded by Burch to approve Conditional Obstruction Permits for the following:

- i. Adoray's Treasures From The Heart
- ii. Coming Home Osceola, LLC
- iii. Karita's
- iv. Uptown Gifts, LLC
- v. The Looking Glass
- vi. The Sleepy Thicket

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Motion by West and seconded by Lutz to approve Croixland Leather Works consistent with Village Code.

Ayes-5 Nays-2 (Burch, Walsh) Motion carried

Motion by Lutz and seconded by Rose to approve the Board, Committee, Commission and Agency Reports at listed

- a) Police & Fire Committee January 29, 2021 (Commission approved June 24, 2021)
- b) Planning Commission May 4, 2021 (Commission approved July 6, 2021)
- c) Library Board May 13, 2021 (L. Board approved June 10, 2021)
- d) Historic Preservation May 14, 2021 (Commission approved July 7, 2021)
- e) Airport Commission May 17, 2021 (Commission approved June 21, 2021)
- f) Admin & Finance June 4, 2021 (Committee approved July 2, 2021)

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Motion by West and seconded by Rose to approve vouchers payable

Ayes-7 Nays-0 Motion carried

Discussion of and action on any other appropriate items

:President Buberl adjourned the meeting at 7:59 p.m.