

**VILLAGE OF BIRON REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MINUTES – JANUARY 11, 2016**

The January 11, 2016 Regular Village Board meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Jon Evenson at the Biron Municipal Center. The meeting was properly posted according to Wisconsin State Statutes.

PRESENT: Trustees: Mark Honkomp, Tammy Steward, Bob Walker, Dan Muleski, Susan Carlson and June Siegler were present. Also present: Public Works Supervisor Bill Vruwink, Treasurer Pam Witt, MSA representative Daniel Borchardt

MINUTES: Minutes were reviewed from the Regular Board Meeting held December 14, 2015. **Motion** Siegler, second Carlson to approve the minutes as presented. M.C.

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE: Chairperson Bob Walker reporting. The committee met January 6. All bills were in order. Two property tax overpayments were approved for reimbursement. **Motion** by Muleski, second Honkomp to accept the Finance & Budget Committee report. M.C.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Pam Witt reporting. The totals reported to the Finance Committee are: receipts for December 2015 were \$2,393,355.78. Expenses were \$764,284.55. General checking account bills were paid on check #~~ç~~ 18517-18673 with 9 auto pays to pay the State, IRS, Deferred Comp and State Retirement for payroll deductions. A list of all December bills was included for the board to review. Village Non-Lapsing Fund \$561,987.11. **Water Utility:** Checking \$84,057.83 Money Market \$447,944.07. Water bills were paid on check #~~ç~~ 3750-3760. **Wastewater Department:** Checking \$57,331.99. Non-Lapsing Fund \$14,353.43. Wastewater bills were paid on check #~~ç~~ 2794-2800. A list of all checks paid for water & wastewater was included for the board to review. **Motion** by Muleski, second Steward to accept the Treasurer's report. M.C.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Chairperson Tammy Steward reporting. The petition for annual certification election for General Teamsters Union Local 662 has been filed with the WERC. **Motion** by Evenson, second Honkomp to accept the Personnel Committee report. M.C.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT: Chairperson Dan Muleski reporting. Information received for street lights on Shore Acres Drive will be reviewed at the next meeting. **Public Works Supervisor's Update** – The Public Works Supervisor reported the crew has been busy snowplowing and salting. Christmas tree pickup is ongoing to the end of January. **Motion** Siegler, second Carlson to approve the Public Works Committee report. M.C.

WATER UTILITY UPDATE: Chairperson Susan Carlson reporting. The committee did not meet in December. The Water Superintendent reported water is at 46 degrees.

SAFETY & WELFARE COMMITTEE REPORT: Committee Chairperson June Siegler reporting. The furnace in the Fire Department has been repaired and needs to be replaced. Discussion occurred about all furnace replacements at the Municipal Center. The new fence around the tennis court is installed. The soda machine outside the Municipal Center will be removed due to electrical issues. The Village recycling ordinance is being revised and will be presented to the Board at a future meeting for approval. **Motion** by Honkomp, second Evenson to approve the Safety and Welfare Committee report. M.C.

WASTEWATER COMMISSION REPORT: Commission member Tammy Steward reporting. *Note: The Waste Water Treatment Plant is operated & staffed by the City of Wisconsin Rapids. One member of the Village of Biron Board of Trustees is an acting member of the Commission.* Minutes from the January 6, 2016 wastewater commission meeting were available for review. **Motion** Muleski, second Honkomp to accept the Wastewater Treatment Commission report. M.C.

MSA UPDATE: Dan Borchardt, MSA Project Engineer, reported Dan DeBoer of Earth, Inc. contacted him about two properties that had issues from the S. Biron Drive project. One property had sewer backup issues that are now resolved. Another is unhappy with his driveway and some panels may be replaced in the Spring. A meeting was held January 11 with representatives from Verso, Catalyst and the Village. An invoice is being disputed on the S. Biron Drive project. Nothing has been resolved yet. A meeting needs to be scheduled for Gateway Park final features. There is grant money available through June 30.

MSA AMENDMENT NO. 10: Borchardt presented an Amendment authorizing additional construction observation beyond contract budget as a result of construction (substantial) completion exceeding the contract dates of November 2-20, 2015 in the amount of \$7,500. **Motion** Evenson, second Walker to approve payment of Amendment No 10. M.C.

PRESIDENT'S UPDATE: The Department of Transportation notified the Village of planned reconstruction of Highway 54/County U intersection, to be closed approximately three weeks this summer. The Board reviewed a letter from Wood County stating litigation will not be pursued for financial consultant services from 2008 regarding the business park. The Village has assessment rolls from the early 1900s. It was suggested considering building a case for a rotating display for residents to view. A proposal from Marketing Edge was reviewed and a request for a new incentive-based proposal will be made for future Board consideration. **Motion** Muleski, second Walker to approve the President's Update. M.C.
ADJOURN – Motion Honkomp, second Walker to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. M.C.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Arndt, Clerk

Approved by Biron Board of Trustees

Date: _____

Signed: _____
Jon T. Evenson, President