

Village of Lena
117 E. Main St., Lena, WI 54139
Village Board Minutes
February 15, 2021 6:30 p.m.

Meeting was called to order.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call: Craig LeFebre, Terry Hinds, Linda Hinds, Judy Patenaude and Steve Marquardt.

Also present: Resident Robert Borchert, Pauline Borchert, David Konop and Charlene Meier.

Absent: Nick Heise-excused.

Approval of the agenda: Motion was made by L. Hinds/Patenaude to approve the agenda. Motion was voted and carried.

Approve of the minutes from January 18, 2021: Motion was made by L. Hinds/Patenaude to approve the minutes from January 18, 2021. Motion was voted and carried.

Open Forum: None.

Village Board Trustee Resignation: President Marquardt read the letter of resignation from Larry Belongia effective immediately. Motion was made by Patenaude/L. Hinds to appoint Pauline Borchert to fill the Belongia vacancy/term (1 year) which ends in April 2022. Motion was voted and carried. The Board welcome new Trustee Pauline Borchert. Clerk read the Oath of Office to Borchert.

Finance/Personnel: Monthly financials were reviewed. T. Hinds provided a synopsis from the February Finance/Personnel meeting as informational. Kerber/Rose Engagement Letter regarding TIF cost \$3000-\$4000 – Motion was made by T. Hinds/L. Hinds to approve the engagement letter for the TIF not to exceed a cost of \$4000. Code of Ordinance updates are in processes. A sub committee under Plan Commission will meet to tackle the Zoning Ordinance.

Plan Commission: Marquardt updated the Village Board regarding the status of the Wooden Shoe grant.

Public Works: January utility report was informational for the Board. L. Hinds/Marquardt informed the Board regarding the leak on S. Rosera St. (by laundromat). New pole flags will be needed for spring. Approximately 45 poles on Main Street have flags. Discussion followed regarding a utility vehicle for Public Works. There were no new updates regarding the facilities plan and W. Maple Street. Updating the street poles was discussed also.

Public Safety: Police monthly report was informational. Part Time Officer's resignation – Officer Alexis Daw and MaKayla Bushmaker resignations were read. Motion was made by Marquardt/L. Hinds to accept the resignations from Daw/Bushmaker. Motion was voted and carried. New Hires – Discussion followed regarding the hiring process. Motion was made by Patenaude/L. Hinds to hire Samuel Lemmens and Elizabeth Hearley as part time officers upon their graduation. Motion was voted and carried. Clerk will check prior minutes for clarification on the hiring process for part time officers. Sex Offender Forfeiture Revision – Motion was made by Patenaude/L. Hinds to approve the forfeiture change as follows “subject to current citation fees.” Roll call: LeFebre aye; T. Hinds aye; L. Hinds aye; Patenaude aye; Borchert aye; Marquardt aye. Motion was voted and carried. Fire Dept. Tender – waiting

for the Fire Department explanation as to why they prefer the Kenworth chassis. Siren update – in process. Nothing to report on the high meter read. Vehicle maintenance for the Fire Department was discussed.

Promotions: L. Hinds reported that the Lena Area Rummages are scheduled for July 16 & 17th. Also Taste of Fall will be set for Saturday September 25th.

Weeds: Nothing to report. Marquardt expressed concerns regarding dumpsters on Main Street and old vehicles in parking lot by the Mathey Building.

Recycling: T. Hinds discussed the vacancy. An application was received from Russell Glime. Motion was made by L. Hinds/Patenaude to allow the Recycling Committee the authority to hire whomever they deem acceptable. Motion was voted and carried.

Community Involvement: This item was informational.

Village Complaints/Concerns: None reported at this time.

Presentation of Bills: Motion was made by L. Hinds/Patenaude to approve the monthly bills of \$344,220.50 and to include the last payroll for February. Roll call vote: LeFebre aye; T. Hinds aye; L. Hinds aye; Patenaude aye; Borchert aye; Marquardt aye. Motion was voted and carried.

Permits/Correspondence/Miscellaneous: Motion was made by LeFebre/L. Hinds to approve the following permits: Operator's license for Don Demney-Lena Motor Sports Club; Jamie Willams; gathering permits for Lena Motor Sports Club May 21 & 22 SXS Race and July 31, August 1st Dirt City Off Road. Motion was voted and carried.

Announcements/General Information/Set Next Meeting Date: March 15, 2021. Clerk will check with Village Attorney regarding marijuana sales.

Adjournment: Motion was made by LeFebre/Patenaude to adjourn. Motion was voted and carried at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene J. Meier
Clerk/Treasurer