



VILLAGE OF SOLON SPRINGS

Public Budget Hearing, Vacating Waterbury Hearing and Regular Village Board Meeting

Solon Springs Community Center November 9, 2020

11523 S Business Hwy 53 in Solon Springs, WI 54873

A. CALL TO ORDER

Ben Evans, Village President, called the monthly meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. RECITAL OF THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL/EXCUSED ABSENCES

Clerk called roll call of Board Members: Ben Evans, Jonathon Brostowitz via Facetime, Melissa Johnson and Todd Gilbert. Others present: Clerk Kathy Burger, Treasurer Becky Nordskog; Village Assessor Brad Theien and Judd Kern.

Public Hearing on the proposed 2021 Budgets for the Village of Solon Springs and Village Sewer Department.

Copies of the budgets were emailed to the board. The Village general budget reflects adding the full \$20,000 levy increase we need to generate in 2021 to be able to make the next planned payment on the fire truck. The remaining \$5,254 increase in the levy is in our net new construction. Evans opened Public Hearing item for public comment. There were no comments, and the hearing was closed at 7:06 p.m.

Motion by Johnson second by Gilbert to approve the 2021 Village of Solon Springs Wastewater Budget and the 2021 Village of Solon Springs General budget as presented. Motion carried unanimously. The total General budget will be \$437,878.04. The tax levy for 2021 will be \$255,330.00. The total Sewer budget is \$254,722.50. Motion carried.

A resolution to vacate a portion of Waterbury Avenue was considered:

The portion of the street which is the subject of this hearing and resolution is more particularly described as follows:

1. Streets/Alleys vacated

All that part of platted Waterbury Avenue lying between Lot 4, Block 9, White Birch Division, Tax Parcel ID Number SS-181-00442-01 and, Lot 5 in Block 10, Tax Parcel ID Number SS-181-00449-00 White Birch Division, in the Village of Solon Springs, Douglas County, Wisconsin.

Evans opened the Public Hearing item for public comment. There were no comments, and the hearing was closed at 7:13 p.m. Motion by Gilbert second by Brostowitz to approve the vacating of part of Waterbury Avenue. Motion carried.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motioned by Gilbert second by Johnson to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

E. BUSINESS BY PUBLIC – None

F. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Gilbert second by Johnson to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

1. Approval of minutes of budget meeting and regular monthly board meeting 10/26/20.
2. Treasurer's reports for October (Profit & Loss & Reconciliation Detail).

Interest applied to unpaid 2019 Personal Property Taxes: Jimmie's Ice Cream Shop
3. Approval of payments for General fund checking and Sewer fund checking; all listed on the Expenditure report dated 11/09/20
4. Correspondence received since the October 26, 2020 regular board meeting to be acknowledged and placed on file: none
5. Approval of Zoning permit applications:
 1. Eric & Julie Fromm – replace siding, kitchen remodel and bump out

Licensing:

1. Approval of Operators Licenses issued: Melissa Christopherson – St. Croix Inn
2. Consideration and approval of published liquor license applications: none
3. Consideration and approval of Class “B”/Picnic license application: none
4. Consideration and approval of cigarette license – none

G. BUSINESS BY THE BOARD:

1 Unfinished Business:

- 1) Library restroom - will wait until the spring to come up with a plan for fixing the sidewalk area and the restroom.
- 2) Ballfield lights update - no extra parts or documentation on the lighting at the ballfield. Benson Electric has a truck that can go high enough to repair the lights. Evans will contact them before winter.
- 3) Quiet Zone update - the board reviewed the letter Theien drafted regarding the railroad quiet zone discussion and approved sending it.

New Business:

- 1) December meeting and expenditures - Gilbert will be available to sign checks since there will not be a December meeting.
- 2) Hazard pay - discussion on hazard pay compensation for clerk for providing direct face-to-face contact for absentee voting for the last 4 elections. Grant was applied for and received to cover hazard pay for election staff. Evans proposed \$1 an hour compensation for the last 4 months. Motion by Gilbert second by Brostowitz to approve hazard pay. Motion carried.
- 3) Nomination papers available December 1, 2020 for village president and one trustee position term ending 4/2021.

H. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Administrative Committee – no updates
2. Buildings and Ground Committee – no updates
3. Public Works/Sanitary Sewer Committee – \$1800 charged in 3rd quarter late fees and \$23,550.00 in delinquent sewer to the tax roll. Evans discussed the letter received by USCLSD. Gilbert will talk to Gary to see if we can give permission to Fleetzoom to get them the flow meter reports they are requesting.

I. REPORTS BY LOCAL OR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS OR COMMISSIONS

2. Upper St Croix Lake Association – no updates
3. Fire Commission –no updates
4. Community Center Commission – no updates
5. Airport Commission – no updates
6. Development Commission – Theien said the development commission approved donating \$2,000 to the village to go towards the new dock.
7. Planning Commission – no updates
8. Recycling Commission – no updates

J. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Johnson, second by Brostowitz to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

K. Burger, Municipal Clerk

Board approval date: _____