

CASSVILLE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
December 11, 2107

President Williams called the regular meeting of the Cassville Village Board to order at 7:00 P.M. Roll call: Harbaugh, Vogt, Williams, Cooper, Lau and Ralph—present; Hauk-absent. Also in attendance were Clerk-Marlene Esser, Police Chief-Brent McDonald, Utility Supervisor-Josh Mergen, Tourism Coordinator-Jen Schmitz, Donna Thiesen, Richard Markham, Karl Keicher and Joe Kremer.

Ralph made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 13th Budget Hearing and Village Board meeting, second by Lau, motion carried. A motion was made by Ralph and seconded by Harbaugh to approve the vouchers for payment; motion carried.

The State of Wisconsin recently passed legislation permitting ATV/UTV's to travel on State roads within a municipality. Joe Kremer of the ATV/UTV Club explained if only State Hwy 133 (Amelia Street) is opened as a trail, that signage would be needed at every street intersection with Amelia Street. He requested that Board members consider opening all roads within the Village as then signage would only be needed at the Village limits and, also, residents would have easier access to the trail. Discussion was held concerning speed limits, children at play, a 6-month trial basis, ease of patrolling and residents traveling by ATV/UTV to the trail. Kremer stated that signage must be used even for individuals to travel to the trail. Harbaugh made a motion to open all Village streets as an ATV/UTV trail. The motion failed for lack of a second. The consensus of the Board was to confer with the Village Attorney at the January meeting.

In the absence of a Delta 3 Engineering representative, President Williams presented Temperley Excavating Inc. Payment Application #6 for the Wyota Street/Wisconsin Lift Station project. Williams reported that the Wisconsin Street Lift Station is up and running, the old lift station wet well and dry pit are being abandoned and storm sewer is complete. Temperley still has clean up and driveway graveling to be completed, with landscaping and asphalt driveway completion in the spring. Ralph made a motion to approve payment of \$81,574.60 to Temperley, with a second by Vogt. Roll call vote: Vogt-yes; Lau-yes; Williams-yes; Harbaugh-yes; Cooper-yes; Hauk-absent; Ralph-yes. Motion carried.

Tourism and Promotion Report:

Coordinator Schmitz stated that 'Christmas in Cassville' which was held November 25th was a success. The Tourism Committee voted to again hold the 2018 'Christmas in Cassville' on the Saturday of Thanksgiving weekend. Schmitz is working with James Schnieder of the UW Extension office on a 'first impression tour' for volunteers from the area to travel to and critique other communities. Also, Schmitz is working on the website survey, budget, scheduling 'City of Cassville' towboat for a stop/ tour in 2018 and responding to phone calls and emails. She has attended Grant County Economic Development, Village Board, Cassville Businesses and Tourism meetings. Discussion was held concerning better communications between the Cassville Businesses members and Village Board and Committees. Ralph made a motion to appoint Jamie Duvall to the Tourism Committee replacing Eleanor Mumm and it was seconded by Lau. Roll call vote: Ralph-yes; Vogt-yes; Hauk-absent; Harbaugh-yes; Cooper-yes; Lau-yes; Williams-yes; motion carried.

President's Report:

Cooper made a motion, with a second by Lau, to approve a \$24,000 2-year loan from Royal Bank for a wood chipper utilized by the Street Department. Roll call vote: Harbaugh; yes; Hauk-absent; Vogt-yes; Lau-yes; Williams-yes; Cooper-yes; Ralph-yes; motion carried.

Lau made a motion, with a second by Ralph, to adopt a resolution to obligate the Village to pay all State and County Taxes required by law to the County Treasurer if the local Village Treasurer fails to do such. Roll call vote: Lau-yes; Vogt-yes; Harbaugh-yes; Williams-yes; Hauk-absent; Ralph-yes; Cooper-yes; motion carried.

Ralph made a motion to appoint Tracy Bausch, Eleanor Mumm, Ed Preston, Elaine Gehde and Jen Schmitz as Chief Election Inspectors to a 2-year term-- 2018 through 2019.

Williams noted that nomination papers for the 2018 Spring Election need to be filed with the Village Clerk by 5 p.m. Jan. 2, 2018.

Williams requested that Board members check out the street light by Royal Bank because a new LED light has been installed. If acceptable, new lights will be ordered and installed in all street lights in the business district. Williams stated that the Village should save money because of the more efficient LED lights and he will work with Alliant Energy concerning an adjustment on the unmetered flat rate monthly cost.

Committee Report:

Airport & Finance--

The Airport Committee is recommending to the Village Board that the airport hangar lease be increased from 25 cents per square foot to 30 cents per square foot. Cooper made a motion to increase the hangar lease change to 30 cents per

square foot for 3 years and Lau seconded it. Roll call vote: Harbaugh-yes; Williams-yes; Cooper-yes; Vogt-yes; Hauk-absent; Lau-yes; Ralph-yes; motion carried.

Williams also noted the approval by the Airport Committee for a resident to purchase a hangar for storing equipment for compost use that the resident is pursuing as a business venture. More details will be forthcoming at a future meeting.

Water & Sewer—

In the absence of Hauk, Williams presented information that Hauk has obtained for an electoral upgrade at the well for material. Hauk is stilling checking into additional material pricing as well as labor costs.

Financial Report:

Esser reported Village cash on hand \$1,864,325 and Utility cash on hand \$375,268.

When the new boat docks were installed in 2013, money from Capital Improvements was utilized with the condition that the Boat Launch pass funds would be used to repay the Capital Improvements account. Money from the Boat Launch passes has been applied annually for repayment. The amount yet due is \$8,860.53 and will be paid off entirely this month. Also, unused budgeted monies in equipment purchases will be put into money market replacement accounts. Ralph made a motion, with a second by Cooper, to deposit \$33,100 in Fire, \$1,250 in Police and \$2,900 in the Clerk/Municipal Building Replacement Accounts, \$141,800 in Capital Improvements and also to repay Capital Improvement account from Boat Launch passes. Roll call vote: Hauk-absent; Cooper-yes; Ralph-yes; Vogt-yes; Williams-yes; Lau-yes; Harbaugh-yes; motion carried.

Motion by Cooper, second by Lau to approve the Treasurer Report; motion carried by voice vote.

Ralph made a motion, with a second by Cooper, to convene to closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1) (g) of the Wisconsin Statutes for conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved regarding abatement of animals. The motion carried by voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned in Closed Session, with no return to Open Session.

Marlene Esser, Clerk