

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**VILLAGE OF WORTH**  
March 7, 2023

**CALL TO ORDER**

Village President Werner called the regular meeting of the Village of Worth Village Board to order on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present and responding to roll call were the following:

Village President	Mary Werner
Village Clerk	Bonnie M. Price
Village Trustees:	Kevin Ryan
	Brad Urban
	Rich Dziedzic
	Laura Packwood

Also Present:

Village Attorney	Greg Jones
Building Commissioner	Bruce Zartler
Superintendent of Public Works	Ed Urban Jr.
Chief of Police	Tim Denton
Finance Director	Kelly Zabinski
Village Engineer	Mike Spolar

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance

**REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS**

**VILLAGE PRESIDENT**

President Werner announced:

- Fish Fry Fridays at Waters Edge and the Marris Meyer American Legion Post.
- Marris Meyer American Legion will be having a Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner on March 11 from 2-7 p.m.
- Marris Meyer American Legion Post will have a Singing and Swinging night on March 18, tickets are on sale now.

**VILLAGE CLERK**

Clerk Price announced the upcoming election on Tuesday, April 4. The board meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 5. Early voting begins March 20 and ends on April 3. The early voting sites have Saturday and Sunday hours.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Trustee Ryan stated that on the consent agenda is to approve the bill list dated March 7, 2023 in the amount of \$195,713.38. Without any objection, this will remain on the consent agenda.

Trustee Ryan stated that on the consent agenda is to approve the payroll for the month of February in the amount of \$322,209.04. Without any objection, this will remain on the consent agenda.

Trustee Ryan reminded the department heads the budgets are due to Finance Director Zabinski by April 1

#### PUBLIC SAFETY

In the absence of Trustee Kats, President Werner announced the Worth FOP Golf Outing on June 17 at the Water's Edge Golf Club. Proceeds will go to District 127.

President Werner stated that the Worth copsicles had their Polar Plunge they raised \$6,650.00, and they are still accepting donations.

#### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE/BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

No report.

#### BUILDING/LICENSING/ORDINANCES

Trustee Dziedzic stated that on the consent agenda is to adopt Ordinance 2023-04 An ordinance authorizing the disposal of personal property. Trustee Dziedzic stated the equipment is public works and is not in use due to the age of the equipment. Without any objection, this will remain on the consent agenda.

Trustee Dziedzic stated that on the consent agenda is to adopt Ordinance 2023-05 An ordinance approving an agreement between the Village of Worth and Lakeshore Recycling Systems, LLC DBA LRS Cleansweep, regarding street sweeping services. Trustee Dziedzic asked Superintendent Urban how many times we will do the street sweeping. Superintendent Urban stated 4 times a year. Without any objection, this will remain on the consent agenda.

Trustee Dziedzic stated that on the consent agenda is to pass Resolution 2023-05 A Resolution for CDBG for infrastructure in the amount of \$400,000.00. Engineer Spolar stated that the money could possibly be used for street, water mains or sewers. The paperwork will be finalized next week. Without any objection, this will remain on the consent agenda.

Trustee Dziedzic announced the Worth Park District will be having a public meeting on March 9 at 7 p.m. at the Terrace Centre regarding the Referendum that will be on the ballot.

#### BUSINESS LICENSES

In the absence of Trustee Muersch Jr., President Werner stated that on the consent agenda is to adopt business license application request from business owner Said Qreini to open Bergman Business LLC (Grocery Store, no cigarettes) to be located at 11015 S. Harlem Ave. This is an existing business. Without any objection, this will remain on the consent agenda.

In the absence of Trustee Muersch Jr., President Werner stated that on the consent agenda is to adopt business license application request from business owner Mohammad Ramahi to open Eve Boutique

Inc. DBA Eve Boutique to be located at 11111 S. Harlem Ave. This business is moving from one location to another. Without any objection, this will remain on the consent agenda.

#### GOLF COURSE

Trustee Packwood stated that the Fish Fry is doing well. The Water's Edge gaming fund balance is \$23,022.00. February Financials, February at Water's Edge Golf Club was a wash we were \$5,000 above budget. Year to date we are a plus \$131,000.00. Purchases are a negative \$29,000.00 which is due to the cost of goods going up, net operating is a positive \$101,000.00 this does not include the management fees.

#### MOTION TO ESTABLISH THE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Trustee Dziejdzic seconded by Trustee Packwood to establish the consent agenda. A roll call followed. Ayes: Trustee Ryan, Urban, Dziejdzic, and Packwood (4). Nays: (0). Absent: Muersch Jr. and Kats (2). Abstain: (0). Motion carried

#### Consent Agenda March 7

Approve the meeting minutes from February 21, 2023

Approve the executive minutes from February 21, 2023

Approve the bill list dated March 7, 2023 in the amount of \$195,713.38

Approve the payroll for the month of February in the amount of \$322,209.04

Adopt Ordinance 2023-04 An ordinance authorizing the disposal of personal property

Adopt Ordinance 2023-05 An ordinance approving an agreement between the Village of Worth and Lakeshore Recycling Systems, LLC DBA LRS Cleansweep, regarding street sweeping services

Pass Resolution 2023-05 A Resolution for CDBG for the 2023 program year in the amount of \$400,000

Adopt Business license application request from business owner Said Qreini to open Bergman Business LLC (Grocery Store, no cigarettes) to be located at 11015 S. Harlem Ave. This license is contingent upon having passed all inspections and being in compliance with all codes and ordinances

Adopt Business license application request from business owner Mohammad Ramahi to open Eve Boutique Inc. DBA Eve Boutique to be located at 11111 S. Harlem Ave. This license is contingent upon having passed all inspections and being in compliance with all codes and ordinances

#### MOTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Trustee Urban seconded by Trustee Dziejdzic to adopt the consent agenda. A roll call followed. Ayes: Ryan, Urban, Dziejdzic, and Packwood (4). Nays: (0). Absent: Muersch Jr. and Kats (2). Abstain: (0). Motion carried

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

Nick Stathopoulos questioned when the water main will be replaced on Preller. President Werner responded this year. Nick asked if the culverts are broke will they be replaced. Engineer Spolar answered not in this project only when we are doing a resurfacing program. Nick stated that there are some signs missing regarding no parking on Depot. President Werner asked Superintendent Urban to look into this.

Trustee Packwood asked if Superintendent Urban could look into signs on 111<sup>th</sup> Street she saw cars driving the wrong way.

A resident questioned the project on Preller and asked if any other water mains will be replaced. President Werner stated that we are working on a main that crosses over Harlem. She also asked about how many streets are resurfaced in a year. Engineer Spolar stated round  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile and we pick the worst street to work on. She also asked if we asked MWRD to help with the cost of the walking trails. President Werner explained we lease that property and we have applied for grants.

## MOTION TO CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Trustee Ryan, seconded by Trustee Dziejdzic to convene to executive session at 7:35p.m. 2 (c)(6) The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body. 2(c)(1) To discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. 2(c)(2) Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.

A roll call followed. Ayes: Trustee Ryan, Packwood, Urban and Dziejdzic (4). Nays: (0). Absent: Muersch Jr. and Kats (2). Abstain: (0). Motion carried.

President Werner recalled the regular board meeting to order at 8:15 p.m.

Motion made by Trustee Packwood, seconded by Trustee Urban to accept the wages for 2022-2023 retroactive to May 1, 2022 as presented to the board. A roll call followed. Ayes: Ryan, Urban, Dziejdzic, and Packwood (4). Nays: (0). Absent: Muersch Jr. and Kats (2). Abstain: (0). Motion carried

## ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Packwood moved seconded by Trustee Ryan to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:17 p.m. A voice vote followed. Motion carried.

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Bonnie M. Price, CMC  
Village Clerk