MINUTES OF THE WALDO WATER & SEWER UTILITY BOARD MONDAY DECEMBER 9, 2019 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

- 1. The meeting was called to order by President Gary Dekker at 7:08 p.m. In attendance were President Dekker, Trustees Chris Madgwick, Mike Hintz and Mark Spitz. Trustee Jerry Hammarlund was absent. Also present were clerk Michelle Brecht, Bruce Neerhof and John Port.
- 2. The meeting was held in compliance with the Open Meetings Law.
- 3. The Minutes of the November 11, 2019 meeting were approved after a motion by Chris Madgwick and a second by Mark Spitz. Mike Hintz abstained because he had been absent for that meeting.
- 4. Bruce Neerhof gave a utility operations report that included the following:
 - All wastewater permit limits were met
 - For a short time, he had increased the Greasezilla in order to control the higher FOG amounts. He is now using a normal dose.
 - Using the new Diamond Maps GIS software, he has been able to map the water and sewer system lines. This coming summer he will use equipment from the Wisconsin Rural Water Association to GPS valves, etc. to locate their exact locations on the map.. The information will be available on a smartphone. One of the benefits of this technology will be locating infrastructure that may be covered in snow with a phone in hand.
- 5. The vouchers were reviewed. Chris Madgwick made a motion to approve checks numbered 8684-8690 for a total of \$7160.49. Mike Hintz seconded. Approved.

The Treasurer's Report was approved after a motion by Chris Madgwick and a second by Mike Hintz. During the review of the report it was asked if the new homes being planned in Waldo would increase the annual Hydrant Fee. (This Hydrant Fee disbursal was approved in the December 9th Village Board meeting held immediately prior to the Utility meeting. The amount is \$20, 793.) Michelle said she would investigate the question. (The PSC Rate Case for Waldo Water and Sewer Utility has set this number as a flat rate. When the time comes for Waldo to apply for a raise in water rates, the PSC engineers may raise the amount. Such a raise in water rates is not imminent.)

- 6. There was no correspondence to share.
- 7. During Updates from the Board, Mark Spitz referenced a recent large fire in Grafton. At this fire they said they couldn't get enough water fast enough to extinguish it. He asked how Waldo would handle such a fire. There was some discussion about how the call would go out to neighboring fire departments. Waldo couldn't fight such a fire alone.
- 8. There was no public comment.
- 9. Motion to adjourn: Mark Spitz. Second: Chris Madgwick. Adjourned at 7:25 p.m.