

**VILLAGE OF WALDO BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES FROM
MARCH 8, 2021**

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. In attendance were President Gary Dekker, Trustees Jerry Hammarlund, Chris Madgwick and Mark Spitz. Mark attended and participated via remote “Zoom” technology. Mike Hintz arrived at 6:28 due to a work conflict. Also in attendance were Clerk Michelle Brecht, Bruce Neerhof, John VanEss, Steve Bunnow and *The Review* correspondent Rodney Schroeter.
2. The meeting was in compliance with the Open Meetings Law.
3. All stood and participated in the Pledge to the Flag.
4. The Minutes of the February 8, 2021 meeting were approved after a motion by Chris Madgwick and a second by Jerry Hammarlund.
5. An Operator’s License was approved for Aden Dulmes upon the request of Kvindlog Services. Certification of appropriate training, background check and payment were in order. Motion to approve: Jerry Hammarlund. Seconded by Chris Madgwick.
6. Resolution 2021-01 was presented and reviewed briefly. This Resolution allows Waldo to cooperate with the County’s updated Hazard Mitigation Plan. About every 5 years the County updates their Plan and the municipalities need to officially choose to follow it. Motion to approve Resolution 2021-01 was made by Chris Madgwick. Seconded by Jerry Hammarlund. Approved unanimously.
7. The Vouchers were reviewed. Of note were the following expenditures:
 - The Village’s 3rd of 4 loan payments to Waldo State Bank (Projects accomplished with this loan were mainly done in 2019). \$32, 600
 - In 2020 we received an election grant for \$5000 from Tech and Civic Life. We did not need all the allotted amount and a voucher for \$2,016.57 was included as a reimbursement to Tech and Civic Life.
 - The Village Hall gas forced air furnace needed repair. It is about 17 years old. The decision was made to repair it for \$966.95 versus replacing it.Motion to approve checks # 15200-#15231 for a total of \$52,777.99 was made by Chris Madgwick and seconded by Jerry Hammarlund. Approved.

The Treasurer’s Report included a Budget to Actual Profit and Loss report and a handout on projected Revenues and Expenses for 2021. Motion to approve the Treasurer’s Reports was made by Chris Madgwick and seconded by Jerry Hammarlund. Approved.
8. Bruce Neerhof shared an Administrator’s Report. It included the following:
 - Another home has been started in Homestead Development. The Development is progressing well.
 - Snow plowing has gone well, and we are hopefully done with snow.
 - Mike Kitzerow has repaired numerous potholes.
 - There will be an emergency management training held in the Village Hall next Wednesday. As part of our dam management requirements, we need to have training that reviews dam failure actions. There will be about 12 people in attendance; all are included in the Mill Pond Dam notification flow chart in case of emergencies. They will include Steve Steinhardt as the County Emergency Management Director, some Waldo Fire Dept. representatives, Mike Kitzerow, Dean Buelke, Bruce, Michelle, Hingham dam operator Steve Openeer, County Planning representatives, Jason Liermann (our police chief) and Jack Parrish (Pres. Of the Mill Pond Improvement Association).

- The former Ladies restroom has been painted by Dean Buelke. Shelving and a utility rack have been installed. It is now a proper janitor closet.
 - A sample draft letter on behalf of the Board was shared. This letter was to be addressed at Agenda Item #10 and #11 but did not need to be reviewed in a Closed Session. Bruce shared that there has been some difficulty with WSOR diesel train engines coming to the Ferrell Gas plant. If the engines are to be left near Waldo, they are to be left outside of the Village limits and not near the residential neighbors. The noise and fuel fumes are very annoying to the downtown Village residents; especially to those who live adjacent to the Ferrell Gas site. Numerous phone calls to their representative have been made and verbal apologies given, but the nuisance continues to happen. Bruce is asking the Board to approve a formal letter such as was handed out, and he will pursue the best possible representative to receive it. A copy will also be reviewed by our lawyer. This is not the fault of Ferrell Gas. It is operation protocol for the WSOR engineers. Bruce is hopeful of reaching the right person for clearer training for their employees. It is not acceptable to have the engines left running in residential neighborhoods. Motion to approve of Bruce pursuing WSOR with a letter as represented: Chris Madgwick. Seconded by Jerry Hammarlund. Approved.
9. The Police Report was reviewed. Waldo statistics on the report were as follows:
 - 3 citations=\$415.80 included 2 parking citations and Operating while suspended & speeding
 - 37 property checks
 - 4 warnings that included no front license plate, illegible license plate, defective taillamp and speeding.
 - 1 complaint was investigated related to winter parking enforcement.
 Waldo was served with 10 hours and 68 miles logged.
 10. Possible Closed Session-Unnecessary as noted above
 11. Reconvene after Closed Session-Unnecessary as noted above
 12. Correspondence from the Clerk included 3 Legislative Newsletters and the *Municipality Magazine*. President Dekker also shared a letter urging the Village to use less pesticides on Village properties and to consider planting white clover.
 13. Reports and Updates from the Board: Mike Hintz asked if the Board may be concerned about the upcoming WFD brat fry (a Drive-Through event March 14th). He wonders if the traffic could become a concern. Would it be feasible to have them move it to the front of the Fire Station?
 14. No public comments offered.
 15. Motion to adjourn: Chris Madgwick Seconded: Jerry Hammarlund. Adjourned at 6:33.