

**VILLAGE OF WALDO BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES FROM
APRIL 12, 2021**

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Gary Dekker. In attendance were President Dekker, Trustees Chris Madgwick, Mike Hintz, and Jerome Hammarlund. Trustee Mark Spitz was absent. Also in attendance were Bruce Neerhof, Michelle Brecht, residents Brian Wimpler, Jenny Bunnow, Steve Bunnow and the *The Review* correspondent Rodney Schroeter.
2. Certification of compliance with the Open Meetings Law was present.
3. All stood and participated in the Pledge to the Flag.
4. The Minutes from the March 3, 2021 were approved after a motion by Chris Madgwick and a second Jerry Hammarlund.
5. Clerk Michelle Brecht shared the results of the recent election and led President Gary Dekker, Jerry Hammarlund, and Steve Bunnow through their Official Oaths. All three will begin these new 2-year terms on April 20, 2021. Gary Dekker thanked Chris Madgwick for his excellent service on the Board. The election results were within one vote difference. He asked him to stay involved as he brings good perspective for the benefit of the Village. President Dekker also congratulated Jerry Hammarlund and welcomed Steve Bunnow.
6. Brian Wimpler was invited to share his proposal. Brian shared that their beef operation is growing and that they would like to purchase the farmland behind Chissy's restaurant, adjacent to the treatment plant. This land is currently being rented by Luedke Farms. Mike Hintz shared that he appreciated the Wimpler's fine beef operation. However, he also shared that he would hate to sell this land because there is no real room for the Village to grow commercial business. The rental income is also better than the taxes we would receive from the land being assessed as agricultural if it were sold. Bruce shared that appraisers have estimated the land's value at \$15,000 per acre if developed as residential and \$45,000 per acre if developed it as commercial. Strategic Business Solutions could give a fair assessment or help us develop it. Chris Madgwick shared that he would like to recommend that Bruce do fact finding research and come back for a closed session discussion next month. Chris Madgwick made a motion to table decisions on Brian Wimpler's proposal until next month. Seconded by Mike Hintz. Unanimously approved.
7. Gary Dekker shared that the Plan Commission needs one Trustee, one 3-year term position volunteer and one 2-year term position volunteer for the new term starting April 30th. He thanked Mike Hintz for volunteering for the one -year Trustee position.
8. Looking toward opening rental options in Village facilities post-Covid, A report titled "New Facility Rental Propositions" was provided to all in attendance. It included the following:
 - Purchase a defogger for sanitizing.
 - PARK: one rental per weekend. Mike Kitzerow will sanitize. Tuesday-Thursday rentals allowed with at least one day in between as this gives Mike time to sanitize. Any exception to the "rule" will be based on Dean's availability. Additional cost added to the Fee Schedule.
 - VILLAGE HALL: 4-H Club will not be charged for use. Between the leaders and the Clerk, the sanitizing will be done. The Board will need to address WFD training events per event. Rental fees will be raised to cover janitorial costs.
 - MEMORIAL HALL: Rental fees will be raised to cover janitorial costs.

Requesting a motion to allow rental applications to be received and scheduled based on the passage of an amended Fee Schedule Resolution. The requested Fee Schedule change is as follows: (See next page)

Facility Rental Fees	Memorial Hall ²	\$100 \$120 per day for residents \$350 \$400 per day for non-residents \$50 set up/take down access
	Security deposit	\$100 residents; \$500 non-residents
	Village Hall ²	\$50 \$120 per day for residents \$85 \$200 per day for non-residents
	Security deposit	\$0 for residents; \$150 for non-residents
	Park ²	\$50 \$100 per day for resident \$85 \$135 per day for non-resident
	Security deposit	\$0 for residents; \$150 for non-residents

Chris Madgwick made a motion to open rental spaces by May 1, 2021 per the new protocol presented. Seconded by Mike Hintz. Approved unanimously.

9. Resolution 2021-02, A resolution amending the Waldo Fee Schedule, was presented. Chris Madgwick made a motion to amend the fees as presented in the facility rental opening propositions. Jerry Hammarlund seconded. Approved unanimously.
10. Resolution 2021-03, A resolution petitioning State Legislature was reviewed. Shared Revenue from portions of the state's sales and income tax revenue growth has not significantly changed since 1997. Today property taxes account for more than twice as much

municipal revenue as state aid. The Legislature is in the midst of State Budget Hearings. Mike Hintz made the motion to approve Resolution 2021-02 and Chris Madgwick seconded it. Unanimously approved. This is a quote from the final paragraph of the Resolution: "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Waldo, Sheboygan County, calls on the Legislature to pass a state budget increasing funding for the shared revenue program and directs the Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to the state legislators representing the Village of Waldo, to Governor Tony Evers and to the League of Wisconsin Municipalities."

11. The Waldo Lions Club traditionally has a Pork Chop Dinner fundraiser at the Memorial Hall in April each year. Last year it was cancelled due to COVID. This year they are requesting the use of the Village Hall kitchen and planning a drive through pork chop dinner using the fire department apron and bay. The Waldo Fire Department will be helping them as they found success doing their brat fry this way in March 2021. They would like to schedule the event for Saturday, May 15, 2021. Motion to approve of the Waldo Lions Club use of Village facilities for the Pork Chop Dinner was made by Mike Hintz. Seconded by Jerry Hammarlund. Approved.
12. The Waldo Lions Club are also considering setting up tables in the Waldo State Bank west side parking lot and offering the sale of beer with a place to eat the drive through meal. Their liquor license application was not received in time for this meeting so the approval was tabled until next month.
13. The Cemetery By-Laws were reviewed. A brief amendment was requested. Currently three cremation urns may be buried on top of a traditional burial. The amendment being requested is to read as follows:
The maximum number of bodies to be buried on a gravesite shall be four (4). There are two possible scenarios for these four burials. (1) There may be one traditional vault burial with up to three (3) cremation burials above the traditional vault. (2) There may be up to four (4) cremation burials in one gravesite if lot has no previous inurnments. One vault per gravesite shall be permitted, with up to three (3) additional permitted if the remains are cremated for a total of four (4).—Mike Hintz made a motion to approve the proposed amendment to the Cemetery By-Laws. Seconded by Chris Madgwick. Approved.
14. The monthly vouchers were reviewed. Of note was check 15282 to Waldo Water and Sewer Utility for \$51,979.64. This represents the Village's portion of the May 1st annual principal and interest treatment plant loan payment. The Village levies for this payment with property taxes. It represents 35% of the total payment due. Also noted was that the Village Board receives one payroll per year in April. These payroll checks were included in the voucher list. The President is paid \$1,200 and the Trustees are paid \$750 annually. Any meetings over 12 receive \$25.75 per meeting. Motion to approve checks #15232-#15282 plus online payroll liabilities payments for a total of \$84,081.53 was made by Mike Hintz and seconded by Jerry Hammarlund. Approved.
The Treasurer's Report included two reports. One was a handout titled "2021 Projected Village Revenues and Expenses" with more detail on how the treatment plant loan is broken down. The next loan payment will be interest only and come before the Board in October. Once again it is 35% of the total payment and will be \$6,199.22. The other report shared was a Profit and Loss Budget to Actual. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Chris Madgwick and seconded by Jerry Hammarlund. Approved.
15. Bruce Neerhof gave an Administrative report. It included the following:
 - A letter was sent to WSOR regarding their engines idling near residential neighbors. They are taking steps to prevent it from happening.
 - Researched Waldo land value
 - COVID relief is coming to every municipality through the American Rescue Plan. Waldo is estimated to receive \$50,000 total in two annual installments. Bruce, Gary, and Michelle have watched webinars about the disbursement that will be delivered online to a bank account we need to set up. The guidelines and restrictions about the use of the funds are still being nailed down.
 - The north side of West Second street has aging sidewalks in front of three homes. All three residents have requested them to be removed. This will be done soon.
 - The Park is getting some spring cleanup. Waldo State Bank employees will be donating their time to clean up brush and spread wood chips. JD Trucking has donated a dumpster for the debris. Travis Thomas is doing some grooming of the volleyball area and baseball diamond. Gary Dekker is using his equipment to distribute the wood chips that Mike Kitzerow is dumping at the playground site.
16. The Police Report included the following: Waldo had 2 citations (speeding & Operate without license), one arrest for possession of drug paraphernalia, 11 warnings given, 21 property checks and 5 complaints investigated. 12 hours and 84 miles were logged. Gary shared that one of the complaints had to do with burn barrels. Jason wondered if they were still not allowed in our CODE since they can contain fire better than burning trash on the ground. Burn Barrels are still forbidden. Waldo has trash pickup and compost materials can be taken to JD Trucking without a charge. Jason also reported that he attended the Emergency Management Training at the Village Hall. At that training the Reverse 911 Code Red capabilities were explained. Gary Dekker would like to pursue this further in the Village. He believes it is more effective than the siren.
17. Correspondence from the clerk included: *Municipality magazine*, Rep. Timothy Ramthun's newsletter, American Rescue Plan editorial, a Grant Letter proposal from Myk Hranicka (Mill Pond Dam related), WSOR letter, flyer from the Sheboygan County Consumer Credit Counseling service, League of Municipalities information regarding the current state budget session, WMCA letter explaining the upcoming election audit that the clerk will be participating in.
18. Reports and Updates from the Board: Brian Wimmler asked if Waldo had any liquor licenses available. The clerk will get him that information and history. The lawn care sign on the sidewalk across from Kvindlog's was questioned. Bruce was asked to check the CODE for sign rules and contact the owner.
19. Motion to adjourn: Chris Madgwick. Seconded: Mike Hintz. Adjourned at 7:11 p.m.