

**VILLAGE OF WALDO BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES FROM
MAY 10, 2021**

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:05 by President Gary Dekker. Trustee physically present were Mike Hintz, Jerry Hammarlund and Steve Bunnow. Trustee Mark Spitz was in attendance via "Zoom". Mark was able to vote favor by raising his hands and vote against by showing a "thumbs down". Also in attendance were Katie Parrish, Kari Marquardt, Brian Wimmeler, John VanEss, Rodney Schroeder (*The Review*), Jenny Bunnow, Michelle Brecht, and Bruce Neerhof. Alex Hart from InTrac was present through the first few agenda items while he monitored the "Zoom" hosting. He then left the building.
2. Proof of the meeting compliance with the Open Meetings Law was acknowledged.
3. Everyone stood and participated in the Pledge to the Flag.
4. The Minutes of the April 12, 2021, meeting approved after a motion by Jerry Hammarlund and a second by Mike Hintz.
5. Two Operator License applications from Kvindlog Services were presented. Mike Hintz made a motion to approve Operator licenses for Jarret Parrish and Randi Schueller. Seconded by Jerry Hammarlund. Approved.
6. A Temporary "Picnic" beer license was presented on behalf of the Waldo Lions Club. Their Pork Chop Dinner will be held as a drive through event at the Village Hall/Fire Hall on May 15, 2021. Their request was for a license to cover serving customers in the parking lot of the Waldo State Bank. Motion to authorize the temporary license for the Waldo Lions Club on May 15, 2021, was made by Mike Hintz. Seconded by Steve Bunnow. Approved.
7. Katie Parrish and Kari Marquardt were invited to present a proposal for three community-enhancing events featuring Food Trucks and music on the Friday nights of June 11, July 9, and August 13. They had helped organize one such event last summer and it was a success. Their request of the Board was to be able to use the Memorial Hall parking lot, tables, and chairs for the gathering. The public would not have access to the Memorial Hall. They requested that the rental fee be waived due to it being a not-for-profit event. They shared that several businesses were coming on board to help with the labor involved and that their main goal was for community bonding.
8. Motion to approve the Food Truck community event with rental fees waived was made by Mike Hintz. Seconded by Steve Bunnow. Discussion included a negative vote by Mark Spitz. This led to a rescinding of the motion. There was another motion to approve the event with rental fees waived by Jerry Hammarlund. There was some stumbling with the vote due to the delay of some questions from Mark Spitz. Jerry Hammarlund rescinded his motion in lieu of more information gathering and discussion. Concerns were expressed over setting a precedent of waiving the fees when vendors would be making income, causing the event to not be a purely non-profit event. Gary Dekker suggested that perhaps the rental fees could be donated. Three people in attendance volunteered to donate the rental fees for the three events in 2021. Jerry Hammarlund made a new motion to approve the use of the Memorial Hall parking lot, tables, and chairs for the community Food Truck events on June 11, July 9 and August 13 serving 4:00-7:00 p.m. with the rental fees being donated. Seconded by Mike Hintz. Unanimously approved. Katie Parrish and Kari Marquardt thanked the Board and left the building.
9. Templates of Resolutions regarding claiming "Sanctuary City Status for the Right to Bear Arms" by neighboring communities were presented. A speaker on the subject is being pursued before further review and action by the Board. Rodney Schroeder asked to comment. Gary welcomed him. He suggested that perhaps Waldo should take initiative and consider a Resolution to be a "Bill of Rights Sanctuary City" and not just limited to the Right to Bear Arms. Mike Hintz commented that there might not be teeth in either Resolution, but it seems like an important stand to be known for. Gary thanked Rodney for his input. Item was tabled for the present.
10. President Dekker shared that he had three appointments for the Board to consider for the Plan Commission. Trustee Mike Hintz, citizen Dan Schneider, and citizen Jenny Bunnow have all agreed to serve on the Commission. Motion to approve the Plan Commission roster as presented was made by Steve Bunnow and seconded by Jerry Hammarlund. Approved.
11. Ordinance 2021-01 amending section 128-1 of the Village of Waldo Code of Ordinances was reviewed. This amendment was requested by our Police Chief Jason Liermann and drafted by the Village lawyer, Paul Dirkse. It adopts State laws regarding fines for possession of THC and of drug paraphernalia. Motion to approve Ordinance 2021-01 amendment as presented was made by Mike Hintz. Seconded by Jerry Hammarlund. Approved unanimously. This Ordinance amendment will be notified in the newspaper as well as at official posting sites.
12. Facility Rental applications were listed and briefly reviewed. Motion to approve all of them as presented was made by Mike Hintz and seconded by Jerry Hammarlund. Approved. The list included:
 - May 23, Park, non-resident Ginger Lammers-Park-Paid
 - June 5, Park, resident -surprise party for mother-Paid
 - June 12, Park, resident-Diane Reineking-graduation party-Paid
 - July 10, Park, resident-Dan Schneider-graduation party
 - July 31, Park, non-resident-Pam Kissel
13. The disbursements were reviewed. The contractual monthly bills from JD Trucking were late in arriving. They included March and April charges. Mike Hintz made a motion to approve payment of checks #15283-#15306 with online payroll liabilities payments plus payment of the JD Trucking invoices received today. Seconded by Jerry Hammarlund. Approved. The Treasurer's Report included a profit/loss budget to actual report, a list of pending income & expenses, and account balances. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Mike Hintz and seconded by Jerry Hammarlund. Approved
14. Bruce Neerhof gave an Administrative Report for April. It included the following information:

- Temporary easements were signed with the Highway Department in preparation for the widening of County HWY V.
 - The remainder of 700 block of West Second Street sidewalks have been removed. They were badly buckling due to tree roots.
 - Solar panel farms will need to have him review any plans for development if they develop adjacent to the Village boundaries.
 - Waldo State Bank did a spring cleanup at the Park. They expressed some concern over dead tree branches hanging over the playground. Bruce is working on lining up help to get this taken care of.
 - Mike has sprayed for broadleaves.
 - Potholes were filled.
 - Cemetery spring cleanup is in progress.
15. Gary Dekker read the following: "The Board may enter closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. §19.85(1)(e) to conduct other specified public business, because competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. (Regarding future land use)" Jerry Hammarlund made a motion to go into closed session. Roll Call seconds unanimous. Clerk Michelle commented that due to the desire to include Trustee Mark Spitz in the session, would the audience please excuse themselves to their cars for this session. She said that she would come outside and let them know when the Board was ready to reconvene. All visitors complied.
 16. The clerk invited the visitors back inside the building. Motion to Reconvene was made by Mike Hintz. Roll call seconds were unanimous. Mike Hintz reported that the request by Mr. Wimmler to buy the farmland adjacent to the Treatment Plant is considered to not be in the best interest of the Village. He made a Motion to retain ownership of this farmland. Seconded by Jerry Hammarlund. Unanimously Approved.
 17. The renewal contract with Luedke Farms for rental of the farmland adjacent to the Treatment Plant was presented. It had been verbally confirmed in April and sent back signed since the last meeting of the Board. They included, with the contract, their first 2021 rental payment. Motion to approve the Luedke Farms land rental agreement for crop years 2022, 2023, 2024 was made by Mike Hintz. Seconded by Jerry Hammarlund. Unanimously approved.
 18. The Police Report for April included 3 traffic citations, 8 traffic warnings, 31 property checks, and zero complaints investigated for 10 hours and 53 miles logged.
 19. Correspondence from the clerk included The League of Municipalities magazine, and three information reports from the Department of Revenue regarding ARP funds that will be coming in June.
 20. Reports and updates from the Board included:
 - Gary read a response from the State regarding the Resolution the Board sent detailing their concerns as the State Budget is being developed,
 - the Board of Review training video was given to Steve Bunnow, and he was asked to pass it on to Jerry Hammarlund,
 - McKinley Smith, a friend of the late George Pollard, sent a \$200 gift for the Cemetery improvement in honor of Mr. Pollard. Bruce and Gary are pursuing a purchase of a portable water tank for the cemetery so visitors can water the grave plants without hauling water from home.
 21. Public Comment: Gary shared that Emily from the County has been speaking with the property owners along Hwy V where the widening road project is being planned. He is one of those owners and was pleasantly surprised that the relinquishing of the small strip of land in their front yard was paid for.
 22. Motion to adjourn was made by Mike Hintz. Seconded by Jerry Hammarlund. Adjourned at 7:25 p.m.