

**Village of Kekoskee Board Meeting
Minutes
October 15, 2019**

The Village of Kekoskee regular Board meeting was called to order by presiding officer, President Donald Hilgendorf at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall, W3275 County Road TW, Dodge County. Also present were Trustees, Loris Geschke and Allen Schellinger; Treasurer, Cindy Fredrick; and Clerk, Mary Dessereau. The meeting date was published and the agenda was posted according to Section 985.02(2)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes. Roll call and proof of notice were given.

Public input was taken on EMS, the tornado siren, sanitary billing, landfill 5-year plan, and the cooperative plan appeal.

Allen Schellinger moved and motion was seconded by Loris Geschke to approve the agenda. Voting in favor of the motion were Allen Schellinger, Loris Geschke and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.

Allen Schellinger moved and motion was seconded by Loris Geschke to approve the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on September 17, 2019 and the amended minutes of the Special Board Meeting on September 19, 2019. Voting in favor of the motion were Loris Geschke, Allen Schellinger and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.

Allen Schellinger moved and motion was seconded by Loris Geschke to not approve the City of Mayville Ambulance Service Agreement. Motion was rescinded and reworded by Allen Schellinger to approve the City of Mayville Ambulance Service Agreement. Loris Geschke seconded the reworded motion. Voting against the motion were Loris Geschke, Allen Schellinger and Don Hilgendorf. Motion not approved.

Loris Geschke moved and motion was seconded by Allen Schellinger to approve the bid submitted by Town and Country for the Village of Kekoskee 2019-2020 Snow Removal Rates. Voting in favor of accepting Town and Country's bid were Loris Geschke, Allen Schellinger and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.

Don Hilgendorf reported on the status of the Cooperative Plan appeal. No date has yet been assigned for the appeal to be heard.

The President reported that the Kekoskee LeRoy Joint Sanitary Commission has voted to continue the dispute with Mayville over the Mayville Extra Strength invoice in court. The President also reported that the Kekoskee lift stations were pumping to the max during the last major rain event and that no overflow needed to be discharged into the river.

The Clerk reported that the Village of Kekoskee attorney felt the Sanitary Sewer Property Owners Meter and Billing policy should be incorporated into the Village ordinance. This item will carry over to the November agenda.

The Board reviewed the three scenarios from the Martenson and Eisele study and wanted to study them further before taking action. Don Hilgendorf moved and motion was seconded by Loris Geschke to continue the flat rate for the 2019 fourth quarter billing. Voting in favor of the motion were Loris Geschke, Allen Schellinger and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved. To give users an idea of whether their rates are going up or going down, a letter will be included with the fourth quarter billing showing what the charge would have been if the meter rates were in effect. The official public hearing will be delayed until December. Voting in favor of the motion were Loris Geschke, Allen Schellinger and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.

The Clerk gave a report on the USDA Rural Development Business Grant.

Don Hilgendorf moved and motion was seconded by Allen Schellinger to approve having Access To Independence perform an accessibility evaluation at a cost not to exceed \$1,000. Voting in favor of the motion were Loris Geschke, Allen Schellinger and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.

The Clerk reported that the Village still needs a Revolving Loan Fund Administrator and that the Loan Review Committee met for the first time on October 10th to create a Revolving Loan Fund Plan and Lending Guidelines.

The former Kekoskee Hall at 21 Valley Street is being offered for sale. The President reported that the highest offer currently stands at \$13,000. The Board will continue to accept offers until October 31, 2019 from the three persons who had made previous offers. Motion was made by Don Hilgendorf to hold the offers open for the sale of the former Kekoskee Hall until October 31, 2019 with high offer accepted. Motion was seconded by Loris Geschke. Voting in favor of the motion were Loris Geschke, Allen Schellinger, and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.

Loris Geschke moved and was seconded by Allen Schellinger to adopt Ordinance #47, adopting SPS 316 State of Wisconsin Electrical Code. Voting in favor of the motion were Allen Schellinger, Loris Geschke, and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.

Loris Geschke moved and was seconded by Allen Schellinger to accept, sign and pay the \$55 fee for the WI Department of Safety and Professional Services (DPS) Application for Inspection Agency Registration as part of claiming jurisdiction to handle electrical building permits per DPS Safety and Professional Services Chapter 316 of the Administration Code. Voting in favor of the motion were Loris Geschke, Allen Schellinger, and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.

Loris Geschke moved and was seconded by Allen Schellinger to accept and sign the 911 Joint Powers Agreement. Voting in favor of the motion were Allen Schellinger, Loris Geschke, and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.

Allen Schellinger moved and motion was seconded by Loris Geschke to approve the Tornado Siren parts and repair estimate in the 2020 budget. Estimate is \$2,681 for parts and \$1,375 for labor and testing. Voting in favor of the motion were Loris Geschke, Allen Schellinger, and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.

2020 Budget Discussion

- a. Don Hilgendorf reported that the 2020 proposed Budget hearing will be held at 6:00 PM on November 19, 2019. Allen Schellinger moved and motion was seconded by Loris Geschke to approve the 2019 Property Tax Relief amount of \$168,000. Voting in favor of the motion were Allen Schellinger, Loris Geschke, and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.
- b. Don Hilgendorf reported on the 90/10 special road funding: DOT Multimodal Local Supplement. Applications to the State are due no later than December 6, 2019 at 5:00 PM. Discussion was held to recommend which road projects should be considered. Suggested projects were County Hwy Y and a new access road to the park.

Loris Geschke moved and was seconded by Allen Schellinger to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$14,522.49. Voting in favor of the motion were Allen Schellinger, Loris Geschke, and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.

The Treasurer's report was received for September 30, 2019: beginning balance of short-term money of \$289,847.69. Receipts of \$72,517.89 (including repayment of \$0.00 from Landfill Standing Account). Disbursements of \$58,747.98 (including \$0.00 loan to Landfill Standing Account and a \$5.00 loan to the RBDG account to open it). Ending balance is \$303,617.60. Long-term interest received from CD's is \$1,492.88. Landfill Standing Account beginning balance of \$0.26. Receipts of \$0.00 (including \$0.00 loan from Kekoskee). Disbursements of \$0.00 (including repayment of Kekoskee loan of \$0.00). Interest of \$0.00. Ending Balance is \$0.26. Tax Collections beginning balance \$1,402.27. Receipts of \$0.00. Disbursements of \$0.00. Transferred from Property Relief Fund: \$0.00. Interest of \$0.01. Ending balance is \$1,402.28. CDBG beginning balance of \$88,100.56. Receipts of \$0.00. Disbursements of \$0.00. Interest of \$7.24. Ending balance is \$88,107.80. Kekoskee Sanitary Department beginning balance was \$88,704.33. Receipts of \$1,104.00. Disbursements of \$3,139.12. Ending balance is \$86,669.21.

The Budget Public Hearing will be on November 19th at 6:00 PM with the November Regular Meeting to follow.

The Clerk read into the record a request for a motion to convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. §19.85(1)(c); (1)(e) and (1)(g) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of an employee; deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, and conducting other specified public business, because competitive and bargaining reasons require a closed session; and to confer with legal counsel who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the Village with respect to litigation in which they are or will likely become involved. The subject matter of the closed session is to interview a candidate for the Deputy Clerk/Treasurer position, the cooperative plan agreement in conjunction with EMS service providers and pending litigation.

Loris Geschke moved and motion was seconded by Allen Schellinger to go into closed session. Voting in favor of the motion were Loris Geschke, Allen Schellinger, and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.

The Village Board closed session was called to order by Chairman Don Hilgendorf at 8:20 p.m.. Members present were Donald Hilgendorf, Loris Geschke, Allen Schellinger, Cindy Fredrick and Mary Dessereau. The closed session was posted according to Section 985.02(2)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

The Board interviewed a candidate for the Deputy Clerk/Treasurer position and discussed EMS services.

Allen Schellinger moved and motion was seconded by Loris Geschke to adjourn the closed session and return to open session. Voting in favor of the motion were Allen Schellinger, Loris Geschke, and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.

Loris Geschke moved and motion was seconded by Allen Schellinger to appoint Judith Blodgett to the position of Deputy Clerk/Treasurer pursuant to Resolution No. 2019-21. Voting in favor of the motion were Loris Geschke, Allen Schellinger, and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.

Loris Geschke moved and motion was seconded by Allen Schellinger to adjourn at 9:13 p.m.. Motion approved.

Minutes recorded by Mary Dessereau, Clerk and Judith Blodgett, Deputy Clerk