

VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES Tuesday, March 7, 2023 – 7:00pm

PRESENT: Meeting called to order at the Auditorium by Village President Jim Jonasen at 7:00pm. The following answered the roll call: President Jim Jonasen, Trustees Adam Buchanan, Jim Smith, Nancy Paulson, Eric Anderson, and Nathan Sapik (Online). Also present were: Village Administrator/Clerk Daisha Nolan, Village Attorney Kyle Torvinen (Online), LNVFD Fire Chief Jake Fuller and Village Marshall Pete Witt. Village Trustee Jason Vee was absent.

POSTING: The agenda was posted on March 4, 2023 at 4:30 pm at the Auditorium, Post Office, Midland Marketplace and the Village Website.

PUBLIC INPUT:

Barb Resheske - Concerns of wake boats on Lake Nebagamon were taken to the Lake Association who is not able to establish resolutions, therefore returning the concern to the Village Board. A request was made to invest ARPA funds into a boat washing station as well as a resolution put in place to require boaters to wash their boats, and the condition of the batting cage was questioned.

Diana Buhr - Concerns about wake boats on Lake Nebagamon and the dangers they present to lower docks used by children and kayakers - particularly those who are not strong swimmers. Buhr raised the question that the Village could possibly face legal ramifications because the Village is not protecting resident's property from the effects of Wake Boats. Time and money has been placed into the Healthy Lakes program as well.

Ken Lundberg- Lundberg recognized that the issue of wake boats on Lake Nebagamon is a difficult one to approach and referenced the potential for zoning issues when a 500 ft from shoreline recommendation is in place. Lundberg commented on cases where he has had to turn his boat around because of wakes to avoid taking on water, and recognized that issues are seldomly from residents that live in the Village but rather those who are visiting through rental properties. Lundberg cited a study done from the University of Minnesota that he will provide to the office in comparison to the article from the Lake Association focused more on recreation with a "Sugar Coated" approach.

Swan Dawson - Dawson questioned the process behind the requirements to obtain a burning permit from the Village and the need to express this to the public for those not aware. Concern of plowing regarding the amount of snow required to engage plowing and methods of turning blades to avoid driveways.

Approval of Clerk's minutes: A motion was made by Smith to approve the regular session minutes, as presented, from the February 14, 2023 regular meeting, seconded by Buchanan. MCU

Treasurer's Report: Nolan presented the Treasurer's Report with no abnormalities. The Form-C has been completed and submitted with forestry figures needing clarification.

Approval of Invoices: Invoices were reviewed. A motion was made by Anderson to approve the payment of invoices, as presented, seconded by Smith. MCU

PUBLIC WORKS: Public Works Chair Anderson reported on the February committee meeting. President Jonasen shared that the Village has been approved for a grant towards Stormwater Design near the Boat Landing through the Army Corps of Engineering.

- Dairy Queen Dock Purchase Recommendation: A quote from Bayside Forestry Equipment, Inc. was reviewed for extensions to put in on the docks located at the Dairy Queen. A motion was made by Anderson to purchase the 12' dock extensions and legs for the quoted price of \$2734.56 with funds utilized from ARPA, seconded by Buchanan, MCU.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Trustee Eric Anderson reported on the February Public Safety meeting. The LNVFD has narrowed down their request for a replacement vehicle. Financing options are currently being researched by Nolan. The committee will present their request to the Board as soon as details are finalized.

- Village Marshall Pete Witt gave his monthly report and commended Fire Chief Fuller for his assistance during the recent Warrior Ride through town.
- The LNVFD report for February was provided by Fire Chief Jake Fuller.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Jonasen reported on the February meeting.

- **2022 Reallocation of Surplus Funds:** The finance committee reviewed each committee's requests for reallocations. The following recommendations are being made by the Finance committee:

Item	Amount		
Boat Landing Principal	\$9,400.00		
Ditching	\$7,000.00		
PW Employee FT	\$15,000.00		
Boat Landing Repair	\$55,000.00		
Allocation Amount	\$86,400.00	\$86,855.53	-\$455.53

A motion was made by Smith to approve the recommendations presented by the finance committee, seconded by Anderson. MCU

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT: No February meeting was held.

ZONING COMMISSION: Nolan reported on the February Zoning meeting. The commission continues to discuss potential commercial areas in the village and the possibility of conditional use permits for commercial uses. The commission is awaiting motion on the Douglas County small scale campground ordinances that are currently drafted and review of the zoning map has started to work towards the construction of a modern version to display in the office.

SEWER COMMISSION: Nolan provided an update from the Sewer Commission . Continued efforts for telescoping valve designs are being pursued, the ordinance outlining billing and fees was reviewed a second time with no changes to be made.

CORRESPONDENCE: A thank you from the Douglas County Natural Resources Specialist Zach Stewart was shared for the Village's pledge of funds towards the maintenance of curly leaf invasive species in Lake Nebagamon.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- **Review of Vacant Treasurer Position Applicants:** The Board reviewed each candidate with anonymity. Interviews will be extended and scheduled for Thursday, March 9, 2023 starting at 5:30pm.

INFORMATION FROM THE PRESIDENT:

- The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be on April 11, 2023 at 7pm.
- Spring election will be held on April 4, 2023.
- Open Book has been scheduled for June 8, 2023 from 4-6pm and Board of Review for June 19, 2023 from 6-8pm both located at the Auditorium.

CLOSED SESSION: The Village Board will not go into closed session.

ADJOURNMENT: The board adjourned at 8:14pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Daisha Nolan, Village Clerk
Village of Lake Nebagamon