

VILLAGE OF REDGRANITE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING – May 25, 2022

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Municipal Building on May 25, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call: Mark Juslen, Angie Ralls, Jim Erdmann, Ellen Caswell, Matt Knollenberg, Laurie Oltesvig and Belinda Passarelli. Motion by Ellen, second by Mark, to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM – None

Motion by Angie, second by Ellen, to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting on April 19, 2022 and special board meeting of May 10, 2022. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT – Christy reported the total amount paid for the new Public Works Truck is \$94,089.65 with \$92,000.00 from the State Trust Fund loan and \$2,089.65 from the general equipment fund. Redgranite Advancement Association requested a list of vendors the Village uses in order to solicit donations from them. The list was given to the Board members for information.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – President read the list of the improvements the RAA did for the Village several years ago and for the past several years, annual beautification in the downtown area.

FINANCE, PERSONNEL, INSURANCE – Motion by Angie, second by Ellen, to approve general fund disbursements – checks #13664 through #13731, 40113708 and 40113709 (Hometown Bank) for a total of \$257,436.01; water fund 6205506 through #6205535 (Hometown Bank) for a total of \$9,644.61; sewer fund disbursements – check #6306204 through #6306235 (Hometown Bank) for a total of \$50,223.92; ARPA funds #2021013 through 2021016 for a total of \$4,284.09 and payroll of \$44,769.52 creating a grand total of \$366,358.15 and the approval of financial reports for general, ARPA, water and sewer as printed. Motion carried. The Board reviewed the financial statements for General and Water Funds. Motion by Mark, second by Laurie, to approve borrowing funds, only when necessary, from Sewer Fund to cover General Fund cash flow shortages from now until Shared Revenue is received on November 16, 2022, and approve Amended Resolution 2022-05, Resolution to Borrow Money to Cover General Fund Cash Flow Shortages. Motion carried. Motion by Ellen, second by Mark, to hold a referendum at the November 8, 2022 General Election to increase the tax levy for 2022 and future years. Motion carried. Motion by Ellen, second by Angie, to hire Ehlers Public Finance Advisors and approve the Written Municipal Client Disclosure for assisting the Village with the referendum. Motion carried. Motion by Mark, second by Ellen, to charge the Sewer and Water Funds for labor and \$25 per hour equipment charge used to mow their lawn. Motion carried. Motion by Laurie, second by Ellen, to give out the emergency cell phone numbers for all departments. Motion carried. Motion by Matt, second by Laurie, to purchase tablets for board members not to exceed \$2,200.00 using ARPA funds. Motion carried. The donated generator, worth \$500.00, from Generac is ready for pick up.

MACHINERY, GARBAGE, ORDINANCES – Motion by Ellen, second by Laurie, to approve emergency repair of shop heater by Sheet Metal Services for \$1,078.72.00. Motion carried.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING – None

PARKS, CEMETERY – An update on the Quarry Committee was given by Shannon Henke – they are looking to have a co-chairperson, three (3) people want to join the Committee, will present dates of cleanup and ideas for the money to clean/preserve the quarry at the next board meeting and they are talking about getting volunteers to patrol the quarry. President vacated the position to act as a

Trustee. Motion by Belinda, second by Laurie, to call Dan Sondalle on the telephone. Motion carried. She returned to president position. There was no update on the Quarry Committee recommendations based on pros and cons of closing off part of quarry for swimming with input from fire department police and EMS. Motion by Laurie to table the Quarry Committee recommendations based on pros and cons of closing off part of quarry for swimming with input from fire department, police and EMS. Motion died for lack of a second. The Board skipped to #5. The property owners of any land abutting the water can allow people to go into the quarry; the property is zoned community commercial and is 66 ft of quarry frontage. Motion by Matt, second by Ellen, to allow the public to speak. Motion carried. Motion by Matt to not put in an Offer to Purchase the private quarry property. Motion died for lack of a second.

The Board jumped to MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS #8 – Motion by Ellen, second by Laurie, to table the fence in alley issue based on information from Attorney Sondalle. Motion carried.

The Board went back to PARKS, CEMETERY – Motion by Laurie, second by Matt, to approve the rate increase of \$100.00 to Bill Thoma for opening and closing graves and increasing fees charged for summer grave opening from \$550.00 to \$650.00 and winter grave opening from \$650.00 to \$750.00. Motion carried. Motion by Laurie, second by Ellen, to approve the request of Post Office Bar softball team to use Willow Creek Park ball diamond on Thursday evenings during the summer. Motion carried. Motion by Laurie, second by Ellen, to approve a donation of a concrete planter in between The Hair Shop and Sanicker's Pub in remembrance of Richard Gohlke. Motion carried. Motion by Ellen, second by Mark, to approve the purchase of a concrete planter in between The Hair Shop and Sanicker's Pub for \$486.00 using ARPA funds. Motion carried. Motion by Matt, second by Ellen, to accept the donation of RAA of paper towel and soap dispensers. Motion carried. Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to make necessary repairs/replacement of park picnic tables up to \$2,000.00 using ARPA funds. Motion carried.

POLICE, FIRE – The Redgranite Area Fire District is looking to purchase a new rescue truck at an estimated cost of \$150,000.00, the District has \$20,000.00 in their vehicle replacement fund and the Village will share the financial responsibility based on its percentage of equalized value of all the six (6) municipalities. Motion by Ellen, second by Mark, to approve the Amended Fire Inspection Ordinance 3-2-11. Motion carried. No action was taken on the police budget issues as it relates to the overall Village budget, staffing situation for Police Department and hiring a part time police officer. Chief Tarr needs more time to work in the office on administrative duties once a part time officer is hired. He appreciates the offer to help patrol the quarry but those volunteers should not confront people but just document by taking a video and being willing to testify in court. Chief Tarr mentioned the Schumacher properties, a house on Washington Street and another on Steger Street are in a state of disrepair. Ruth Zouski, Waushara County Corporation Counsel, may be able to assist the Village with these properties. Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to approve increasing Brienne Chappa's wage from \$14.00 per hour to \$20.00 per hour retroactive to May 12, 2022 and an increase to \$25.00 per hour after August 1, 2022. Motion carried.

SEWER, WATER – Motion by Matt, second by Laurie, to approve the purchase of UV Disinfection Parts from Mulcahy Shaw for \$1,247.50. Motion carried. Motion by Matt, second by Laurie, to approve emergency repair of SCADA Antennae at Old Plant from PJKortens for \$1,287.47. Motion carried. Motion by Matt, second by Ellen, to purchase DO Meter Parts from William Reid for \$550.00. Motion carried. Motion by Matt, second by Laurie, to purchase aerator VFD and install by J Lundt Electric for \$6,196.50. Motion carried. Motion by Matt, second by Ellen, to purchase 6x4 inch Reducer for Pump #1 in Main Lift Station from B&M Technical - \$1,917.00 and to revise third pump which includes 6" Flange and 6 inch Pump from B & M Technical for \$35,607.00. Motion carried. Motion by Ellen, second by Laurie, to table the

clarifier baffle replacement project using equipment funds until next month. Motion carried. Motion by Matt, second by Mark, to approve the Education Agreement with Matt Rettler as amended to include reimbursement of mileage expenses. Motion carried. Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to approve \$32.50 for Utility Department call outs on Saturdays and Sundays. Motion carried.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS, DITCHES – Motion by Mark, second by Laurie, to approve striping of pavement at Redgranite School charging for time and materials. Motion carried. Willow Creek Park is going to be a mess for a while (stumps and ditch cleaning) and the Village may get complaints until the piles are removed after Labor Day.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS – Motion by Laurie, second by Ellen, to change the regular monthly board meeting date to the fourth Tuesday of the month beginning in June. Motion carried. Motion by Laurie, second by Ellen, to approve an Operator's License for Gwyn Conrad-Kessler (Sanicker's Pub) and Rachel Taylor (Dollar General) until June 30, 2022. Motion carried. Motion by Ellen, second by Laurie, to approve a Temporary Class B Retailer's License for AMVETS Post 13 for Monday, May 30, 2022 (Memorial Day). Motion carried. Motion by Ellen, second by Laurie, to approve a Temporary Operator's License for Robert Rohde for Monday, May 30, 2022 (Memorial Day). Motion carried. Motion by Ellen, second by Laurie, to approve an Operator's License to Michael Copeland (Lambeaul Lanes) until June 30, 2022. Motion carried. Motion by Matt, second by Ellen, to decline the request to donate to Redgranite Advancement Association for Labor Day Celebration. Motion carried 5 to 2. Motion by Ellen, second by Matt, to table the proposed new logo for the new Public Works Department truck until the cost is obtained. Motion carried. Motion by Laurie, second by Mark, to table the equity project until further information is received. Motion carried. Motion by Matt, second by Laurie, to approve the request of Andrea Wilcox to shoot off fireworks on the east side of her residence at 506 Twin Pines Drive between July 1-5, 2022. Motion carried.

Agenda Items to be Placed on Next Regular Board Meeting Agenda – Update on East Side Park Cleanup.

Motion by Laurie, second by Ellen, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m. (All motions are carried by voice vote unless stated otherwise.)

Respectfully submitted,

Christy Groskreutz
Village Clerk