

**Minutes of the Village Board Meeting
April 22, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.
Village Hall Board Room**

Call to Order

Village President Burt R. McIntyre called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Village President Burt R. McIntyre; Trustee Maria Lasecki, Wards 1 & 2; Trustee Chris Nielsen, Wards 3 & 4; Trustee Cathy Hughes, Wards 5 & 6; Trustee John Muraski, Wards 7 & 8; Trustee Scott Beyer, Wards 9 & 10; Trustee Ray Suennen, Wards 11 & 12; Trustee Adam Lemorande, Wards 13-14 & 18; Trustee Craig McAllister, Wards 15-17

Also (staff): Paul Evert, Chris Haltom, Geoff Farr, Mike Kaster, Ed Janke, Leigh Ann Wagner Kroening

The board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. McIntyre confirmed the Village Board's compliance with state open meeting laws.

Approve Agenda

C. Hughes moved to approve the agenda. C. McAllister seconded. **The motion carried unanimously.**

Judge Gregg Schreiber conducted an honorary swearing-in ceremony for trustees Lasecki, Nielsen, Muraski, Beyer, Lemorande, and McAllister.

B. McIntyre recognized the Bay Port High School state championship individuals (girls golf and boys wrestling) and teams (girls' soccer, pom and dance, and girls' basketball).

Public Appearances

None.

**Future Agenda Items/
Announcements**

R. Suennen announced that the State of Wisconsin Joint Finance Committee meeting, a public hearing on the state budget, will be taking place on Wednesday, April 24, 2019 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Phoenix Rooms located in UW-Green Bay's University Union.

R. Suennen updated that the lawsuit filed by the Brown County Taxpayer's Association against Brown County regarding the .5 percent sales tax has now incurred over \$225,000 in legal expenses.

R. Suennen requested a future agenda item to review, discuss, and take action on the compensation for Howard village president.

Communications

S. Beyer moved to receive and place on file a thank you note to the Howard Fire Department from Green Bay Metro Fire Chief David Litton. C. Hughes seconded. **The motion carried unanimously.**

Consent Agenda

A. Lemorande moved to approve the consent agenda. J. Muraski seconded. **The motion carried unanimously**, and the following items were approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

Minutes of the April 8, 2019 Village Board meeting

Receipt of the April 15, 2019 Plan Commission meeting

Municipal invoices for \$874,447.61, paid with checks #65103-65181

Operator's Licenses for the following individuals:

- i. Brooke A. Baron
- ii. Sandra L. Gajeski
- iii. Elaine D. Rosene
- iv. Dallas S. Saldana
- v. Stephanie N. Spanos
- vi. Nicki S. Wisneski

The Temporary Class B Retailer's License for HSYSA for the Boys Baseball Tournament May 18, 2019 at Akzo Nobel Sports Complex

The Temporary Class B Retailer's License for HSYSA for the Boys Baseball Tournament June 7-9, 2019 at Akzo Nobel Sports Complex

The Temporary Class B Retailer's License for HSYSA for the Girls Softball Tournament June 21-23, 2019 at Akzo Nobel Sports Complex

The Temporary Class B Retailer's License for HSYSA for the Boys Baseball Tournament July 19-21, 2019 at Akzo Nobel Sports Complex

New Business

Special assessments for Shawano, Glendale, Jerome and Howards Crossing

M. Kaster reviewed the proposed special assessments on Shawano Avenue, Glendale Avenue, Jerome Way, and the Plat of Howards Crossing. B. McIntyre opened the public hearing. The following people spoke:

- Justin Wolf, 4294 Shawano Ave., said his home is already hooked up to sewer and water so he is not receiving any benefit and shouldn't have to pay any assessments. He said a way to avoid a similar situation in the future is to assess the property to the lot line at the time the benefit is received.
- Amber Gumm, 4306 Shawano Ave., said she objects to being forced to hook up to water and sewer that she doesn't want or need. She said her \$6,700 assessment will come out of her young family's savings.
- Don Adler, 4305 Shawano Ave., said he disagrees with paying for utilities he doesn't need and that are being extended to support a new development.
- Frances Burkel, 4317 Shawano Ave., said she just purchased her property and has now learned she is being assessed.
- Don Adler said his neighbor at 4301 Shawano Ave. also just purchased her home but could not make the meeting to speak against the assessments.

- Rhonda Schmid, 4343 Shawano Ave., said she owns two properties and has two wells, and her assessments will be more than \$14,000.
- Amber Gumm came forward again to share her husband's thoughts since he couldn't attend the meeting. She said he wonders why the profit from the new development can't be put toward the assessment costs of the affected neighbors. She said he also thinks the village is forcing out middle-class families in their efforts to develop more costly subdivisions.

Nobody else spoke. B. McIntyre closed the public hearing.

C. McAllister moved to waive the assessments for VH-11-4 because the property already was assessed, and the property owned by Justin and Courtney Wolf is already connected to the utilities. C. Hughes seconded. The board and staff discussed. **The motion failed 3-5 (No: B. McIntyre, C. Nielsen, J. Muraski, R. Suennen, A. Lemorande). M. Lasecki abstained.**

R. Suennen moved to approve Resolution 2019-03, authorizing levying of special assessments against benefited property on Shawano Avenue, Glendale Avenue, Jerome Way, and the plat of Howards Crossing. J. Muraski seconded. **The motion carried 6-2 (No: C. Hughes, C. McAllister). M. Lasecki abstained.**

R. Suennen moved to approve the Type H payment plan and waive the interest for the first three years for Phyllis and Anthony Reedy. C. Nielsen seconded. **The motion carried 5-3 (No: C. Hughes, C. McAllister, J. Muraski). M. Lasecki abstained.**

Development agreement with Nouryon

Brad Migdal, a representative for Nouryon Pulp and Chemical, came forward to explain the proposal to bring the plant to the Village of Howard. C. Hughes moved to approve the development agreement between the Village of Howard and Nouryon. S. Beyer seconded. **The motion carried unanimously.**

Preliminary resolution for Vincent Road assessments

M. Kaster discussed the Vincent Road improvement project. C. Nielsen moved to approve Resolution 2019-05, declaring the intent to exercise special assessment powers under Wisconsin Statute Section 66.0701 upon Vincent Road. M. Lasecki seconded. **The motion carried unanimously.**

Site-specific driveway plan For 1449 Greenfield Ave.

G. Farr reviewed village policy relating to second driveways and the request for a second driveway at 1449 Greenfield Ave. A. Lemorande moved to approve the site-specific driveway plan for the non-revocable installation of a second driveway at 1449 Greenfield Ave. C. Hughes seconded. **The motion carried unanimously.**

**Public Works fuel island
and tank replacement**

G. Farr reviewed the bids for the Public Works fuel island and tank replacement project. A. Lemorande moved to award the Public Works fuel island and tank replacement project to US Oil for \$259,290.00. S. Beyer seconded. **The motion carried unanimously.**

**Howard Fire Department
operational proposal**

E. Janke reviewed the science and technology behind ultra-high-pressure firefighting and the proposal to replace an existing piece of equipment with one UHP truck. If the truck is successful, the department wishes to replace planned future capital purchases with UHP technology. Captain Steve Devalk discussed his visit to the Middleton Fire Department, which uses UHP technology, and the successes they've experienced with it. C. Hughes moved to approve the fire department's plan to acquire UHP firefighting equipment. J. Muraski seconded. **The motion carried unanimously.**

**Memorial Day 2019
Village Board meeting**

C. Nielsen moved to cancel the Village Board meeting scheduled for May 27, 2019 (Memorial Day). C. McAllister seconded. **The motion carried unanimously.**

Reports of Village Officials

C. Haltom reviewed the first quarter 2019 financial report for the Howard Commons Luxury Apartments. **No action was taken.**

Adjourn

C. Hughes moved to adjourn. C. McAllister seconded. **The motion carried unanimously, and the board adjourned at 8:24 p.m.**

Leigh Ann Wagner Kroening
Administrative Assistant