

**Village of Holmen
Board Proceedings
September 14, 2023**

President Barlow called the Holmen Village Board meeting to order at 7:00 pm on September 14, 2023, at the Holmen Village Hall.

Board members present: Patrick Barlow, Rich Anderson, Rod Stanek, Doug Jorstad, Dawn Kulcinski, Micah Wyss and Travis Elam. Also present were Mike Howe, Brad Clark, James Steinbrink, Pam Viner, Administrator Heinig, Clerk/Treasurer Hornberg, Public Works Director Mezera, Lt. Spears, Engineer Dahl, Park & Recreation Director Brogan and Attorney Weber.

Public Hearing

At 7:01 pm, Rod Stanek/Doug Jorstad motioned to open the public hearing for Resolution 9-2023, Resolution Authorizing Special Assessments for Public Improvements Against Benefitted Property (2023 Sidewalk Improvements). The motion carried 7-0.

No one spoke on behalf of the proposed Resolution.

Dawn Kulcinski/Travis Elam motioned to close the public hearing at 7:04 pm. The motion carried 7-0.

At 7:04 pm, Rich Anderson/Dawn Kulcinski motioned to open the public hearing for Resolution 7-2023, Resolution Authorizing Special Assessments for Public Improvements Against Benefitted Property (2023 Alley Reconstruction). The motion carried 7-0.

No one spoke on behalf of the proposed Resolution.

Micah Wyss/Dawn Kulcinski motioned to close the public hearing at 7:06 pm. The motion carried 7-0.

Public Comment

Brad Clark, 1004 Greenwood St., inquired as to the criteria for sidewalk replacement and why his sidewalk was not included in the 2022 replacement project. Attorney Weber suggested that Mr. Clark direct his question to staff as the inquiry was not able to be addressed at this meeting.

Correspondence from Adam Lorentz, 315 E. Gaarder Rd., was entered into the meeting records regarding a request for a digital speed limit sign on E. Gaarder. The item will be directed to the Law Committee.

James Steinbrink from Features Sports Bar & Grill gave an apology to the Village Board for hosting an unapproved event with outdoor music until very late in the evening on Saturday the 9th.

Minutes

Rich Anderson/Dawn Kulcinski motioned to approve the minutes of the August 10, 2023 Board meeting as presented. The motion carried 7-0.

Planning Commission

Informational items only.

Park, Recreation and Library Committee

Informational items only.

Law Enforcement Committee

No meeting was held.

Public Works Committee

Rich Anderson/Doug Jorstad motioned to approve Resolution 9-2023, Resolution Authorizing Special Assessments for Public Improvements Against Benefitted Property (2023 Sidewalk Improvements). The motion carried 7-0.

Rich Anderson/Travis Elam motioned to approve Resolution 7-2023, Resolution Authorizing Special Assessments for Public Improvements Against Benefitted Property (2023 Alley Reconstruction). The motion carried 7-0.

Rich Anderson/Rod Stanek motioned to approve contract with Winona Mechanical Inc. for Ponderosa Lift Station Improvements in the amount of \$449,184.50. The motion carried 7-0.

Rich Anderson/Rod Stanek motioned to approve quote from Tapco for traffic signal repairs in the amount of \$16,795.00. The motion carried 7-0.

Dawn Kulcinski/Travis Elam motioned to approve WIN Technology Fiber Buildout with the following contingencies; WIN Technology satisfying all State of Wisconsin, County of La Crosse and Village of Holmen requirements for installation of utilities along US 53, County OT and Corporate Dr; The installation of infrastructure to serve every lot on Circle Dr. and Creekside Ln.; all permitting and plans to be completed to the satisfaction of the Village Engineer and the Director of Public Works; a schedule that requires the restoration of individual properties within 8 weeks of the initiation of the project; and permitting to include fees be paid at a rate of \$25/lot, fully insured for potential damages and must agree to immediately modify/relocate fiber lines within the ROW whenever Village construction projects take place. The motion carried 7-0.

Finance and Personnel Committee

Doug Jorstad/Rod Stanek motioned to approve payment of the claims as presented for the amount of \$3,108,587.95. The motion carried 7-0.

Shared Ride Committee

Informational items only.

Municipal Court Update

Administrator Heinig stated that the 2024 budget was discussed at the most recent meeting.

Fire Board Report

Trustee Stanek gave an update on the 2023 budget status, as well as call volume. Trustee Jorstad suggested to the Board that a discussion be placed on a future agenda regarding a new Fire Station. Administrator Heinig suggested that the first step would be for the Fire Board to discuss a potential investment in an outside consultant to prepare a Facility and Needs Assessment Study.

Bluffland Coalition Report

Informational items only.

County Supervisor's Report

Supervisor Viner reported that 2024 budget discussions have begun at the County; she stated that the ATV ordinance will be heard at the next Public Works committee meeting. She mentioned that the County Board is beginning to create pacer rating policies for road reconstructions and that the County will look into a future bond to combine with ARPA funds to complete desired Hillview project.

President's Report

President Barlow stated that LADCO is currently working towards obtaining a certified site rating on parcels in the north development area of the Village to help attract interested developers. He mentioned that the recent visit to La Crosse by the World War II LST-325 Landing Ship was a success and stated that La Crosse Area Convention & Visitors Bureau did a great job promoting the event.

Other Items before the Board

Attorney Weber stated that the Board should direct inquiries such as the sidewalk question tonight directly to staff to handle.

Administrator Heinig expressed his pride at the new park ribbon cutting event that took place this evening prior to the Board meeting.

Clerk/Treasurer Hornberg stated that the 2024 budget draft would be distributed tomorrow.

President Barlow thanked everyone.

Doug Jorstad/Micah Wyss motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 pm. The motion carried 7-0.

Angela A. Hornberg, Village Clerk/Treasurer