

**Village of Holmen
Board Proceedings
February 10, 2022**

President Barlow called the Holmen Village Board meeting to order at 7:00 pm on February 10, 2022, at the Holmen Village Hall.

Board members present: Patrick Barlow, Rich Anderson, Rod Stanek, Doug Jorstad, Travis Elam, Dawn Kulcinski and Micah Wyss. Also present were Kristie Tweed, Pam Viner, Sean Lentz, Josh Low, Attorney Weber, Administrator Heinig, Clerk/Treasurer Hornberg, Public Works Director Mezera, Chief Collins, Engineer Dahl and Park & Recreation Director Brogan.

Public Comment

Kristie Tweed introduced herself; and remarked that she will be on the April ballot for County Supervisory District 24.

Minutes

Rich Anderson/Doug Jorstad motioned to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2022 Board meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Planning Commission

Informational items only.

Park, Recreation and Library Committee

Micah Wyss/Rod Stanek motioned to approve 2022 fertilization and weed control contract with Turf Maintenance in the amount of \$34,232.33. The motion carried unanimously.

Administrator Heinig updated the Board on recent meetings with MSA, Lee Recreation, staff and Chair Wyss to review final apparatus decisions for the 2022 park projects. The plan will be to go to bid in time to present for review at the April Board meeting.

Law Enforcement Committee

Rod Stanek/Dawn Kulcinski motioned to approve server upgrade with MCS in the amount of \$19,744.00. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Works Committee

Rich Anderson/Travis Elam motioned to approve bid for 2022 Street Improvement project with McCabe Construction in the amount of \$393,939.00. The motion carried unanimously.

Rich Anderson/Micah Wyss motioned to approve bid for North Star Lift Station Project with Winona Mechanical Inc. in the amount of \$698,165.00. The motion carried unanimously.

Rod Stanek/Dawn Kulcinski motioned to consider CTH V (Long Coulee Road) Utility Extension proposal without Committee recommendation as bid opening was after the Committee meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Rich Anderson/Doug Jorstad motioned to approve bid for CTH V (Long Coulee Road) Utility Extension with A-1 Excavating Inc. in the amount of \$3,727,219.00. The motion carried unanimously.

Rich Anderson/Dawn Kulcinski motioned to approve bid for 2022-2024 Sludge Hauling Contract with A-1 Advanced Pumping in the amount of \$.16 per gallon for liquid sludge and \$35.00 per yard for cake sludge. The motion carried unanimously.

Rich Anderson/Doug Jorstad motioned to approve quote from DeBauche Truck and Diesel to upgrade plow truck ordered in 2021. Since the build date on this truck is still unknown, we are able to make alterations; this upgrade is for a larger wing plow for the additional cost of \$14,529.00. The motion carried unanimously.

Finance and Personnel Committee

Doug Jorstad/Rich Anderson motioned to approve payment of the claims as presented for a total amount of \$3,035,684.11. The motion carried unanimously.

Doug Jorstad/Micah Wyss motioned to approve Class B Retail Combination License for Su Casa Café, LLC., Agent Enrique J. Valera, located at 512 S. Main Street, Holmen. The motion carried unanimously.

Doug Jorstad/Travis Elam motioned to approve participation in the Bluffland Coalition with the understanding that there is no financial commitment and participation doesn't interfere with our economic development goals in the community. The motion carried unanimously.

Sean Lentz, Senior Municipal Advisor from Ehlers, presented Sale Day report for the General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2022A and answered any questions. He stated that the Village was awarded an upgrade in their S&P rating from "AA-" to "AA" due to highly successful financial management and economic development strategies. Lentz remarked that the higher rating put the Village in a great position for receiving competitive bids at the bond sale this morning which allowed the Village to decrease the issue size of the bond from \$9,115,000 to \$8,970,000 along with very favorable interest rates. He stated that the winning bid went to Northland Securities, Inc. with a true interest rate of 2.1199%.

Doug Jorstad/Rich Anderson motioned to approve Resolution 5-2022, Resolution Awarding the Sale of \$8,970,000 General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2022A. The motion carried unanimously.

Shared Ride Committee

Meetings have been moved away from monthly so there are not numbers to report this month.

Municipal Court Update

Informational items only.

Fire Board Report

President Barlow shared information on call volume and updated the Board on the potential hiring of a consultant to mediate and guide future discussions between La Crosse and the Holmen Area Fire Department. The consensus of the Board was to support this option.

County Supervisor's Report

Supervisor Viner stated that the County meeting had not yet been held so she had nothing to share at this time.

President's Report

Informational items only.

Other Items before the Board

Chief Collins mentioned that the Police Commission met on February 3rd to discuss potential internal promotions for the vacated Lieutenant and Investigator positions with interviews to occur on March 8th; interviews for replacements from the promotions will occur on April 19th.

Attorney Weber welcomed new Trustee Elam.

Administrator Heinig stated that he is very proud of all staff and Board members.

Trustee Wyss stated that he was grateful to have the opportunity to participate in the discussions on choosing apparatus for the park projects.

Trustee Kulcinski congratulated Administrator Heinig and Clerk/Treasurer Hornberg for the S&P bond rating increase; she welcomed new Trustee Elam.

Trust Jorstad congratulated everyone on the new bond rating and thanked them for their dedication, loyalty and hard work.

Trustee Elam thanked the Board members and staff for welcoming him, and stated that he hopes to be with the Village Board for a long time.

Trustee Anderson stated that this was one of the best meetings he has ever attended in the last 20 years of being on the Village Board.

Trustee Stanek thanked Heinig and Hornberg on the very impressive bond and rating results, and welcomed Trustee Elam.

President Barlow thanked all staff for their hard work.

Closed Session

At 8:14 pm, Doug Jorstad/Dawn Kulcinski motioned to convene into closed session per Wisconsin State Statute
Authority: §19.85(1) (e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session

Purpose: Sale and/or Purchase of Property

The motion carried unanimously.

At 8:55 pm, Dawn Kulcinski/Doug Jorstad motioned to reconvene into open session per Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(2). The motion carried unanimously.

No motion was needed after closed session.

Doug Jorstad/Dawn Kulcinski motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 pm. The motion carried unanimously.

Angela A. Hornberg, Village Clerk/Treasurer