

**VILLAGE OF THIENSVILLE
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES**

DATE: Monday, May 7, 2012

**LOCATION: 250 Elm Street
Thiensville, WI**

TIME: 6:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Mobley called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

President:	Van Mobley	
Trustees:	Kim Beck (excused)	Kenneth Kucharski
	Ronald Heinritz	David Lange
	Rob Holyoke	John Treffert
Administrator:	Dianne Robertson	
Staff:	None	

****Oath of office was given to Trustee David Lange by Administrator/Clerk Robertson**

III. BUSINESS

A. Review Capital Expenditures List

B. Review and recommendation regarding Resolution No. 2012-09 approving a Memorandum of Understanding with Ozaukee County to provide Statewide Voter Registration System services for 2012-2013

This is a renewal of the agreement. There are no changes to the agreement nor are there any increase in fees.

MOTION by Trustee Holyoke, **SECONDED** by Trustee Heinritz to recommend to the Board approving Resolution No. 2012-09 approving a Memorandum of Understanding with Ozaukee County to provide Statewide Voter Registration System services for 2012-2013. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

C. Review and recommendation regarding Resolution No. 2012-10 for Outdoor Recreation Aids (Stewardship Grant Application)

Administrator Robertson has applied for a DNR Stewardship Grant in the amount of \$340,000 which was due by May 1, 2012. This for another section of the Riverwalk from the old millrace path to over and across the old mill pond to Shully's property and then off to Green Bay Road to include Van Mobley's property. The Rotary Club will be fundraising for a 50% match. Administrator Robertson is also trying to see if they will allow improvements to the restrooms in the park. The DNR states that there needs to be a resolution in place stating that the Village will fund the remaining portion of the project if the Village receives the grant. The restrooms will be about \$200,000 and the Village cost will be \$100,000 to include design. The balance for the Riverwalk is about \$140,000 and that will be paid 50% by the Rotary Club. Scott and Beth Shully have agreed to pay for the portion of the Riverwalk across their property and would allow people to walk across. President Mobley will pay for his portion of the Riverwalk on his property. Money can also be raised by the entities that use the park restrooms like the softball leagues, the M-T Lions Club, Community Fun Events, etc. Trustee Treffert does not like spending \$200,000 on new updated bathrooms but they must be handicapped accessible and the current number of stalls need to remain. They are in much need of updating.

MOTION by Trustee Holyoke, **SECONDED** by Trustee Heinritz to recommend to the Board approving Resolution No. 2012-10 for an Outdoor Recreation Aids, Stewardship Grant Application. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

D. Review and recommendation regarding Resolution No. 2012-11 Creating the Mequon-Thiensville Intergovernmental Cooperation Committee

Administrator Robertson talked with Mequon Administrator Lee Szymborski and he stated that the agreement is in draft form. They are looking for feedback from the Village and from the school district on what they feel may be some changes that the Village Board may want to implement. The school district is not looking at this until the end of May. The idea is to have an equal number of people from all entities on the committee. Mr. Lange reported that he was at a Community Conversation meeting and it was very apparent in some cases that the left hand did not know what the right hand was doing with the different people that attended. Administrator Robertson commented that once they find out what the branding will be there could be something included on Village and City letterhead to show the branding of the area. President Mobley reported that he was appointed to the Town Center Committee many years ago and he feels it would be helpful if the corner of Mequon Road and Cedarburg Road were to be jazzed up. This would bring people into our business district.

Trustee Treffert feels that there should be a meeting of the Common Council and Village Board to discuss issues and see how everyone feels and to get feedback since it has been almost 6 years since this has happened. This committee must be made up of council and board members not citizens. Trustee Treffert also stated that Mequon has talked about doing another community wide survey in Mequon. Trustee Treffert feels that reason the Town Center Committee didn't go anywhere is because the Common Council worked in a vacuum and the two entities (Mequon and Thiensville) were not meeting together enough on a regular basis. President Mobley commented that if you don't have a buy-in from the sponsoring body then it can be a frustrating and time consuming rather pointless endeavor. President Mobley wants the corner of Mequon Road and Cedarburg Road fixed and to send developers to Thiensville that don't fit the needs in Mequon which is not currently happening. Thiensville should also be included in the branding/marketing efforts. Trustee Treffert brought up the Chamber of Commerce and the Thiensville Business Association and that they are frequently the front contacts from the outside and would like to see feedback from them also. The additional advisory members are Concordia University, MATC and Columbia St. Mary's with no more than two members from any one institution. Administrator Robertson suggested that the voting members should be elected people not citizens. The Board discussed having an annual membership of the three organizations, the City of Mequon, the Village of Thiensville and the Mequon-Thiensville School Board.

MOTION by Trustee Treffert, **SECONDED** by Trustee Lange to recommend to the Board approval of Resolution No. 2012-11 Creating the Mequon-Thiensville Intergovernmental Cooperation Committee with the understanding that an attempt will be made to have a joint meeting between the governing body of the three entities and to have the following:

The membership from the three entities should be elected people not citizens.

There should be an annual membership of the three organizations.

Additional members can be appointed from these institutions: The Mequon-Thiensville Chamber of Commerce, Concordia University Wisconsin, MAYC, Columbia St. Mary's and the Thiensville Business Association.

Each of the three entities should have a majority to meet a quorum.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

E. Review and recommendation regarding Resolution No. 2012-12 Create A Community Wide Branding Committee

President Mobley stated that a branding committee would be like the Village going out and hiring someone to come up with our logo and if the Village is appointing marketing and aesthetic people, people who know what they are doing. The only downside is that it would be very easy for these people to "fly the coup" and would be necessary to have the equivalent of a blue shirt on our doorstep. Trustee Lange commented that one of the things out of the Community Conversation meeting was marketing aspects that other communities had done. President Mobley asked if this committee will have a budget because if they are just going to brainstorm then they will not be able to do anything. Administrator Robertson answered they are a brainstorming group and do not have a budget.

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Administrator Robertson suggested that if this committee wanted to hire someone to design this branding then they would come back to the communities. This branding would include total representation of the two communities.

Trustee Lange stated that the dollar amount of \$10,000 was suggested to put this project together. Part of this would be the web presence which is very important. Trustee Kucharski was reassured that once the branding was put together it would come back to the Village Board for approval. What if the Village approves the branding and Mequon does not? The answer was both entities, the Village and the City would revert back to an annual meeting.

President Mobley wants the corner of Mequon Road and Cedarburg Road re-done, this is high priority and will be the brand for the community. Trustee Treffert suggested that this gateway should be a joint effort and participation and if the two communities can't agree on that then we can't agree on much else. Trustee Kucharski feels that both sides of the signboard should have information. The hot area of Mequon now is west of Cedarburg Road where there is new development going on. The sponsoring organizations should have four members from the general public, two from Mequon and two from Thiensville. Trustee Treffert stated that if the Village cannot get representation from Mequon in regards to the gateway then the efforts on the rest of the branding would be difficult. The Village wants a piece of the "doorknocker." Administrator Robertson suggested that a separate Resolution be created expressing to Mequon the desires of Thiensville. Trustee Mobley also suggested a meeting between the Mequon Common Council and the Village Board.

MOTION by Trustee Treffert, **SECONDED** by Trustee Lange to recommend to the Board approval of Resolution No. 2012-12 Create A Community Wide Branding Committee. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- F. Review and recommendation regarding renewal beverage operator's license
Skippy's – Heidi M. Goldschmidt

MOTION by Trustee Heinritz, **SECONDED** by Trustee Holyoke to recommend to the Board approval of a renewal beverage operator's license to Heidi M. Goldschmidt.

Ayes: Trustees Heinritz, Holyoke, Lange, Treffert and President Mobley.

Abstain: Trustee Kucharski

MOTION CARRIED.

- G. Review and recommendation regarding denial of beverage operator's license
B-1 Burger – Lenora M. Large

MOTION by Trustee Holyoke, **SECONDED** by Trustee Heinritz to recommend the denial of a new beverage operator's license to Lenora M. Large with the right to appeal to the Village Board. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- H. Review and recommendation regarding temporary beverage operator's licenses
Thiensville-Mequon Lion's Fest – Scott McGee, Joseph R. Brown,
Gregory Kickbush, Dennis DeBaere, Gerald Niemeyer, Charles W. Scandrett,
Ken Kucharski, Brett Kucharski

MOTION by Trustee Treffert, **SECONDED** by Trustee Lange to recommend to the Board approval of temporary beverage operator's licenses Thiensville-Mequon Lion's Fest – Scott McGee, Joseph R. Brown, Gregory Kickbush, Dennis DeBaere, Gerald Niemeyer, Charles W. Scandrett, Ken Kucharski, and Brett Kucharski.

Ayes: Trustees Heinritz, Holyoke, Lange, Treffert and President Mobley.

Abstain: Trustee Kucharski

MOTION CARRIED.

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- I. Review and recommendation regarding appointment of Matthew R. Anderson as
a special police officer with the Thiensville Police Department

MOTION by Trustee Treffert, **SECONDED** by Trustee Heinritz to recommend to the Board the appointment of

Matthew R. Anderson as a special police officer with the Thiensville Police Department. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

J. Review and approval of appointments to Village Committees

CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS:

Weyenberg Library Board Mary (Mimi) Rosing 512 Alta Loma Drive., Three-Year Term

Board of Review Edwin Ogden, 300 Crescent Lane, One-Year Term
Michael Dyer, 600 Bel Aire Drive, One-Year Term

Plan Commission John Cabaniss, 503 Riverview Drive, Three-Year Term
to expire 4/2014

MOTION by Trustee Treffert, **SECONDED** by Trustee Holyoke to recommend to the Board the approval of Citizen Appointments to the following:

Weyenberg Library Board - Mary (Mimi) Rosing 512 Alta Loma Drive., Three-Year Term

Board of Review - Edwin Ogden, 300 Crescent Lane, One-Year Term

Michael Dyer, 600 Bel Aire Drive, One-Year Term

Plan Commission - John Cabaniss, 503 Riverview Drive, Three-Year Term to expire 4/2014

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

Historic Preservation Commission Ronald Heinritz, One-Year Term

Plan Commission Kenneth C. Kucharski, One-Year Term

Weyenberg Library Board Kim C. Beck, One-Year Term

Board of Review Van A. Mobley, One-Year Term
David A. Lange, One-Year Term

MOTION by Trustee Treffert, **SECONDED** by Trustee Holyoke to recommend to the Board the approval of Board Appointments to the following:

Historic Preservation Commission - Ronald Heinritz, One-Year Term

Plan Commission - Kenneth C. Kucharski, One-Year Term

Weyenberg Library Board - Kim C. Beck, One-Year Term

Board of Review - Van A. Mobley, One-Year Term
David A. Lange, One-Year Term

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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STAFF APPOINTMENTS:

Board of Review Dianne S. Robertson, Administrator, Annually

Auditor John Knepel, CPA, Annually

Planner Jonathan Censky, Annually

MOTION by Trustee Treffert, **SECONDED** by Trustee Kucharski to recommend to the Board the approval of Staff Appointments to the following:

Board of Review - Dianne S. Robertson, Administrator, Annually

Auditor - John Knepel, CPA, Annually

Planner - Jonathan Censky, Annually

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

NEXT RESOLUTION NUMBER:	2012-13
NEXT ORDINANCE NUMBER:	2012-01

IV. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

A. Citizens to be Heard

Open to any citizen who wishes to speak on items not on the agenda. Please step to the podium and give your name and address for the record.

Mr. Paul Van de Sand, 580 Rosedale Drive was in attendance. For about 6 or 7 months he served in an advisory level for the Mequon-Thiensville Rotary Club and he thought the gateway was quite an idea. He agrees completely on the branding issue and serving as a gateway to Thiensville and congratulated the Board on taking this position. He is also glad that Mr. Jenior (who was in attendance) will be doing emissions testing so people don't have to go to West Bend.

In the NOW newspaper there was an article on April 5, 2012 regarding Laurel Acres Water Trust and this article disappointed him as a member of the Laurel Acres Water Trust. There were a number of inaccuracies in the article. Mr. Van de Sand stated the wells do not have a high level of arsenic and are completely functional and stated that city water is not always the best solution. Mr. Van de Sand is concerned about the costs of city water and the TIF District expiring. One foreclosure has already happened within this water co-op. He feels that Mequon water will be a good thing maybe 2 or 3 years down the line when things may be a little better financially among all of the members of the trust. The DNR has sited that one well has levels of arsenic that are above regulations but the other well is fine. Mr. Van de Sand does not want the Village to approve loaning money to the Water Co-op at this time for installation of Mequon Water.

Trustee Treffert responded that if Laurel Acres wants to hook up to Mequon water the Village would obtain the funds to help them just as the Village did with Century Estates Water Co-Op. The village is not making Laurel Acres Water Trust hook up to Mequon Water. Trustee Treffert stated that there is a group of homes that have a health issue in regards to the arsenic levels. Mr. Van de Sand says there is not a health issue and there is still one well that is perfectly fine, it is the other well that does not comply with DNR regulations. The one that does not comply is at the same ground level as the Century Estates #3 well that was bad. Mr. Van de Sand stated that a group of homeowners have not been able to get any response from the water trustees so they don't know what to do.

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IV. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR CONTINUED

Mr. Bob Jenior from Jenior Tire was in attendance. Mr. Jenior made some comments about elaborate plans he saw years ago regarding development in Mequon and the problems with the new median that was created by Mequon on Cedarburg Road.

V. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS BY TRUSTEES AS MAY PROPERLY BE BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD.

A. Inter-Governmental Committee with Mequon

B. Use of 101 Green Bay Road, Old Village Hall & Fire Station

C. Acceptance/Report of Gifts Received

1. Stanley & Eunice Gehrke, \$60 to the Thiensville Fire Department

MOTION by Trustee Treffert, **SECONDED** by Trustee Holyoke to recommend to the Board acceptance of a \$60 gift to the Thiensville Fire Department from Stanley & Eunice Gehrke with gratitude. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- D. Dialog with Mequon regarding water utility service
- E. Review next month's meeting date schedule
- F. Discuss Family Fun Before the Fourth Event and Parade

Plan Commission and COW will be on Monday, June 4, 2012.

On May 21, 2012 there will be a closed session to discuss the new Police Chief salary and outside employment.

VI. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Trustee Treffert, **SECONDED** by Trustee Holyoke to adjourn the meeting at 7:32PM. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Submitted by,

Approved by,

Susan R. Conway
Administrative Assistant

Dianne S. Robertson
Village Clerk