

**Village Board Meeting
September 8, 2020**

1 - Order

Trustee Wishau called the Village Board Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., at the Village Hall.

2 - Pledge of Allegiance

3 - Roll Call

Board: Trustee Stillman, Trustee Wanggaard, Trustee Weatherston, Trustee Prott, and Trustee Wishau. Trustee Martin was present via Zoom.

Absent: President Dobbs was excused.

Staff: Administrator Tom Christensen, Assistant Administrator/HR Director Toni Muise, Utility Director Anthony Bunkelman, Health Officer Margret Gessner, Fire Chief Richard Roeder and Attorney Tyler Helsel.

4 - Communications and Announcements

None.

5 - Approval of minutes

Motion by Trustee Wanggaard to approve the minutes of the following meeting(s) as printed. Seconded by Trustee Stillman. Motion carried unanimously.

Village Board – August 17, 2020
Special Village Board – August 24, 2020 (both meetings)

6. Citizens Reports

Ronald Coutts, 609 Kentwood Drive, was present in support for Resolution 2020-79 and felt it was a positive for Caledonia. He felt a Park Commission needed to be set up to run the Joint Park.

7 - Committee Reports

7A(1) - Approval of A/P checks

Motion by Trustee Martin to approve the A/P checks as presented. Seconded by Trustee Prott. Motion carried unanimously.

Village - \$ 737,259.12
US Bank - \$ 42,759.59

Trustee Martin stated that for the record, she is against the Police Department selling 'Back the Blue' signs because of the politized nature of the sign. She thought a more neutral sign should be sold by the Village if the Village is going to be selling signs.

8 - Ordinances and Resolutions

8A - Ordinance 2020-15 – Reading and Possible Action on – An Ordinance to Repeal and Recreate Title 17 Chapter 1 of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Caledonia, Racine County, Wisconsin, Relating to the Health Department

Trustee Weatherston is on the Board of Health and spoke of updating the Ordinance to be more in line with State Statutes. It was voted on unanimously by the Board of Health and needs to be approved and enacted by the Village Board.

Motion by Trustee Weatherston to adopt Ordinance 2020-15. Seconded by Trustee Prott. Motion carried unanimously.

8B - Resolution 2020-78 – Resolution Authorizing the Village of Caledonia to Purchase a Stryker Power Load Cot for the Fire Department

The Village has an opportunity to purchase a Stryker Power Load Cot for the Fire Department at a discounted rate. This equipment has proven to reduce risk of injury to both the employees and patients. The Finance Department recommended approval

Motion by Trustee Wanggaard to adopt Resolution 2020-78. Seconded by Trustee Prott. Motion carried unanimously.

8C - Resolution 2020-79 – A Resolution of the Village of Caledonia Board of Trustees to Negotiate an Agreement Between the Village of Mount Pleasant and the Village of Caledonia for the Village of Caledonia to Assume Operations of the Caledonia-Mount Pleasant Memorial Park

Trustee Prott recused himself as a Trustee from Resolution 2020-79 at 6:10 p.m. and sat in the audience for the duration of this topic.

The Racine County Parks Board voted against assuming operations of the park at this time but may review it again in 2022. The Joint Park Transition Commission (JPTC) met and discussed the future of the park and has recommended that Caledonia assume operations of the Caledonia-Mount Pleasant Memorial Park. This is the first step for Caledonia assuming operations of the park; This isn't approving or denying an agreement and is solely approving Caledonia to assume operations.

Trustee Weatherston thought that the Caledonia-Mount Pleasant Memorial Park is run differently than the other parks in Caledonia. The parks reservation software, Webreserv, would need to be updated to accommodate the various amenities offered by this park. He felt strongly that we needed a Parks Manager who has skills in computer operations, can execute program management (such as kid's programs), and provide general oversight in maintenance and care of the parks.

Trustee Martin wondered why Caledonia would take it over as opposed to Mt. Pleasant. Helsel explained that Mt. Pleasant doesn't want to assume operations but wants to maintain the name. Caledonia already handles the fiscal side and the park is also located in Caledonia.

Motion by Trustee Wanggaard to adopt Resolution 2020-79. Seconded by Trustee Stillman. Motion carried unanimously.

9 – Old Business

9A - Discussion and Possible Action Approving Proposed Business Terms for a New Cellular Facility Lease with AT&T and Authorizing the Negotiation of a Contract Incorporating the Same

AT&T initially proposed paying \$9,000 annually and this was not accepted by the Board at the July 20th meeting. AT&T came back with a proposal of \$11,000 at the August 17th meeting and the Board once again asked Christensen to go back and negotiate. Since the last meeting, Christensen has negotiated a 5% increase but that is the only change in the proposal. AT&T is currently being charged \$14,000 and would be increased to \$15,456 starting April 2021. If this isn't approved, they will find a different location.

Motion by Trustee Stillman to approve the proposal as presented. Seconded by Trustee Weatherston. Motion carried, 5/1.

10 – New Business

10A - Discussion and Possible Action on Consolidation with Racine County and Central Racine County Health Department

The Central Racine County Health Department has been doing a great job navigating COVID-19 but they have not been able to focus on the grant funded portions of their work. At the peak of the pandemic the Health Department was nearly a million dollars over budget. This pandemic has brought to light that the Health Department would be better served under Racine County instead of Caledonia. The Board of Health has voted unanimously to turn over the Health Department to Racine County and the Racine County Executive Jonathan Delagrave has also expressed approval of this transition. All 14 municipalities (not including the City of Racine) would need to vote to transition the Health Department to the County and this would need to be done before the end of the year. This transition is projected for January 2022 because the budget cycle for Racine County takes about a year. Health Officer Gessner explained a Memo of Understanding (MOU) will be drafted and distributed so the involved municipalities can see all the details outlined before they ultimately decide to disband. She felt the lack of infrastructure has posed serious challenges for the Health Department.

Motion by Trustee Weatherston to approve the Consolidation with Racine County and Central Racine County Health Department. Seconded by Trustee Stillman. Motion carried unanimously.

11 – Report from Village Administrator

Our Police Department has assisted with the civil unrest in Kenosha, but things have been settling down and they have not had to be there in the last week.

12 – Adjournment

Motion by Trustee Wanggaard to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Stillman. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joslyn Hoeffert, Deputy Village Clerk