

**Village of Stoddard  
Village Board Meeting  
January 9th, 2024, 6:00 p.m.**

The Village Board met in regular session. Roll call: Scott Chiples, Diane Olson, Bill Evans, Karen Long and Bob Wurtzel. Tom Venner and Steve Davis-absent.

**Minutes:** Motion Evans, second Long to approve minutes from the December meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

**Appearances:** None.

**Bills and Vouchers:** Motion Evans, second Olson to approve December payments #21272-21321 in the amount of \$53,596.68 for payment. All aye. Motion carried.

**Committee Reports:**

**Board of Appeals** – No meeting.

**Board of Review** – No meeting.

**Budget & Finance** – No meeting.

**Building/Zoning/Land Planning** – No meeting. Will have a meeting next week.

**Fire** – No meeting.

**Park** – No meeting.

**Personnel** – No meeting.

**Public Works** – No meeting.

**W&S – Utilities Commission Meeting, December 18th, 2023, 3:30 p.m., Stoddard Sewer Plant**

Meeting called to order at 3:43 p.m. Present - Mark Peterson and Russ Bolton. John Tully – excused. Village Lead Operator-Mike Young, Operator Rob Hurlburt, Board member Scott Chiples, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Carrie Brudos and Village Clerk Kent Hatlestad also present.

**Minutes:** Motion Bolton, second Peterson to approve minutes from previous meeting. All aye, motion carried. **Appearances:** None.

**Bills and Vouchers:** Sewer - #3725-3732 = \$5,786.28 Water - #3362-3367 = \$45,009.13. Motion Bolton, second Peterson to approve. All aye, motion carried.

**Unfinished Business:**

Discussion on proposed Simplified Water Rate increase. Hatlestad reported that the Simplified Rate Increase filed with the WI PSC will result in an 8% increase and go on the bill in April.

Discussion on new Basin Engineer – Katy Jo Jerzak. The first impression is not very impressed. Katy Jo is strictly by the book and doesn't seem to have a real grasp on the how to use the position to provide help to operators instead of enforcement.

**New Business:**

Discussion on water line survey. Survey looked at and changes made. Will be sent out with the bill next week.

Discussion on air line repair. Young reported that the air line repair was complete and now all the diffusers in Pond 2 are operating.

**Communications:** None. **Public Comment Time:** None. Motion Bolton, second Peterson to adjourn at 4:10. All aye. Motion carried. Adjournment.

**Unfinished Business:**

a) Discussion on 2024 planned projects. Several projects were discussed including: construction of a dog park, upgrade to Front St. leading to the boat landing, street repairs around the village. Additional ideas for improvements will continue to be brought in for consideration.

**New Business:**

a) Discussion on the approval of a Community Water/Wastewater Utility Mutual Assistance Agreement with the Village of Genoa. The Village of Genoa has requested the village enter into this agreement to provide back-up assistance if something were to happen in the Village of Genoa. This is a requirement of the WI DNR that every community have such an agreement. Motion Olson, second Long to approve the Community Water/Wastewater Utility Mutual Assistance Agreement with the Village of Genoa. All aye, motion carried.

b) Discussion on the 2024 Election Schedule. Hatlestad reported that the elections schedule for 2024 is:

April 2<sup>nd</sup> – Spring election

August 13<sup>th</sup> – Partisan Primary

November 5<sup>th</sup> – General election

Hatlestad reported that the request for absentee ballots had already begun and to prepare for a wild election season.

**Communications:** None.

**License Applications:** None.

**Public Comment:** The issue of uncontrolled intersections was brought up. This will be looked at a future Public Works meeting.

Motion Evans, second Olson to adjourn. All aye. Motion carried.

Next meeting February 13th.