

Call to Order: President Brunkhorst called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. in Council Chambers Village Hall.

Members Present: Brunkhorst, Ducklow, Huepfel, Jacobson, O’Connell, Vorlicek

Members Absent: Falde

Staff present: Clerk/Treasurer Emerson, Chief Verges

Approval of Minutes: Motion (O’Connell/Jacobson) to approve December 4, 2019 minutes. Carried.

Approval of Agenda: Motion (Jacobson/Huepfel) to approve agenda. Carried.

Appearances: Ranger Power was present to explain the solar power project currently being planned in Gilman Township. They discussed the benefits to the Village of Spring Valley as possible increased spending in the village from money in the pockets of land owners under RP lease agreements, and increased spending in the village from money in the pockets of workers installing the project. Ranger Power is looking for Village endorsement.

Action items:

- 1) WI DOT reiterated the community meeting information on the Hwy 29 project. Maps are available in Clerk’s office if anyone has questions.
- 2) **Motion (Huepfel/O’Connell) to approve rate increase request from P.I.G. effective 2/1/2020. Carried.**
- 3) **Motion (Jacobson/Huepfel) to approve Mike Martin to replace Toni Pruitt on Library Board. Carried.**
- 4) Radon testing and mitigation will keep moving forward. Clerk’s office has contact list.
- 5) **Motion (Jacobson/Huepfel) to approve Operator’s Licenses for Crystal Cave. Carried.**
- 6) Jacobson and Falde are appointed Village Board reps to meet on an ongoing basis with the SVHRC board.
- 7) **PW update:** No grant information for the Hwy 29/Van Buren/Bike path extension is available yet; snow is being piled up at end of retaining wall on Hwy 29/State St. area-needs to be moved; there are 7 bids for the truck and car which will be opened on Friday January 10th; a local resident offered to the plow sidewalk on the north side of State St below the retaining wall if Village reimbursed him for fuel-clerk will pull previous discussion from 3 years ago to see what was decided; sand is needed in alleys-clerk will relay to PW.
- 8) **Motion (O’Connell/Ducklow) to approve pay requests and Treasurer’s report. Carried.**
- 9) **February 2020 meeting date Monday January 27th at 6:15 p.m.**

Library – end of year budget is looking good; circulation is down slightly.

Police report – Hunter Henning was introduced as the new Full Time Police Officer. Phase 2 of the computer project is now complete with new computers and enhanced security. New router splits Police Dept and Village Office. Fiber optics were installed to enhance speed. Christmas parade went smoothly, New Year’s Eve was quiet.

Municipal Development - Laura is currently working with a builder on a specific buyer as a package deal. Clerk will get specific areas of advertisement for the development and report back. Call Verdouw re: sale of land – tabled until spring. Community Center will begin remodel this spring with electrical work, kitchen upgrade, flooring.

President’s report –

Clerk’s report – Pierce County Economic Development is developing a tourism counsel if anyone is interested.

Motion (Ducklow/O’Connell) to adjourn 7:06 p.m. Carried.

Respectfully submitted
Luann Emerson, Clerk