

**VILLAGE & TOWN OF STOCKBRIDGE**  
**3rd QUARTER JOINT MEETING**  
**OCTOBER 12, 2021 6:30 p.m.**  
**COMMUNITY HALL – 175 S. MILITARY ROAD**

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Village President Tim Lemke. Present at the meeting are Village President, Tim Lemke and Trustees, Ty Bodden, Nathan Bowe, Tammy Mackai, Greg Zickuhr, Ted Parsons, Marilyn Behnke and Village Clerk Bobbi Reedy. Present on behalf of the Town are Chairman Ken Schaefer and Supervisors Joe Kuhn and Mark Ecker along with Town Clerk Steve Phipps. Also present are Mike Funk - Fire Chief, Bill Van Hoorn, and Kathy Stadtmueller – 1<sup>st</sup> Responder Captain.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

VERIFICATION OPEN-MEETING NOTICES: Both Clerks confirmed notices were posted per WI Stat. 19.84.

AGENDA: **Motion** by Tammy Mackai to approve agenda. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nathan Bowe. M/C

MINUTES: **Motion** to approve the 2nd Quarter Joint Meeting Minutes from July 13, 2021 with the correction to the spelling of Tammy Mackai and Ty Bodden's names in paragraph 4 by Tammy Mackai, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marilyn Behnke. M/C

PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS: None

THIRD QUARTER 2021- EXPENSES & RECEIPTS:

- A. Fire Department: Both boards reviewed the 3rd Quarter Fire Department expenses. **Motion** for Town to pay the village \$103.74 for their 3rd quarter proportionate share of fire department, community hall and administrative expenses by Joe Kuhn and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark Ecker. M/C
- B. Both boards reviewed the 3rd Quarter 1<sup>st</sup> Responder's expenses. **Motion** from Tammy Mackai with a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Greg Zickuhr that the village should pay \$1,103.47 to the town for the village's share of the 1<sup>st</sup> responder's expenses. M/C.

FIRST RESPONDERS

- A. Captain Report: Kathy Stadtmueller, Captain gave the 1<sup>st</sup> responder's report. Currently there are 14 active members they had 1 resignation and 1 member on leave of absence. They have had 16 calls – 3 in the Village and 13 in the Town.
- B. 2022 Proposed Budget: Kathy Stadtmueller provided a copy of the proposed 2022 budget for the First Responders with a total budget of \$18,488.00. After brief discussion **motion** was made on behalf of the town by Mark Ecker to approve the budget as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> was made by Joe Kuhn, M/C. **Motion** was made on behalf of the village

by Tammy Mackai to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> Responder budget as presented, a 2<sup>nd</sup> was made by Ty Bodden, M/C.

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT

A. Chief's Report: Mike Funk reported the current roster is 35, with 1 returning to the area. For the 3rd quarter, there were 7 calls, 5 calls were in the town 2 calls were in the village and 0 mutual aid calls. A Fire Department financial report was also presented.

Mike Funk also reported there has been a donation offer to the Fire Department of a Boston Whaler Boat with an approximate dollar value of \$80,000. The board discussed the potential use of this boat and the pros and cons associated. There was also discussion regarding the cost of maintenance, insurance, training and storage if the donation was accepted. Mike Funk said the donating resident said that the boat could be used by the Fire Department or they could sell it if it did not fit their needs. It was determined that the boards would like to receive a letter of intent from the donor providing what his intentions are and the board was also in agreement that more information in regard to the cost, use, training and storage of the boat is needed before making a decision. An additional joint meeting was scheduled for 11/16/2021. The board asked Mike Funk to be prepared to provide more of the requested information at that meeting. The boards also requested Sheriff Wiegert be invited to the meeting to discuss how this would work in relation to the rescue calls the Sheriff's Department already handles on the lake with their boat.

Next Mike Funk addressed the possible need for an auto aid agreement for daytime incidents in the future. He explained that the department is short of manpower during the day when calls come in because a large percent of the membership is at work and out of the area. Chief Funk explained how several other departments in the area are using this program and how it has been working for them. The program would call both Stockbridge and another area department that has agreed to provide mutual aid during the allotted times when a call comes in, therefore allowing a potentially faster response rather than calling just Stockbridge and waiting to call in another department after Stockbridge determines it needs assistance. There was some discussion by the boards about this potential need and what department to possibly partner with but was determined this is not a need at the current time.

B. 2022 Proposed Budget: Mike Funk provided a copy of the 2022 Fire Department Budget totaling \$72,038.00. Both boards reviewed the budget. One of the changes from 2021 was the addition of a \$500 annual stipend for the Assistant Fire Chief. Ken Schaefer stated that he believed Mike Funk's Salary should be reviewed and increased for everything that Mike does for the department and how his workload especially

reporting has increased. Ken Schaefer made a **motion** to increase Mike Funk's stipend from \$1,000 annually to \$1,500 annually changing the proposed budget to a total of \$72,538.00. Mark Ecker seconded that motion, M/C. A **motion** was made by Marilyn Behnke on behalf of the village to increase the Fire Chief stipend to \$1,500 per year making the 2022 annual Fire Department Budget \$72,538.00. Nathan Bowe seconded the motion, M/C. There was also some discussion about offering the firemen a per diem in lieu of lost wages for some of the training they attend. It was determined that this is something the boards would discuss further at a future meeting and that it was too late in the budget process to get it on the budget for 2022. It was also determined that the Village's Personnel Committee would research the tax requirements of these potential stipends or payments.

A **motion** was then made by Greg Zickuhr to return to agenda item 8B. First Responders 2022 Budget to discuss 1<sup>st</sup> Responder annual salaries. Tammy Mackai seconded the motion, M/C. There was brief discussion and a **motion** was made on behalf of the village by Tammy Mackai to increase Kathy Stadtmeuller's annual salary by \$250.00 and Sue Schiesl's annual salary by \$250.00 making the total annual 1<sup>st</sup> Responder Budget \$18,988.00, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Nathan Bowe, M/C. Joe Kuhn, Town Supervisor also made a **motion** on behalf of the town to increase Both Kathy Stadtmeuller's and Sue Schiesl's annual salaries by \$250.00 making the Total 1<sup>st</sup> Responder Annual Budget \$18,988.00. Mark Ecker seconded the motion, M/C.

C. Credit Card for Fire Chief and 1<sup>st</sup> Responder: Clerk Reedy discussed that the Village would like to discuss adding a credit card to their account for the Fire Chief. After brief discussion it was determined that the Village would add the Fire Chief as a cardholder to their account.

PROPERTY ACQUISITION FOR IMPROVED FIRE DEPARTMENT INGRESS/EGRESS: Ken Schaefer discussed the potential purchase of the Heimbach property next to the current entrance to the Fire Department. Mr. Heimbach passed away and the town would like to make an offer to purchase the property for the potential to add a second driveway to the Fire Department which has been discussed in the past as a safety concern. Joe Kuhn made a **motion** to send a letter to the Heimbach family about purchasing the property, Mark Ecker seconded the motion, M/C.

#### BUILDING & GROUNDS:

A. Pest Control – Wil-Kil Contract: Mike Funk reported seeing mice and having concern that they may chew up some of the gear which would be very costly. There also has been a problem with spiders. Mike Funk was directed to contact Wil-Kil to have services added beyond the annual contract to address rodent control and spiders.

- B. Door Repair/Replacement: Problems of the Community Hall door opening due to swelling and rust have been previously discussed. It continues to be a problem for the Meals on Wheels staff. Tammy Mackai had an estimate from Parsons Brothers Construction of \$5,530 to replace the door. Tammy Mackai made a **motion** to hire Parsons Brothers Construction to replace the east side door of the Community Hall at an estimated cost of \$5,530. Greg Zickuhr seconded the motion, M/C with Ted Parsons abstaining. Tammy Mackai will contact Parsons Brothers to begin project.
- C. Community Hall Cleaning – New Hire: The Village reported Heather Turba has replaced Connie Krueger as the cleaning person for the Community Hall. Mike Funk stated he would prefer if the cleaning was not done on Mondays but rather after they have their department meetings which are Monday night. It was discussed that Tuesday morning is not an option with the Meals on Wheels program. Tammy Mackai will contact Heather Turba to look at possibility of cleaning Tuesday afternoon or Wednesdays.

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE:

- A. Committee Report: Tim Lemke reported that the Village Building and Grounds Committee has met and discussed the Villages needs and thoughts regarding the future Building and conceptual plans. There was no report from the 1LRC Committee.
- B. Fox Cities Builders Conceptual Plans: Tim Lemke will contact Fox Cities Builders to check if they are available to meet with the 1LRC Committee on 10/26/2021 at 6:00 pm.
- C. Discuss Bays for Boat Storage: Discussed earlier during Fire Chief's Report and potential boat donation.
- D. Contract Between Town & Village: After conceptual plans are drawn and reviewed this will be discussed. Ken Schaefer's concern is of the valuation of lakeside properties.

4th QUARTER JOINT MEETING: The meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. with Tim Lemke presiding.

ADJOURNMENT: **Motion** to adjourn by Ken Schaeffer, seconded by Tammy Mackai.  
Meeting Adjourned 8:20 p.m.

Dated: October 14, 2021

Bobbi Reedy  
Village Clerk