

VILLAGE OF ELLSWORTH BOARD MEETING

January 4, 2021 7:30 p.m.

130 N. Chestnut St. Lower Level Boardroom (East Rear Entrance)

Minutes

1. Call to Order at 7:30 p.m.

Members Present: Trustees Lance Austin, Becky Beissel, Scott Feuerhelm, Neil Gulbranson, Michael J. Steele and Curt Wandmacher

Staff Present: Village Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer Stewart, Library Director Meyer (Participated Remotely), Police Chief Ladwig

Others Present: Village Attorney Bob Loberg and multiple virtual Zoom meeting participants

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

2. Approval of minutes – 12-07-2020: Trustee Beissel had one name typo in the Public Safety Section. **MSC** (Steele, Feuerhelm) to accept the minutes with correction. **Unanimous.**

3. Approve bills: MSC (Gulbranson, Beissel) to approve the bills as presented. **Unanimous.**

4. Public comment on non-agenda items: No public comments were made.

5. Committee/Commission meeting reports/recommendations:

A. **Plan Commission**

B. **Board of Appeals**

C. **ETZ**

D. **Water and Sewer**

E. **Street & Sidewalk**

F. **Salary and Labor**

- Reviewed the Dec. 15th meeting minutes.

G. **Finance Committee**

H. **Parks, Recreation, & Development**

I. **Finance, Purchasing, Buildings**

J. **Public Safety:** Trustee Bissel provided an update regarding the Ellsworth Ambulance service.

K. **Health, License, Welfare**

- Application for Cigarette and Tobacco Retail License: 21 Plus Inc. dba Broz Bar located at 455 E. Wall Street

MSC (Gulbranson, Austin) to approve the application for Cigarette and Tobacco Retail License for Broz Bar. **Unanimous.**

- Application for Temporary Class "B"/ "Class B" Retailer's License: Ellsworth Fire Services Assoc. for March 27th Annual Chicken Feed Fundraiser located at 427 W. Spruce St.

MSC (Wandmacher, Beissel) to approve the Temporary Class "B"/ "Class B" Retailer's License for the Ellsworth Fire Services Association for March 27th. **Unanimous.** Trustee Steele abstained from voting.

L. **Solid Waste, Cable TV, Special Committee**

M. **Cemetery**

N. **Community Development Authority**

6. Department Head Reports: Department activity/update

A. Chief of Police Ladwig reviewed his monthly report.

B. Director of Public Works/Zoning Administrator submitted a monthly report.

MSC (Feuerhelm, Austin) to accept the police and public works reports. **Unanimous.**

C. Administrator-Clerk/Treas. reviewed monthly report.

MSC (Steele, Gulbranson) to accept the administrator's report. **Unanimous.**

D. Library Director Meyer reviewed report remotely.

MSC (Feuerhelm, Wandmacher) to accept the library report. **Unanimous.**

MSC (Gulbranson, Wandmacher) to go into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes, Section 19.85(1)(g) conferring with counsel. **Unanimous** after a roll call vote.

7. Closed Session: The committee adjourned to closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes, Section 19.85(1)(g) conferring with counsel. Conferred with legal counsel who either orally or in writing advised the governmental body on strategy to be adopted with respect to current or likely litigation. The legal consultation was regarding the property located at 245 S. Broadway Street.

MSC (Wandmacher, Austin) to go into open session. **Unanimous** after a roll call vote.

Meeting reconvened into open session to take or announce action, if any and if appropriate, and to consider other agenda items.

8. Adjournment: **MSC** (Steele, Austin) to adjourn. **Unanimous.**

Respectfully submitted by Nicole Stewart Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer