

The February 20, 2024 meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Elk Mound was called to order by Village President Terry Stamm at 6:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Karin Wolf, Clerk-Treasurer, verified that proper notice of the meeting had been posted.

Roll call showed Cynthia Abraham, Bob Bachman, Tim Benjamin, Pat Hahn, Pat Lien, Joyce Price, and Terry Stamm present.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Hahn/Benjamin moved and seconded a motion to approve the Village Board minutes of January 15, 2024 and February 5, 2024. Motion carried.

#### **CITIZEN'S FORUM – (PUBLIC INPUT)**

There was no one registered for Citizens Forum.

#### **PUBLIC APPEARANCE**

There was no public appearance.

#### **APPROVAL OF GENERAL FUND AND WATER/SEWER UTILITY VOUCHERS**

Price/Hahn moved and seconded a motion to approve the combined checks 32689 - 32741 and direct deposits V3635 - V3654 for a total of \$363,264.02. Motion carried.

#### **APPROVAL OF TID VOUCHERS**

There were no TID vouchers.

#### **PERMITS – BUILDING; WATER/SEWER APPLICATIONS FOR SERVICE/TAP PERMITS**

The following permits were issued: Kat's Pourhouse, W305 Menomonie Street, for a kitchen expansion contractor revision; Charter Spectrum for a Right of Way Permit at 500 University Street; and Balsam Ridge for a Demo Permit at E209 Menomonie Street, Lot #4.

#### **PERMITS – BUILDING; WATER/SEWER APPLICATIONS FOR SERVICE/TAP PERMITS (continued)**

Chicken licenses were issued to the following: Jake Bolks, 209 Mound Park Drive; Christine Klein, N204 Holly Avenue; and Carol Petersen, S221 Holly Avenue.

#### **Water/Sewer Report**

The Water/Sewer Report was presented by Mark Levra, Director of Public Works. The report is on file in the Director of Public Works office.

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#### **Police Chief Report**

The Police Chief Report was presented by Police Chief Chad Weinberger. The report is on file in the Village Clerk-Treasurer's office.

#### **Standing Committee Reports:**

##### **Public Works & Streets**

Bob Bachman reported that the Public Works & Streets Committee met, and the topic will be discussed later in the meeting.

##### **Public Safety**

Tim Benjamin reported that the Public Safety Committee did not meet.

##### **Property & Finance**

Cynthia Abraham reported that the Property & Finance Committee met, and the topic will be discussed later in the meeting.

##### **Employee Relations**

Pat Lien reported that the Employee Relations Committee did not meet.

##### **Plan Commission**

Terry Stamm reported that the Plan Commission did not meet.

### **Report from Fire Board Representative**

There were three calls for service this month, with a total of 83 calls for 2023. This is an increase from 2022, when there were 63 calls.

Two members resigned from the Department, one of them was the Fire Inspector. Larry Zais will be the Interim Fire Inspector. Fire inspections and fire inspection follow-up visits are ongoing.

The Department payroll was \$6,055.91 more in 2023 compared to 2022. There were more calls and better member response.

The ambulance from Colfax EMS is expected to be in Elk Mound soon. The Board and Chief Fuester have been working on an ordinance for billing for fires. Squad No. 2 is listed for sale.

### **Report from Elk Mound/Colfax Solid Waste & Recycling**

The unit is asking residents to bring their used cooking oil to the sites in 1-gallon containers for disposal. Residents are also asked to see the attendants onsite for proper disposal of shredded paper.

Clear bags are for sale at the Elk Mound and Colfax Village Halls and at the two solid waste/recycling disposal sites. 33-gallon (3 for \$1.00) and 13-gallon (4 for \$1.00).

The unit is still working with residents to ensure that they have the proper 2024 permits, fee schedule, and DNR required educational materials.

### **Colfax Rescue Squad Monthly Report**

The Colfax Rescue Squad Monthly Report from January was reviewed. This is available in the Village Clerk-Treasurer's Office.

### **Community Center/Library Report**

Terry Stamm reported that the Community Center/Library Board met on January 22. The committee voted to install a drinking fountain at the community center at a cost not to exceed \$3,000. They also voted to purchase a cabinet for defibrillator storage, to be placed in the lobby. The committee also discussed the procedures for accepting book donations.

Bob Bachman reported on the Menomonie Library's celebration of 150 years of library service in Dunn County, including 10 years in Elk Mound.

### **Communications & Miscellaneous Business as Permitted by Law**

President Terry Stamm mentioned that it is time for the annual review of the Village's Emergency Operations Plan. This topic will be added to the March 18 agenda.

### **Unfinished Business:**

#### **Discussion/Action Village Park Rental Policy**

This agenda item has been tabled to allow the Board more time to review the proposed changes.

#### **Discussion/Action Change to Ordinance Sec. 2-2-9, Frequency of Village Board Meetings**

Benjamin/Bachman moved and seconded a motion to approve Ordinance 24-1, An Ordinance to Amend Section 2-2-9(a) of the code of Ordinances of the Village of Elk Mound, relating to Regular Meetings of the Village Board. This amendment states that regular meetings of the Village Board will be held on the third Monday of each calendar month. Motion carried.

**New Business:**

**Discussion/Action Police Evidence and Storage Updates**

Benjamin/Lien moved and seconded a motion to approve the plan for Police Evidence and Storage Updates as presented, including Public Works constructing a secured area in the Police section of the Cold Storage Building for approximately \$4,800, Chief Weinberger purchasing two fire-resistant gun safes rated for 24 guns to secure potentially sensitive and large evidence for approximately \$1,200, and the purchase of a rolling step ladder with platform for approximately \$1,000. The total sum of the project is not to exceed \$7,000, utilizing \$6,000 from the unallocated Police Citation Forfeiture Savings Account, \$500 from the Public Works Cold Storage budget line and \$500 from the Police New Equipment budget line. Motion carried.

**Discussion/Action Fluoridation of the Village Water Supply**

Abraham/Benjamin moved and seconded a motion to continue with the current fluoridation program for the Village's water supply. Motion carried.

**Discussion/Action Operator License Application – Brandon Redwine, Kat's Pourhouse**

Lien/Benjamin moved and seconded a motion to approve the Operator License application for Brandon Redwine. Motion carried.

**Adjourn**

Lien/Hahn moved and seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 p.m. Motion carried.

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Karin Wolf  
Village of Elk Mound Clerk-Treasurer