

MINUTES OF SPECIAL VILLAGE OF BELLEVILLE BOARD MEETING
HELD MONDAY, **APRIL 18, 2011** AT
7:00 P.M. VILLAGE HALL - 24 WEST MAIN STREET

1. Call to order - The meeting was called to order by Village President Terry Kringle at 7:00 PM.
2. Roll call by Clerk – Trustees present were: Ben O’Brien, Terry Kringle, Jim Schmitz, Gary Ziegler, Deb Kazmar and Bonnie Wilcox
3. Visitors: G. S. Donovan, Dave Eustice, Jim Root, Jim Schenk, Howard Ward, Paul Ziehli, Rick Francois, Michael Parkin, Brad Peterson-Recorder, Faye Nolden, Dave Ace, Mike Tretow and Herb Blaser
4. The Clerk stated that the meeting has been noticed as required by law.
5. Visitors Who Would Like to Speak Now - None
6. Visitors Who Would Like to Speak On an Agenda Item
7. **Consent Agenda: Trustee Kazmar made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented; seconded by Trustee Wilcox. Motion carried.**
 - a. Approval of Minutes (April 4, 2011)
 - b. Approval of Bills for April 2011 to date
 - c. Approval of March Treasurer’s Report
 - d. AMENDED - Approval of Temporary Class “B”/”Class B” Retailers License for Belleville Fire Department (33 E. Main Street) for Annual Fish Boil, DATE CORRECTION: May 21, 2011
8. Committee Reports – No discussion.
9. President’s Report – No discussion.
10. **Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer’s Report** – The Village engineer, MSA, is recommending the Village apply for a stormwater grant. A formal approval of the resolution to proceed with the application can be placed on the April 25 agenda. MSA would apply on the Village’s behalf for a grant requesting one-half of the funds to improve the stormwater pond at Federal Industries (stormwater utility funds would be the Village’s match). Federal has indicated that they would grant permission for the work, as this would make them eligible for a larger stormwater utility credit. Grant application is due May 1, so MSA would like to start work ASAP if there are no objections, with formal approval next week. Work however could not begin until 2012 at the very earliest.

Tomorrow is a meeting with UW-Extension about the lake project at 3 PM for those who may be interested. We are hoping to start volunteer projects and maybe a “friends group”. We also received a donation of 50 oak saplings.

11. Unfinished Business:

- a. **Lake Restoration / West Lake Dredging Projects** – Present were Jeff Hruby and Siggsi Sigmarsson (Montgomery Associates), who met with DNR and US Army Corp of Engineers (USACE) on the proposed dredging project. A permittable project from the USACE standpoint would be as bid originally (base plan not expanded). Any increase in the dredge area they would have a hard time permitting. DNR is ready to approve, however. Additional dredging would not meet the purpose and needs test for the USACE and costly require wetland mitigation. Additional dredging near the boat ramp and removing dredge work near the dam was recommended. Hruby suggested maximizing the permit application. The permitting process would be lengthy. Hope to bid out in July. Dredging amount would be 2.4 acres. The USACE position is that nothing else is needed. Hruby, with DNR help, pushed as much as he could but the process is somewhat arbitrary and regulatory driven.

Hruby felt that some lake elevation might be raised in the interim, but the dam is technically not in compliance until overflow spillway construction is complete. They will speak to the DNR about closing at least some of the gates. If the lake was hydraulically dredged, the USACE would have no say but it is much more expensive.

Trustee Ziegler made a motion to allow MARS to pursue the permitting process for the west lake dredging project; seconded by Trustee Kazmar. Motion carried.

Boating Guidelines – Hruby: The water body is now wholly enclosed; Town of Montrose and Dane County authority may be involved with approving any guidelines. Otherwise, guidelines could be enacted most simply by ordinance. Legal counsel may be needed. A portion of Montrose abuts the lake.

- b. **Proposed Lighting in Sugar River Park** – Community Club requests temporary light installation at the park, and would pay the cost. Residents nearby were notified. Light directions will face east and south. One may face northeast. There would be five total; perhaps one extra for picnic only. Lights would function one night a week, 8 – 11 PM at the very latest, twice this season for youth baseball and during Community Picnic. Two residents who live at the end of the cul-de-sac on Church Street spoke that it was not a big deal. **Trustee Wilcox made a motion to agree to allow lights in Sugar River Park for summer 2011 to be used by softball, baseball and Community Picnic; seconded by Trustee Kazmar. Motion carried with Trustee Ziegler abstaining.**
- c. **Park Plan Adoption** – Comments were submitted from the planning consultant. Tabled.
- d. **Proposed Wayfinding Signs** – Draft signage was reviewed. Village Board preferred sign background in green with scalloped logo. We had not talked yet to school district on cost sharing. Some poles may need to be purchased for installation. Final numbers, design and permit information will come back.
- e. **Local Impact of Budget Repair Bill** – Attorney memo regarding employee WRS contributions and tax status under the budget repair bill were provided. More discussion in committee.

- f. **Proposed Sewer Utility Budget** – Village financial advisors provided a memo regarding what it might cost to refinance wastewater treatment plant's debt. It would be an additional \$5 million in costs to refinance over the long term. The budget presented included a 4 percent rate increase at midyear with no connection fee increase. The alternative was a budget without the increase. The difference was about \$15,000. **Trustee Ziegler made a motion to pass the 2011 sewer budget without an increase with deficit to come from sewer fund balance; seconded by Trustee Wilcox. Motion carried.**

12. **New Business:**

- a. **Approval of 2011 Urban Forestry Grant Agreement with WI-DNR** – The grant would provide \$25,000 in grant funds to help do tree-catch up maintenance and planting. Village match would come from 2011 budget and labor. **Trustee Ziegler made a motion to accept the 2011 grant award; seconded by Trustee Kazmar. Motion carried.**
- b. **Recommendation from Police Committee for Hiring** – Trustee Kazmar made a motion to hire Traci Lien as Police Clerk and Deputy Court Clerk; seconded by Trustee Wilcox. The judge approves the hiring as well. Motion carried.

13. **ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION for a) Police Union Contract Policy Negotiations per 19.85(1)(e) and b) Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer Performance Evaluation per 19.85(1)(c)** – Trustee Ziegler made a motion to go into closed session; seconded by Trustee Kazmar. Motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

14. **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION** for possible action on items discussed in closed session – Trustee Kazmar made a motion to reconvene in open session; seconded by Trustee Wilcox. Motion carried. Reconvened at 9:23 p.m. the Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer's evaluation was discussed. The police union presented a revised sick bank policy, which will be reviewed by the officers for approval.

15. **Other Business:**

- a. Correspondence – Letter from State Rep. Janis Ringhand.
- b. Announcements – Trustee Ziegler thanked President Kringle on behalf of the Village Board for his service as trustee and president. President Kringle said it has been a pleasure being on the Village Board.
- c. Future Meeting Dates were noted.

16. **Adjournment** – Trustee made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Trustee. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned by President Kringle at 9:24 PM.

By April Little, Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer

These minutes were approved by the Belleville Board of Trustees on May 2, 2011.