

RIO VILLAGE BOARD-November 2, 2020 at 6:00 pm

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 by Village President James Olrick. Present were Trustees Delbert Curtis, Jon Landsverk, Terry Milfred, Stan Stofflet, Nancy Wescott, Chief Jeff Becker and Library Director Roxanne Staveness were present.

Agenda:

MOTION Wescott/Landsverk to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes:

MOTION Milfred/Curtis to approve the minutes of the October 5 Board Meeting and the October 26 Committee meetings. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance Report and consider approval of:

A. Conditional use permit for David Tessmer at 343B Railroad Street, Parcel 292.9 to have a storage shed only on property.

DISCUSSION: Members reviewed the renewal request for the conditional use permit for Mr. Tessmer. Clerk Stone reported that no concerns had been reported.

MOTION Milfred/Stofflet to approve the Conditional use permit for David Tessmer at 343B Railroad Street, Parcel 292.9 to have a storage shed only on property to be reviewed annually. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Works Report:

A. Consider motion to approve Resolution 2020-06 to adopt the 2020 Columbia County All Hazards Mitigation Plan.

DISCUSSION: Members reviewed the resolution. An adopted all hazards mitigation plan is required by Federal Emergency Management Agency as a condition of future grant funding for mitigation projects.

MOTION Curtis/Landsverk to approve Resolution 2020-06 to adopt the 2020 Columbia County All Hazards Mitigation Plan. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Consider motion to approve rate increase for Sewer rates.

DISCUSSION: Members reviewed the rate increase as discussed at the last Committee meeting.

MOTION Stofflet/Landsverk to approve the rate increases as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

C. 2021 water and sewer budgets:

DISCUSSION: Members reviewed the budget.

MOTION Milfred/Stofflet to approve the 2021 water and sewer budgets. Motion carried unanimously.

Police:

A. Consider motion to approve contract for Columbia County Humane Society.

MOTION Stofflet/Milfred to approve the Columbia County Humane Society contract. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Consider motion to approve purchase of a Taser.

DISCUSSION: Chief Becker reported that he received information regarding a refurbished Taser that would have a one year warranty for the cost of \$599.00. Chief Becker reported that with the cost savings he would rather go the refurbished route to save the Village money.

MOTION Curtis/Landsverk to approve the purchase of a refurbished Taser with a cost of \$599.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Library Report:

Library Director Staveness gave the Library report.

Finance Report:**A. Invoices**

MOTION Stofflet/Milfred to approve the invoices. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Consider motion to approve Associated Appraisal Contract and reevaluation for the Village of Rio.

DISCUSSION: Clerk Stone updated the Board with the information from the Assessor's indicating that the communities that had scheduled a reevaluation for 2021 have rescheduled for 2022. Clerk Stone suggested having funds in the 2021 budget to apply towards the reevaluation to split the cost between two years. Members agreed waiting until 2022 made sense so that the assessor will be able to have access to the homes.

MOTION Stofflet/Milfred to approve the contract from Associated Appraisal Company and to approve conducting a full reevaluation for 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Consider motion to contract with Portage Glass Company to install hands free doors.

DISCUSSION: Members reviewed the proposal from Portage Glass Company to install the hands free doors. Members agreed to using Covid grant funds for the project. Discussion took place on whether it would be eligible for the funds. Clerk Stone reported that she believes that it should be. She received an email from MSA indicating it could be used for doors.

MOTION Landsverk/Stofflet to approve the contract with Portage Glass Company to install hands free doors. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Consider motion to approve routes to recovery grant expenses:

DISCUSSION: Members reviewed the list of COVID Grant related expenses that the Village has.

MOTION Curtis/Landsverk to approve the use of Routes to Recovery funds as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

E. Consider motion to approve preliminary budget for posting.

MOTION Milfred/Stofflet to approve the preliminary budget for posting. Motion carried unanimously.

Raise for Eric Wakeman

DISCUSSION: Members reviewed the request for a raise for Eric Wakeman of \$1.00.

MOTION Wescott/Stofflet to approve a raise for Eric Wakeman of \$1.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Village Trustee Position:

DISCUSSION: Members discussed the vacant Trustee position. Members agreed to place an ad as had been done previously when vacant positions became available. Members agreed to place an ad in the Rio Shopper requesting applicants submit a letter of interest. The ad would have 2 inserts on November 14 and again on November 21. The deadline for the Village to receive the letter of interest would be November 30. The Board would then decide at the December meeting when the new Trustee should begin the term.

MOTION Milfred/Curtis to approve placing 2 ads for the vacant trustee position. Motion carried unanimously.

Rio Fire Association:

President Olrick updated the Village Board on the purchase of the ambulance from the Town of Madison. The cost of the ambulance was \$20,000.00. The cost of the power cot alone exceeds the cost of the ambulance. The Fire Department will use the chassis of the ambulance for a brush truck and the box of

the ambulance will be sold. The grant that the Fire Department applied for heart monitors and air packs for the Fire Department was denied. A DNR grant was received for new Radios.

Upcoming Meetings:

The Committee meeting will be held on Monday, November 30 at 6:00 pm at the Village Hall and the Village Board meeting will be held on December 7 at 6:00 pm.

MOTION Wescott/Landsverk to adjourn at 6:49 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Recording: Amy Stone, Clerk