



Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes

Date: March 9, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

Location: Virtual via Zoom

Members Present: President - J Steen
MK Baum
K Venden
M Casper
R Short
J Garner
S Vosberg

Staff Present: Deputy Clerk - H Roessler
J Brindley
T Cullen

Staff Absent: M Gorham

1. Meeting Opening

1.d Adoption of Agenda

Motion by MK Baum, Seconded by R Short, to approve adoption of this meeting agenda.
Motion carried.

1.e Public Comment

Tanner Cullen asked about the breezeway covers behind the former school building.

2. Consent Agenda

Motion by M Casper, Seconded by K Venden, to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

2.a Minutes to be approved

3. Business

3.a Midwest Meter - Steve Dauster

Steve Dauster was present to discuss the recommended meter reading software upgrade to Beacon as the village's current ReadCenter software is no longer supported and does not allow for inputting information for newer transmitters. The new software has a lot of good features and provides better service. It was advised that the village will need to upgrade their software to maintain functionality.

Alternatives and timelines for the replacement of transmitters, meters, and/or software were discussed. To replace the handheld meter reader it would cost approximately \$9,000. A software upgrade in 2020 is approximately \$7,000 and is cloud based with additional features and the handheld reader isn't required. A software upgrade would allow for a choice to be made when the village's current transmitters batteries fail to upgrade the transmitters to ones with more functionality and service at that time or replace with the same type of transmitters which requires the handheld reading device.

3.b Finance Committee Recommendations for Clerk/Treasurer, Deputy Clerk Posting, and Consultant

Motion by K Venden, Seconded by MK Baum, to award the position of Village Clerk/Treasurer to Hailey Roessler, effective March 5, 2021 at the same rate of pay as the outgoing Clerk/Treasurer. Motion carried.

Motion by R Short, Seconded by MK Baum, to retain Lori Phelan's services as a temporary consultant for the Village of Ridgeway as requested. Motion carried.

3.c 2021 Board of Review Training and Other Trainings for Local Government Officials

Trustee Mary Kay Baum will complete the training this year.

3.d Electronics Recycling Event

Jeff Brindley volunteered to organize the event and volunteered to staff it. Pricing and dates were discussed. The trip charge limits fundraising opportunities. Roessler will ask Faherty to arrange for a cleanup event on Saturday, May 22nd as a service to residents.

5. Adjournment

Motion by K Venden, Seconded by MK Baum, to Adjourn at 7:44 pm. Motion carried.