

THE VILLAGE OF GAYS MILLS

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Village Board of Gays Mills held Monday, August 1, 2022, which began at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Commerce Board Room.

Village President Harry Heisz called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following present: Ethan Eitsert, Harry Heisz, Larry McCarn, Kevin Murray, and Lee Ruegg. Josh Kasinskas was absent.

The board received verification that the agenda was posted in accordance with the open meeting law.

No citizens or delegations.

No Public Works report was given.

Evan Chambers of Town & Country Engineering was present to give the Wastewater Treatment Facility project update. The board was provided a handout of a comfort resolution; after discussion Murray made a motion to adopt Resolution 2022-05 to Declare Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures for New Wastewater Treatment Facility Project. Seconded by McCarn. Motion carried. This resolution will allow the use of funds from existing municipal accounts for expenditures for the wastewater treatment project as needed until bond proceeds become available. Due to board members having scheduling conflicts the wastewater plant visits need to be rescheduled. Evan will reschedule for the 9th and 16th of August. After the visits the board will schedule a special meeting to discuss facilities.

Swimming Pool Manager Samuel Gallagher gave the July swimming pool report with no incidents. The staff is planning on closing the pool on August 17th with the possibility of opening for the weekend. There will be an end of year pool party on Saturday the 13th with a cookout.

Larry reported for the Development Committee – the last of the residential lots have been finished with lot number markers.

No kitchen report was given.

Ruegg made a motion to approve the board meeting minutes of July 11, 2022. Seconded by Murray. Motion carried.

McCarn made a motion to approve payment of the bills as listed in the monthly expense report. Seconded by Murray. Motion carried.

No action on old business agenda items – Dam Buildings west of Kickapoo River and Office Furniture replacement.

Under park improvements the board scheduled a special meeting to walk through the park on Thursday August 4th at 6pm. The Friends of Gays Mills will also join in this meeting. The Lion's Club has made improvements to the benches in the Log Cabin Park.

Josh Kasinskas was present at 6:19 p.m.

Kevin Murray reported for the Log Cabin agenda item. Shelly is still working on creating a group to discuss options for the cabins. Murray asked if he could get an estimate from Kickapoo Craftsman on properly tearing down cabins? The board verbally agreed on getting an estimate. Charley Preusser provided contact information to Murray on people who were involved in the original build of cabins. The board agreed for the public works department to secure the log cabins.

Murray made a motion to adopt Ordinance Amendment 2022-02 of Sections 10-4-4(a)(4) and 10-4-10 of the Municipal Code of the Village of Gays Mills, Crawford County, Wisconsin, Relating to the Authorization of ATV and UTV Routes on Bridges and the Adoption of an Additional ATV/UTV Route. Seconded by Ruegg. Motion carried.

This approval allows:

- The crossing on bridges in the most direct manner practicable and at a place where no obstruction prevents a quick and safe crossing.
- Stay as far to the right of the roadway or shoulder as practicable.
- Stop the vehicle prior to crossing bridge.
- Yield the right of way to other vehicles, pedestrians, electric scooters, and electric personal assistive mobility devices using the roadway or shoulder.
- Exit the highway as quickly and safely as practicable after crossing the bridge.
- Route Del la Mater Road to East Grove Street

Crawford County also needs to adopt these changes before final Department of Transportation's approval.

Ruegg made a motion to approve operator's license application for Kent Roberts. Seconded by Kasinskas. Motion carried.

No correspondences.

The next regular board meeting has been moved to Tuesday, September 6th at 6:00 p.m. due to Labor Day on Monday the 5th.

At 6:31 p.m. McCarn made a motion to convene into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Stat. 19.85 (1)(e) for the purpose of deliberating the purchasing of property. Invited into closed session – Evan Chambers. Seconded by Murray. Motion carried.

At 6:52 p.m. the board addressed the closed session item pursuant to Wisconsin State Stat. 19.85 (1)(c) for the purpose of employment review and policy review.

At 7:47 p.m. Ruegg made a motion to reconvene into open session. Seconded by Kasinskas. Motion carried.

Murray made a motion to clarify allowable hours for weekend grave openings for the public works department for up to eight hours for a full burial and four hours for a cremation burial. Seconded by Eitsert. Motion carried.

Murray made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Seconded by McCarn. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted
Dawn R. McCann, Clerk
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