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VILLAGE OF PEPIN BOARD MEETING

Village of Pepin Municipal Building

Monday April 8th, 2024, at 7:00pm

MINUTES -

1. **Call Meeting to Order**-Randy called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
2. **Roll Call**-Randy Kallstrom, Pat Sandstrom, Vicki Kosok, Shannon VanAllen, Mike Michaud were Present. Carrie Arens and Toni Raethke attended via zoom. Others present were Julie Wheeler, Tracy Rundquist, Jon Seifert, Jesse Van Alstine, Jeff Heit.
3. **Thank You Carrie Arens**-Randy took a moment to thank Carrie Arens for her many years of service on the Village Board. Carrie had decided to step down and not run for re-election on April 2nd. Her time as a trustee is appreciated, she will be missed. Also, Randy thanked all the election workers for their hard work in making the election run smoothly.
4. **Public Comments**-Dan Fedie asked about the grant for Beach cleanup. He noticed that there is a lot of grass on the beach, and they should get someone with a landscape rake to clean that up before the water rises. Toni confirmed that the beach committee did receive a grant for \$12,650.00 and thanked Dan for the information. Larry Stahl asked why the Village allows people to put up markers at the edge of their property in the winter? Where is the snow supposed to go. There are no rules on this, we may need to set some guideline as to how close they can be placed. Pat Sandstrom informed everyone that the Tourism Commission will be hosting their 3rd annual open house April 17th at the Villa Bellezza from 5-7. There will also be maps handed out for some of our local short-term rentals for Tours following the open house.
5. **Clerk's Report**- Approval of amended 02.12.24 minutes and 03.12.2024 minutes. First was February 12 minutes. A **motion** was made by Mike to approve the 2.12.2024 minutes as amended. **Second** By Pat. All ayes, Motion approved. Next was March 12th minutes. A **motion** was made by Pat to approve the 3.12.2024 minutes. **Second** by Vicki. All ayes, motion approved.
6. **Treasurer's Report**- Approval of Treasurer's Report. A **motion** was made by Shannon to approve the treasurer's report as presented. **Second** by Vicki/Toni. All ayes, motion approved.
7. **Pepin Days/Jeremy Marcks**-Discussion/Action on getting permission to use 207 Lake St. lot for Pepin Days. Jeremy Marcks informed the board that he along with the Lions club, Fire dept., and Lake Pepin Peppi's are wanting permission to use the 207 Lake Street lot to host Pepin Day on August 10th. This would be an event much like "back in the day". There would be a potential fishing contest, bingo, Lion's club chicken,

bean bags, street dance, etc. The set-up would be Friday and clean-up on Sunday. There was discussion on some of the details to figure out, one of which is event insurance. After discussion, a **motion** was made by Randy to approve the use of the 207 Lake St. lot for Pepin Days. **Second** by Shannon. All ayes, motion approved.

8. **Police Report**-The police report was provided in the packet. No questions for Jesse. Jesse did give a reminder that Flood Run is the 3rd Saturday of April. Also, May 4th weekend is 100-mile garage sale weekend, and they were notified that the Villa Bellezza has 2 Car events that same weekend. So, things may get more congested.
9. **Ambulance Report**-The ambulance reports were provided in the packet. Tina was available via zoom. One question for Tina was, do we understand the runs report correctly? No township runs were made. The answer was yes.
10. **Fire Department Report**-Dustin was present and read off his report. Membership has decreased by one. Current membership is 10 active and 1 inactive (due to an injury that is not FD related) Three applications have been requested. Equipment update was made and Recent Events also. No upcoming events as the Wheel Rally event was cancelled.
11. **Attorney's Report**-Consults with the village president on Boat launch bidding process. Ordinance enforcement, and that's about it, nothing noteworthy.
12. **Zoning Administrator**-The zoning report was provided in the packet. One permit was issued. Updates-106 main St. building has been removed and cleaned up. And discussion on Pine Street out lot issue.
13. **AYRES**- Approval of design and bidding phase discussion/action. Randy updated the board on the boat landing meeting that took place on April 4th, 2024. Ayres reviewed the design plans with the committee and some sportsman's members. Bonding and insurance are completed. The boat landing committee approved the design plans with a few changes to bring to the board for approval. One of the changes was to consider changing the angle of the ramp a little more easterly. After consideration Ayres decided it is best to leave the ramp parallel to the existing ramp. The bidding process will open on Thursday April 11th, and close on Thursday April 25th at 3:00PM. Bids will be opened at a public meeting on the 25th of April at 3:00PM. After some discussion, **motion** was made by Vicki to approve the design and bidding phase from Ayres. **Second** by Carrie. All ayes, Motion approved.
14. **CUP/LUCR Applications**- Approval of Draft CUP application and Changes to LUCR application, discussion/action. Draft CUP application and changes to the current LUCR application were presented to the board by the clerk for approval. After looking at the applications, the decision was made to table this for another meeting to thoroughly go through and consider some changes to the drafts. Suggestion to maybe create a fee schedule as well.
15. **Public Comments**-Jeremy Marcks asked what the village has planned for the 207 Lake St. lot. Is it going to remain open? The answer is that nothing has been decided yet. Dan Fedie spoke up and reminded everyone that these things all have to go before the planning commission, when making changes to real estate. Jeremy also asked about bringing gravel in or what could be done before Pepin Days to ensure the ground wouldn't turn into a mud pit if it rains. It is on the Buildings, Property, & Parks agenda for Thursday April 11th. Dan Fedie asked about the PACC's invitation letter that went out for the meet the candidate's event. In the letter it said something

about supporting the village park campaign. What is that? The answer is nobody at the village knows what that is. Dan also asked about the piece of property that the Verizon tower was going to be put on. What happened to that? The answer is that Verizon had started the process with the village regarding placing a tower, but that process never materialized.

16. **Set Next Board meeting date and Reorganizational meeting date.** The next regular board meeting will be May 13th at 7:00PM. The reorganizational meeting will be Tuesday April 30th at 7:00PM.
17. **Adjourn -Motion** to adjourn was made by Shannon. **Second** by Pat. All ayes, meeting adjourned.

Julie Wheeler-Village Clerk