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## VILLAGE OF PEPIN BOARD MEETING

Village of Pepin Municipal Building  
Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 7:00pm

### MINUTES

1. President Randy Kallstrom called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.
2. **Roll Call-** Village President Randy Kallstrom, Village Board Members Shannon Van Allen, Vicki Kosok, Mike Michaud, Pat Sandstrom, Toni Raethke, and Carrie Arens.  
**Other-** Drew Adams- Clerk, Tracy Rundquist- Treasurer, Tina Cook- Ambulance, Steve Westman, John Hurtley, Debra Fisher, Larry Stahl, Larry Wahlund, Jeremy Marcks, Anne Murray, Dan & Sue Fedie, and David Vance.
3. **Public Comment-**
  - Dan Fedie was curious about who should see to the repairs needed on the welcome signs on the edges of the Village. Village will investigate.
  - Anne Murray asked about plans for beach cleanup. Toni will look at it, and Jesse recommended checking with the fire department for help.
  - Larry Wahlund voiced his displeasure over the fact that parking passes are now needed at sportsman's landing, where he likes to park and fish. Ordinance Committee will investigate possibly creating some handicap parking spots that would not require the passes.
  - Pat encouraged the Board to state their names before making motions so that office staff has an easier time identifying who spoke.
4. **Treasurer's Report-** **Motion** by Mike to approve Treasurer's report, **second** by Toni. All in favor, motion carried.
5. **Police Report-** Jesse said that 2 local lock boxes, one at the campground and the other at the Laura Ingalls Wilder Museum, had the cash stolen out of them. An arrest has been made. He encouraged people to lock their items up. At the beginning of the month Handy Mart had a gas drive-off, as well as a masked man caught on camera trying to enter the closed building at 5:00 a.m. There have also been issues lately with people purposely driving cars the wrong way across a one-way railroad crossing near the marina. The County Sheriff is aware of it, as are the railroad police, and tickets will be issued if anyone is caught doing that. Jesse also has a new receptionist in his office, Billie Jo Steele.
6. **Ambulance Report-** Tina met with the new owners of the nursing home. The owners are okay having employees work while being on-call for the ambulance crew, if they are well staffed. Tina has also been looking into fundraising ideas for a new ambulance rig. She is hoping to travel to Green Bay later this month to look at a

model of a new rig and is exploring the possibility of getting a loaner rig in the meantime. She suggested raising the pay rate for the ambulance volunteers, as it is currently only \$1.00 per hour.

7. **Zoning Administrator's Report-** No report this month as Roy was out of state.
8. **Attorney's Report-** No report this month as Jon was on vacation.
9. **PACC Request-** Item tabled as Roy was gone and no one from PACC was present.
10. **TIF Committee Update-**
  - a. **Nursing Home-** Toni has been working with Ehler's on the financial analysis of nursing home's TIF application.
  - b. **Boat Ramp-** She is also waiting to hear if TIF money could be put toward the boat ramp.
11. **Utilities Committee Update-** After the recent audit by Focus on Energy, it was determined that replacing 22 of the old high pressure sodium light fixtures on Highway 35 with LED lamps would be a good way to save money on the electric bill. It would cut the electric bill for the streetlights in half. There is money from the TID account that can be spent on streetlights. Backwoods Electric is willing to install new lamps, and both Focus on Energy and Xcel Energy would both provide rebates totaling \$75.00 per light fixture. Cost of installation would then total \$9,800.00 and it would be paid for within 6 years. **Motion** by Mike to authorize the expenditure of up to \$12,000.00 of TID 3 monies to upgrade 22 streetlights on Highway 45 to LED lighting, **second** by Vicki. All in favor, motion carried.
12. **Alcohol and Cigarette Licenses-** Clerk and Treasurer have both received proper paperwork and payments from local businesses that have applied for renewal of their liquor licenses. Notice of renewals were posted in the newspaper as well as around town. **Motion** by Randy to accept the Liquor License renewals as they were listed on the official notice, **second** by Toni. All in favor, motion carried.
13. **Public Comments-** David Vance thanked the Board for their support of RiverTime, his new wine bar in the Village. He has been overwhelmed by the community support he has received since opening.
14. **Set Next Meeting Date-** Next meeting date set for Monday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.
15. **Adjourn-** **Motion** by Randy to adjourn at 7:48 PM, **second** by Toni. All in favor, motion carried.

Drew Adams  
Clerk