

Council Minutes  
VILLAGE OF MADISON  
Regular Council Meeting  
September 8, 2015

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

Mayor Britton called the meeting to order at 7:30PM.

Mayor Britton invited all in attendance to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Mayor Britton requested that everyone observe a moment of silence. Council Members Mr. Frager, Mr. Hamercheck, Mr. Donaldson, Mr. Mabe, Mr. Cahill, Mr. Takacs and Mr. Vest were in attendance. Also in attendance were Administrator Dwayne Bailey, Fiscal Officer Kristie Crockett, Law Director Mr. Szeman and Village Engineer Mr. Haibach. Police Chief Dawn Shannon was absent.

**MINUTES**

Mayor Britton announced minutes to be approved for the Council Meeting held on August 3, 2015.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Vest, seconded by Mr. Hamercheck.

Questions/Discussions – Mr. Hamercheck requested that an amendment be made to a quote by him on page three. He requested that the sentence be amended to read “not only when pigs fly, and they are regularly scheduled flights”.

Roll call on approval with above noted amendment, 7 yeas. Motion carried.

Mayor Britton announced minutes to be approved for the Council Meeting held on August 17, 2015.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Donaldson, seconded by Mr. Vest.

Questions/Discussions – None

Roll call on approval, 6 yeas, 1 abstention (Vest) Motion carried.

**PAY ORDINANCE**

Mayor Britton presented Pay Ordinance No. 2329: \$34,099.00 for payroll and \$120,000.65 for current and upcoming expenses, for a total of \$154,099.65.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Takacs, seconded by Mr. Donaldson.

Questions/Discussions – None

Roll call on approval, 7 yeas. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS - None**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION 20 - 2015: - A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)**

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Motion for suspension made by Mr. Vest, seconded by Mr. Donaldson.

Questions/Discussions – None

Roll call on suspension, 7 yeas. Resolution suspended.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Takacs, seconded by Mr. Mabe.

Questions/Discussions – None

Roll call on approval, 7 yeas. Motion carried.

**GENERAL REQUESTS** – A P.O. Request to Odyssey Environmental Services in the amount of \$18,740.00 for the ditch cleaning of oxidation ditch 3 at the WWTP.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Vest, seconded by Mr. Hamercheck.

Questions/Discussions – Mr. Bailey stated that this is the last one for this year and added that ditch number 4 will need to be cleaned in 2016. These funds were budgeted for in the permanent appropriations. Mr. Takacs asked why ditch 4 is being pushed off until next year when it was budgeted for in 2015. Mr. Bailey explained that the cleaning of the grit in the sludge lagoon and the replacement of the aerator was funded from some of the permanent appropriations dollars that were earmarked for the cleaning of ditch 4. Mr. Hamercheck asked how this price compares to the costs associated with cleaning ditches 1 and 2. Mr. Bailey stated that it is close and added that Odyssey has come in lower than the estimates provided on both previous cleanings. Mr. Hamercheck asked if it would improve our relationship with the EPA to go ahead with the cleaning of ditch 4 before the end of 2015. Mr. Bailey will explore that option and speak with Mr. Borsi. Mr. Hamercheck noted that we have failed to do what we were supposed to in the past in the eyes of the EPA that it would be nice to exceed their expectations when we can. Mr. Bailey stated that he feels that it is not a rush in his opinion and added that we are in a good position with the EPA at this time. Discussion took place regarding additional appropriations needed to fund the cleaning of ditch 4 as well as if there would be a cost savings to have ditch 4 cleaned at the same time as the cleaning of ditch 3. Mr. Donaldson questioned the fuel surcharge on the estimate was typical. Mr. Haibach stated that companies added those charges when the fuel costs spiked several years ago and they have not gone away.

Roll call on approval, 7 yeas. Motion carried.

A request from the floor approval of \$9,000.00 to CT Consultants for the design of the Hyder Drive detention basin.

Motion for approval made by Mr. Vest, seconded by Mr. Frager.

Questions/Discussions – Mr. Bailey stated that we have received permission from Mr. Sidley to go onto his property and begin removing trees so we are able to complete the engineering study. This request is contingent on the approval from Lake County Stormwater for reimbursement. After the design is complete, the next step will be to sit down with the land owner and obtain their authorization to proceed with construction and then obtain the necessary easements. Mr. Takacs asked if the maintenance costs associated with the detention basin will be the responsibility of the Village. Mr. Bailey stated that would depend on the terms of the agreement with Mr. Sidley. Mr. Bailey added that the Village is the only entity receiving benefit from the installation of the basin at this time so he would think that the maintenance of the basin would be our responsibility until that land becomes developed in the future; which at that time the maintenance costs might be spread amongst the property owner(s).

Roll call on approval, 7 yeas. Motion carried.

**VISITORS COMMENT** – Mr. Craig Winkleman (444 Oak Hollow) stated that at the last meeting he understood that the waterline to tie into River Road would only benefit about 20 residents and will cost \$500,000.00 with another \$800,000.00 that was previously owed. Mr. Bailey stated that the design for this project was completed prior to his coming to the Village. He stated that the general benefit is to create a loop system and to expand the system to improve the quality of service available to our residents. Mr. Bailey stated that while the new line will provide service to approximately 20 additional customers, there will be a boundary valve installed giving us the option to shut down our pumps as well as make up for a lack of having a storage tank in service. In addition, at some point in the future with a little bit of engineering work, it gives us the ability to relocate valves to optimize the cost associated with pumping water from the north booster pump station. Mr. Bailey stated that the Village will be able to recoup some of the waterline costs when a new customer taps into the line. Mr. Bailey stated that we intend to deed that portion of the line to the County once the debt service has been satisfied barring any annexation that occurs prior to that time. Mr. Cahill asked what the cost savings to the current residents of the Village with the implementation of the waterline project from route 307 to River Road. Mr. Bailey replied that there is no cost savings to the residents and stated that this is an infrastructure project and it will provide a service improvement in water pressure without having to pump it ourselves. Mr. Haibach stated that it will also provide us with a very valuable backup to our system. Mr. Cahill asked if that pipeline will have the ability to pump water north of the south booster pump station. Mr. Bailey and Mr. Haibach confirmed. Mr. Cahill asked if there is an appropriate bypass installed. Mr. Haibach confirmed. Discussion took place regarding the possible movement of the valves to optimize the balance on the demand of the pumps. Mr. Cahill asked what the time frame is to be able to decrease water rates. Mr. Bailey stated that he does not see the opportunity to reduce water rates within the next five years but added that they should remain and not increase. Once the five year term is complete, we may be able to look at reducing the rates. The rates are analyzed annually. Mr. Hamercheck stated that there is not a bypass installed at the south booster pump station; only isolation valves and he added that there are check valves in place that prevent us from being able to run water north. Discussion about the bypass and the ability to run water north of I-90 took place. Mr. Vest asked why the bypass issue was not brought up prior to now. Mr. Hamercheck stated that this has been talked about for months. Mr. Vest stated that he has not heard about this prior to now. Mr. Hamercheck stated that that he feels that less than 20 customers will be served with the implementation of the waterline a added that he feels the chances of recovering the \$500,000.00 are ‘slim and none and that is going to go right next door to the pig airport’. Mr. Bailey added that we can move forward with the agreement without completing the waterline project; it has no effect on the agreement. Mr. Bailey stated that he and Mr. Haibach will look into the cost of putting in a bypass and report back to Council. Mr. Frager asked the members of the former Utilities Committee when the reduction of rates that Mr. Cahill is referring to was ever discussed as he does not recall it being brought before Council. Mr. Mabe and Mr. Hamercheck stated that there were no discussions. Mr. Cahill did not provided an answer.

Kathy Lynn (209 West Main) asked for confirmation that the waterline project being discussed was originally supposed to be the first part of the entire project but that was put aside once the leak under I-90 was discovered. Council confirmed. She stated that Mr. Hamercheck was the ‘biggest pusher’ of the project then and now he does not want the Village to move forward with it and asked what has changed. Mr. Hamercheck stated that with the way it is being constructed

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the Village is not deriving a benefit from it and added that the way it was to be configured with the County was that we would still own it and we would be able to charge for anything running through it. Mr. Hamercheck stated that this agreement is no longer an M.O.U. but is an actual legally binding contract. Mrs. Lynn asked if the work at the south booster pump station is complete. It was stated that there are a few switches that need to be installed.

Mr. Winkleman asked if the new truck has been ordered. It was stated that the truck has been delivered and will be ready for winter.

Mr. Winkleman stated that at a previous meeting, a resident asked about the Village insurance company being able to cover the legal expenses for the law suit regarding the former fire station. At that time it was unclear if the insurance company would be reimbursing the Village for any legal costs. Mr. Winkleman asked if there was an update. Mr. Szeman stated that the Village does not have insurance to cover such an expense but added that we have an umbrella that covers up to \$5,000.00 in defense legal costs. Mr. Bailey stated that we recently received that check from the insurance company. It was stated that is the only coverage for this expense.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

**Engineer** (given by Mr. Haibach) - Mr. Haibach stated that the items that he was planning on reporting have already been discussed.

**Senior Center** – (given by Director Carol Billetter) – Mrs. Billetter reported that two new part time employees recently started at the center. Combined they will work no more than forty hours per pay period. This will give Mrs. Billetter more time to focus on programming and membership.

The center currently has 400 members with a daily visit count of 39. 33 members have joined since June.

Four Perry High School seniors began their senior project at the center. They will be on site on Tuesdays and Thursdays throughout the school year and will perform a variety of duties/projects both inside and outside of the center.

Mrs. Billetter reported that the Higgins trust has matured and the center will be receiving approximately \$37,000.00 from that donation.

Mrs. Billetter stated that the seniors held their garage sale recently and profited \$1,300.00. They are preparing for their craft show in October. They had a July 4<sup>th</sup> picnic and participated in all of the concerts in the park. There was a safety preparedness program conducted at the center in conjunction with Chief Lutz. It was well attended.

Mrs. Billetter and Mrs. Crockett submitted the budget request to the Lake County Commissioners for 2016 in July. The report from the consultants that are working with the commissioner's will have their report out at the end of October; delayed from the early September date that was originally announced. Mr. Takacs complimented the center on the latest

newsletter. He stated that it is immensely better that the newsletter that the center used to put out.

**Administration Report** – Mr. Bailey announced the grand opening/ribbon cutting for Arcadia GlassHouses on September 3<sup>rd</sup> was a success. Senator Jon Eklund was in attendance and Congressman Dave Joyce sent a proclamation marking the occasion. Mr. Bailey commended Mr. Kenyon and his staff for all of the work put into the building and wished them success.

Mr. Bailey reported that road salt prices will be approximately \$50.00 per ton.

Mr. Bailey reported that all quotes are in for the base repairs that Council approved at the last meeting. We will be able to complete approx. 5,000 square feet of base repairs mainly in the Parkway area.

**Misc. Reports/Comments:** - Mr. Vest stated that he received documentation from Josh Mandell regarding Open Checkbook and asked Council to consider giving the administration the ability to look into it to increase transparency. Mr. Bailey stated that he will look into any municipalities that are using it to see how it is working for them.

**Mayor's Report:** -

Upcoming dates:

Mon.	Sept. 14 <sup>th</sup>	Planning and Zoning meeting 7:00pm
Mon.	Sept. 21 <sup>st</sup>	Committee of the Whole meeting 6:30pm
Mon.	Sept. 21 <sup>st</sup>	Regular Council Meeting 7:30pm
Mon.	Oct. 5 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Council Meeting 7:30pm
Mon.	Oct. 12 <sup>th</sup>	Planning and Zoning meeting 7:00pm
Mon.	Oct. 19 <sup>th</sup>	Committee of the Whole meeting 6:30pm
Mon.	Oct. 19 <sup>th</sup>	Regular Council Meeting 7:30pm

Motion to adjourn at 8:13pm made by Mr. Takacs, seconded by Mr. Vest.  
Roll call on adjournment, 7 yeas. Meeting adjourned.

  
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Sam Britton Jr., Mayor

  
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Kenneth D. Takacs, Council President

9-21-15  
DATE

Attested:

  
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Kristie M. Crockett, Fiscal Officer

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