



7650 N. Pheasant Lane • River Hills, WI 53217

December 05, 2023 Minutes, 3:30 p.m.

1. **Call to Order** for the meeting was at 3:30 p.m.

2. **Roll Call** was answered by Liza Hauske, Kristin Severson, Candy Pindyck, Mary Ann LaBahn, Donald Baumgartner and Jill Pelisek. Dick Glaisner attended via zoom. Glen Hackmann and Ed Zore were absent and excused. Also present were Village President Christopher Noyes, NS Library Director Rhonda Gould, NS Library Asst. Director Hailey , Police Lt. Mike Gaynor, DPW Superintendent Craig Schroeder, and Village Manager Tammy LaBorde.

3. **Approval of the December 6, 2022 meeting minutes**
Motion by Glaisner and seconded by LaBahn to approve as submitted; motion carried unanimously.

4. **Financial statements as of November 30, 2023**
Treasurer Candy Pindyck reviewed the updated financial statement and treasurer's report that each member received. The report includes balances through October 31, 2023. LaBahn requested that in the future the report show the prior year on the Treasurer's report. Glaisner requested that a report showing the donations received for the last ten years be prepared and presented.
Motion by Glaisner and seconded by Severson to approve the financials as submitted; motion carried unanimously.

5. **Discussion/Action regarding By-laws revision regarding number of Directors**
President Hauske stated that with the resignation of Anne Vogel, it was suggested that the by-laws be revised to have "up to 11" directors" in order to address not having a

total of 11 directors. The following language was proposed for Article III under Number, Term, Appointment – “The number of Directors of the Corporation shall be not less than five nor more than eleven as determined from time to time by the Board of Directors”. LaBahn noted that she will look for the original version of the by-laws. She also noted that there was language that stated what types of programs funds were to be used for.

Motion by Severson and seconded by Pindyck to approve the amendment to Article III of the by-laws to replace the current sentence as proposed; motion carried unanimously.

6. Village Hall reimbursement for mailing

Motion by Glaisner and seconded by Baumgartner to approve item 6 for \$433.89; motion carried unanimously.

7. Requests for Funding

Annual Village Event - Evening at the Audubon

Village President Christopher Noyes provided an update on the Evening at the Audubon that was held this past September. He stated that thanks to Peggy Russo this event continues to be a success. He stated the event was attended by approximately 100 residents and helps to recognize the village’s status as a Tree City, Bird City and Monarch Butterfly City. In order to continue to provide this event, the request is for \$5,000. The event helps to provide new residents the opportunity to meet others in the community. They are also looking to provide more family activities in the future. A Social Committee has been created to provide the event. The Foundation suggested that the committee find sponsors and residents to donate to this event in the future.

Motion by Glaisner, seconded by Baumgartner to approve up to \$5,000 for the annual River Hills event at the Audubon and the Social Committee should seek donations and sponsors to help fund the event; motion carried unanimously.

Police Department

Lieutenant Mike Gaynor presented a proposal for the purchase of Air Soft hand guns and equipment with optics that use air soft pellets for firing. This equipment would permit the department to train with more realistic equipment which would cause no damage to the surroundings. The department currently trains in environments such as schools and churches however they cannot use any weapon as it would cause damage to the surroundings. The air soft equipment shoots sponge type pellets which would not cause damage. The addition of these training tools will greatly increase the department's readiness for use of force situations. The department is requesting a total of \$2,485.

Motion by Pelisek and seconded by LaBahn to approve \$2,485 donation for Air Soft guns and equipment for the department; motion carried unanimously.

North Shore Library

Director Rhonda Gould provided an update on fundraising efforts for the new North Shore Library to be located at the corner of Brown Deer Road & Port Washington Road in Bayside. The NS Library is requesting another match of \$20,000 to contribute toward the remaining \$3.8 million needed to fund the construction of the NS Library. The Board requested that the Director contact the other communities for contributions and then come back to the Board since the Foundation had already made a contribution of \$20,000 and no other Foundation had made such a contribution. It was suggested that once additional information is available related to fundraising by the other communities, that she come back to the foundation for the request.

Director Rhonda Gould requested \$7,500 for the purchase of a new fax/scan station to provide an additional service for patrons. They receive a number of requests from patrons to fax information and unfortunately there aren't a lot of places to send a fax for medical, legal and governmental related matters. The cost would be \$0.25 per page and they would charge \$1.00 per page. She stated that the equipment budget for

the library was \$2,000 and she was trying not to take away from purchasing books and other items. The Board asked if the Library had made any requests from the other communities for funding this item. The Board will consider a donation to the project once the Library has received commitments from the other communities.

Public Works

Public Works Superintendent Craig Schroeder presented a proposal to expand the memorial garden north onto Village property and plant additional trees. The department would rent a machine that would grind buckthorn and stumps to clear the land which would cost \$2,500. He would then like to plant a variety of trees which would cost \$2,500. He is requesting a total of \$5,000.

Motion by Baumgartner and seconded by Severson to approve the \$5,000 donation for the expansion of the Memorial Garden; motion carried unanimously.

8. Adjournment

Motion by Pindyck and seconded by Severson to adjourn at 4:47 p.m.; motion carried unanimously.

Created by Clerk Tammy LaBorde on December 8, 2023.