

VILLAGE OF CHENEQUA

CHENEQUA VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
MINUTES OF MONDAY, AUGUST 13, 2012.
Unofficial until approved by the Village Board.
Approved as written () or with corrections () on 7-10-12.

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Chenequa was held at 7:00 p.m. on **Monday, August 13, 2012**, at the Village Hall, 31275 W. Hwy K, Chenequa, Wisconsin. Legal requirements for notification of the news media were met. The following Village Board Members were in attendance:

Mr. Robert T. Foote, Jr. / President – present
Ms. Jo Ann Villavicencio / Trustee – absent
Ms. Susan Wilkey / Trustee – present
Ms. Carol Manegold / Trustee – present
Ms. Dwyn Von Bereghy / Trustee – present
Mr. Jack MacDonough / Trustee – present
Mr. Bronson Haase / Trustee – present
Attorney Michelle Wagner Ebben / Village Attorney – present
Mr. Robert Douglas / Administrator/Police Chief – present
Ms. Pamela Ann Little / Clerk/Treasurer - present

Attendance

Thomas Rolfs, Beachy Gallagher, Bruce Gallagher, Steve Mayer, Jeff Kante, Brian Suffene and Jeffrey A. Thornton.

The Chenequa Village Board may enter into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute §19.85 (1) (e) deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Participating in the closed session will be the Village Board, Village Attorney, Village Administrator, Bruce & Beachy Gallagher and the Village Clerk.

Motion (Haase/MacDonough) to go into closed session at 7:02 p.m., Von Bereghy (aye); Manegold (aye); MacDonough (aye); Haase (aye); Foote (aye); and Wilkey (aye); *Carried Unanimously.*

Reconvene into open session and consider any action resulting from closed session.

Motion (Manegold/Von Bereghy) to reconvene into open session at 7:29 p.m. *Carried Unanimously.*

Action in Closed Session: A motion was made (MacDonough/Manegold) to accept an offer to purchase on the sale of 14.8 acres of public property in the Village of Chenequa. *Carried Unanimously.*

Public Comment

None

Approve Minutes of the July 9, 2012 Village Board Meeting.

Motion (Manegold/Wilkey) to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2012 Village Board meeting. *Carried Unanimously.*

Presentation and discussion by Marine Bio-Chem and SEWRPC regarding lake weeds management.

Forester Jeff Kante introduced our guest speakers, Dr. Jeffrey A. Thornton of the Southeastern Regional Plan Commission (SEWRPC) and Brian Suffern from Marine Biochemists.

Dr. Thornton provided an overview of the weather cycle we are currently in. He went on to explain that because of our very short winter, very little snow cover and the sunlight penetrating down into the water right from the very early part of this year, the aquatic plants thrived. Eurasian milfoil likes cool water temperatures and grows very well under these conditions. Spring came early this year which gave Eurasian milfoil an advantage. Dr. Thornton is seeing an abundance of this across the entire southern Wisconsin area, particularly southeastern Wisconsin. There have been a lot of concerns by lake communities about the super abundant growth of milfoil. It has been a very long growing season. Symptoms of early fall are already showing. Additionally, other desirable weeds are growing as profusely as the Eurasian milfoil.

Mr. Suffern from Marine Biochemists then spoke next. Mr. Suffern has been with Marine Biochemists for 28 years and has very good knowledge of the lake. The first 14-15 years, he performed all treatment work on Pine Lake. Mr. Suffern advised he performed a pre-treatment survey prior to Memorial Day. Today, he spent approximately four hours on the lake mapping the worst sections where the milfoil was in abundance and what was on the existing permit. He noted there were large beds of similar nature, up to the surface, where you would be chopping them up in sizes of 2-3 acres. The lake is yielding significant areas of milfoil growth. Milfoil will naturally fragment itself and could drift and re-root. As a result, new plants could establish themselves throughout the lake. As a tool to minimize milfoil growth and to do this safely without negative impact to plant or wildlife, the DNR permits the use of a product called "2-4-D." This granular form allows the chemical to stay in a designated area to provide localized treatment with less chemical application. When working in smaller areas, the granular is less likely to drift away but when working in larger areas a liquid treatment is better. The dosage that the DNR recommends is very specific to milfoil.

Discussions continued as to which would be more advantageous in the long run: poisoning/ composting or harvesting/cutting of weeds. Harvested biomass was more advantageous in the long run. The DNR has set a guideline of roughly 40 harvestable acres before they will consider supporting harvesting as a primary treatment method. Dr. Thornton advised that based on his previous analysis of this lake, we have beds of that volume.

Different options were discussed, such as: modify the permit to treat the large beds of milfoil with 2-4-D for a couple of years; or harvesting/cutting; or another analysis/thorough survey be done in order to put together a proper survey that would reflect current conditions; or Dr. Thornton advised of a shock treatment of herbicide which would knock back the milfoil for the remainder of the recreational season. Forester Kante did advise that the DNR also recommended the September treatment.

Therefore, it was agreed that a shock treatment be done after Labor Day to knock back the current excessive growth of the milfoil. Lake Management Committee will obtain additional information on a possible harvest/cut this fall and report back to the Village Board with an analysis and recommendation.

Clerk / Treasurer

Presentation of Invoices for Approval.

Motion (Von Bereghy/Haase) to approve the bills as presented. *Carried Unanimously.*

Report on Investment Activity.

Investments were reviewed. No change since last meeting.

Review and consider refinancing of Village debt and financial needs.

Administrator/Police Chief Douglas reported on loan information received from First National Bank of Hartford. The first note is a 10yr note at 2.8% for \$488,000. As agreed upon last month, we will make monthly payments based on a 15yr note which will provide us with a balloon payment at the end of 10yrs for \$189,201.13. The second note is also a 10yr note at 2.8% for \$200,000. This loan is for two plow trucks. The loan would be paid off in 10yrs with a monthly payment of \$1912.93. All paperwork has been reviewed and verified by our attorneys.

Motion (MacDonough/Wilkey) to enter into two 10yr notes with First National Bank of Hartford; first note in the amount of \$488,000; second note in the amount of \$200,000. *Carried Unanimously.*

Review and consider revisions of Chapter 6 zoning language which addresses the modifications of non-conforming structures per Act 170 and set public hearing date/time.

President Foote advised the members that the Plan Commission and the Village Administration had not yet finalized the language for the Board to consider. He noted that there was quite a lengthy discussion at the Plan Commission earlier this evening. Final language will be looked at the next time the Village Board meets followed by the scheduling of a public hearing. A public hearing is required because it involves a change in Village Ordinance 6.07 as a result of a law passed by the State Legislature and signed by the Governor. This matter was deferred to the next meeting.

Preliminary - review and consider plans for an accessory building submitted by Steve and Michele Loehner of 5004 N. Hwy 83.

President Foote reported that the Plan Commission unanimously approved the application by Steve and Michele Loehner to build an accessory building on their property located at 5004 STH 83. The applicant proposes a 12'x16' accessory building (approximately 192 s.f.) to be built on the northeast corner of a legal, non-conforming lot. It meets all zoning requirements and setbacks. The Plan Commission is recommending the Board of Trustees give final approval to the construction of the accessory building.

Motion (Wilkey/Haase) for final approval of plans for an accessory building submitted by Steve and Michele Loehner of 5004 STH 83. *Carried Unanimously.*

Committee Reports

Public Safety - no report

Operations - no report

Plan Commission - no report

Open Space - no report

Board of Appeals - no report

Personnel Committee - no report

Hwy 83 Task Force - no report

Emergency Government Committee - no report

Lake Management Committee - no report

Police Commission - no report

Lake Country Fire and Rescue Board - President Foote advised of a meeting scheduled for Wednesday by the LCF&R Board which involves the Town of Delafield and the Village of Hartland in considering their merging into LCF&R. An update will be given at the next Village Board meeting.

Report of the Village Administrator

None.

Report of Village President

None

Report of Village Attorney

None

Agenda items to be considered for future meetings of the Village Board.

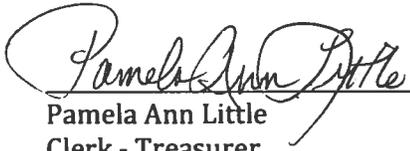
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Adjournment

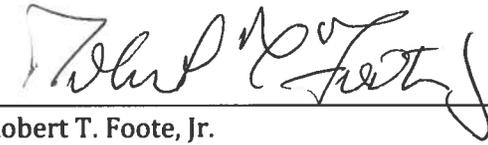
Motion (MacDonough/Manegold) to adjourn the August 13th meeting of the Village Board at 8:33 p.m. Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by:

Approved and Ordered Posted by:



Pamela Ann Little
Clerk - Treasurer



Robert T. Foote, Jr.
Chenequa Village President