

VILLAGE OF CHENEQUA

CHENEQUA VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
MINUTES OF MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2014.
Unofficial until approved by the Village Board.
Approved as written (✓) or with corrections () on 3-10-14

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Chenequa was held at 6:30 p.m. on **Monday, February 10, 2014**, at the Village Hall, 31275 W County Highway 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 – absent
Ms. Jo Ann Villavicencio / Trustee – present
Ms. Susan Wilkey / Trustee – absent
Ms. Carol Manegold / Trustee – present
Ms. Dwyn von Bereghy / Trustee – present
Mr. Bronson Haase / Trustee – present
Mr. Jack MacDonough / Trustee – present
Attorney Michelle Wagner Ebben / Village Attorney – present
Mr. Robert Douglas / Administrator-Police Chief – absent
Ms. Pamela Ann Little / Clerk-Treasurer – present

Attendance

None

Public Comment

None

Approve minutes of the January 13, 2014 Village Board meeting

Motion (Manegold/MacDonough) to approve Village Board minutes of meeting held on January 13, 2014. *Trustees Wilkey and Haase abstained. Motion Carried.*

Clerk / Treasurer

Presentation of invoices for approval

Motion (MacDonough/von Bereghy) to approve bills as presented. *Carried Unanimously.*

Review and consider Resolution 2014-02-10-1 to Amend Section 8.04 of the Village of Chenequa Codes of Ordinances Relating to Hunting within the Village Limits of the Village of Chenequa

Attorney Wagner Ebben reviewed the proposed changes to Section 8.04 from last month's meeting. There was discussion to increase the fine for violating the ordinance at the discretion of the ticketing officer. Options were given. This matter was tabled until next month's agenda so the resolution could be revised.

Review and consider Resolution 2014-02-10-2 to Amend Section 8.05 of the Village of Chenequa Codes of Ordinances Regulating the Use of Firearms within the Village Limits of the Village of Chenequa

Attorney Wagner Ebben reviewed the proposed change to Section 8.05 from last month's meeting. The definition of "firearm" was added. No substantive change was made to the ordinance.

Motion (MacDonough/von Bereghy) to approve Resolution 2014-02-10-2 to Amend Section 8.05 of the Village of Chenequa Codes of Ordinances Regulating the Use of Firearms within the Village Limits of the Village of Chenequa. *Carried Unanimously.*

Review and consider Resolution 2014-02-10-3 to Amend Section 8.10 of the Village of Chenequa Codes of Ordinances Regarding Trespass to Land within the Village Limits of the Village of Chenequa

Attorney Wagner Ebben reviewed the proposed changes to Section 8.10 from last month's meeting. There was discussion to increase the fine for trespassing up to \$1,000 per State Statute at the discretion of the ticketing officer.

Motion (Haase/MacDonough) to approve Resolution 2014-02-10-3 to Amend Section 8.10 of the Village of Chenequa Codes of Ordinances Regarding Trespass to Land within the Village Limits of the Village of Chenequa. *Carried Unanimously.*

Update on referendum for an increase in the tax levy

Attorney Wagner Ebben reported to Trustees that any referendums to increase the tax levy are required to be held during the General Election in November. The Village of Chenequa along with the Village of Hales Corners submitted a joint letter to the DOR objecting to the DOR's interpretation of the state statutes regarding referendums. A formal response was given to the Village of Chenequa and the Village of Hales Corners and the DOR noted that they are holding firm on their interpretation. Attorney Wagner Ebben further noted that a bill was proposed at the State Senate that would help redefine the issue of tax levy referendum process but that bill is currently limited only to counties with population of less than 40,000 but above 30,000 and next to counties that have at least 450,000. There is only one county in the entire state – Green County – that meets these limitations. The League of Municipalities has submitted a formal complaint requesting that a change be brought in the bill to include all municipalities on behalf of the Village of Chenequa, as well as the Village of Hales Corners who is having the same issue as we are.

Update on DOT plans for CTH K/STH 83

Trustee Villavicencio reviewed alternatives presented by the DOT. Comments were heard. State Highway regulations and standards are too extreme for the Village of Chenequa. The enormous loss of so many trees and the extensive widening of STH 83 were unacceptable.

Report on Village Garage Project

A memo on the village project was provided by Administrator Douglas in the meeting packet.

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** – no report

Report - Village Administrator

None

Report - Village President

None

Report - Village Attorney

Attorney Wagner Ebben reported on a discussion she had with Administrator Douglas regarding concerns on trespass. No signs need to be posted to give notice to trespassers was confirmed.

Generally, to give notice:

- 1.) you have to verbally give notice to the trespasser; or
- 2.) post (2) 8.5x11 signs/40 acres that has the owner's name on the sign; or
 - o one sign if multiple parcels and same owner
 - o multiple signs if parcels and multiple owners (i.e. Trust One, Trust Two)
- 3.) post (2) 12x11 signs/40 acres that read *Private Land* if you do not want to put your name on the sign

Attorney Wagner Ebben also advised even if it is private land, if you or your neighbors are involved in any of the following programs you have voluntarily opened up your land to allow hunters on your premises:

- Managed Forest Law Program
- Forest Crop Law Program
- Voluntary Public Access Program
- Turkey Hunting Access Program
- Wild Animal Nuisance Removal Program
- Wildlife Damage Abatement Claims Program

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Update on the Deer Management Program

Village Clerk Little advised that to date, 57 deer have been taken. Conditions are favorable and we are hoping to exceed last year's goal by using new strategies.

Meeting with Assessor Mark Link

Trustee von Bereghy will not be able to attend the March meeting and shared her concerns regarding the 2013 assessments. It was decided among the Board that a list of specific questions and example properties will be submitted to Mr. Link ahead of time so he may come prepared and ready to discuss this matter. It was agreed that the Board is looking only for information related to understanding the process of the 2013 assessments and will not be objecting to or focusing on any specific property assessment.

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

- Revision to Ordinance 8.04 Prohibiting Hunting
- Assessor Mark Link

Adjournment

Motion (MacDonough/von Bereghy) to adjourn the February 10th meeting of the Village Board at 7:55 p.m. Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by:

Approved and Ordered Posted by:



 Pamela Ann Little
 Village Clerk - Treasurer



 Jo Ann Villavicencio
 Trustee, Acting President