

The Kewaskum Village Board, Washington County, Wisconsin met in regular session in the Council Room of the Municipal Building, 204 First Street.

Board Members Present: Laubach, Spenner, Wright, Hovland, Wendelborn and Scheunemann

Excused Absent: Knoebel

Staff Members Present: Gitter, Butz, Groeschel, Aupperle, Bishop, Hundertmark, Kreis, Paulus and Steiner.

Scheunemann called the meeting of the Village Board to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by roll call and a reading of the Affidavit of Posting for the meeting. A moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance were observed.

Motion by Wright, seconded by Wendelborn to approve the minutes of December 6, 2021, voice vote, motion carried.

Motion by Wendelborn, seconded by Wright to suspend rules and hear New Business, Item A, voice vote, motion carried.

Patricia Gerber/Community Rivers Program Coordinator reported on the Mid-year Impact Report and upcoming programs. No action taken.

PUBLIC HEARING - none

APPEARANCE BY CITIZENS – none

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT HEADS

Fire Chief Mark Groeschel – no report

Police Chief Tom Bishop – provided his November report:

Ordinance Citations	11		
Traffic Citations	30	Traffic Stops	61
Traffic Accidents	8	OWI Arrests	0
Felony Charges	1	Misdemeanor Charges	0

2021 Police Chief Awards were presented to Kristy Vogt and Angie Tennies.

DPW Working Foreman Dennis Aupperle – reported on DPW activity:

- The new meter readers were used to complete the 4th Quarter water reading
- Two trees downed from storm damage and branches cleaned up
- Dust to dawn LED lights installed at WWTP
- Completed annual refresher safety training

Administrator Adam Gitter

- Updates on flood plain ordinance to be heard by Plan Commission
- Bishop and Gitter initiated a Business Retention Program and walked around to area businesses

Clerk/Deputy Treasurer Tammy Butz

- 2020 Draft Audit documents available for review and will be presented on January 4, 2022
- Non-candidacy forms due by December 24, 2021 and nomination packets on January 4, 2022

Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Julie Hundertmark – November 2021 Cash on Hand and Investments Report provided

Library Director Lori Kreis – reported on Library activity

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrative Committee –Spenner reported that the Administrative Committee met earlier this evening and recommends approval of the following items:

Motion by Wright, seconded by Hovland to approve payment of the bills, voice vote, motion carried.

Motion by Wright, seconded by Spenner to approve the Investment policy with adjustments to include Library investments, monthly reports and segregation of duties, voice vote, motion carried.

Motion by Wendelborn, seconded by Spenner to approve Investment Advisory Agreement pending competitor fee rates, if not favorable item to be brought back to the Village Board, voice vote, motion carried.

Motion by Spenner, seconded by Wendelborn to approve Arbitrage Agreement, voice vote, motion carried.

Motion by Hovland, seconded by Wright to approve Resolution 2021-16 to engage Ehlers Investment Partners as investment advisor, voice vote, motion carried.

Motion by Wright, seconded by Laubach to approve earmarking insurance reimbursement for storm damage for repairs at Kiwanis Park, voice vote, motion carried.

Motion by Hovland, seconded by Wright to approve purchasing a gated entrance for the DPW Yard using ARPA funds under loss revenue, voice vote, motion carried.

Protection & Public Safety – no report

Public Works and Public Services – no report

Plan Commission – next meeting on December 28, 2021

Park & Recreation – no report

Library Board – Next meeting is January 10, 2022

Mid-Moraine – Next meeting in January 2022

Shared Facilities – no report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion by Spenner, seconded by Wright to suspend impact fees until June 30, 2022, voice vote, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Wright, seconded by Hovland to approve additional \$29,000 for engineering of the Knights Ave Lift Station with a 50/50 split on funding between Sewer Replacement Fund and ARPA funds, voice vote, motion carried.

Motion by Wendelborn, seconded by Wright to approve Operator License for Erin Dehling, voice vote, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT – President Scheunemann expressed his appreciation in selecting Administrator Gitter and is confident that the Village is good hands under his service. Scheunemann complemented the Board in selecting his successor, Trustee Spenner. Scheunemann is certain Spenner will be an excellent Village President.

Motion by Wright, seconded by Laubach to adjourn at 7:36 p.m., carried by roll call vote: Hovland – aye, Wright – aye, Spenner – aye, Wendelborn – aye, Laubach – aye, Scheunemann - aye (6-0)

Tammy Butz
Village Clerk/Deputy Treasurer

Approved: January 4, 2022