



BROOKLYN VILLAGE NEWS July 17, 2015

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Special thank you to our entertainment: Dan Dean & Distant Cousins!

BROOKLYN VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 13, 2015

The July 13, 2015, Village Board meeting of the Village of Brooklyn was called to order at 6:33 pm at the Village Hall by President Pat Hawkey. Trustees present were Kyle Smith, Russell Cazier (arrived at 6:40), Heather Kirkpatrick, Todd Klahn and Zach Leavy. Trustee McCallum was absent. Others present were Clerk Strause, PW Director Langer, Chief Barger, Brian Selbo, Lyle Wanless, Danny Leonard, Teresa Pelton, All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. There were no Public Comments.

Trustee Smith moved, second Kirkpatrick, carried to approve the minutes of 6-8-15. Smith moved, second Kirkpatrick, carried to approve the minutes of 6-23-15.

President Hawkey thanked all Village staff-Public Works, Clerk's office, and Police, for recent clean up from the storm damage, and July 4th celebration event along with the Recreation Committee volunteers that worked hard to bring this large attendance event to the Village each year. At the Chamber's ice cream social, Village staff were also thanked and given certificates for all the help the Chamber receives for their events and also thanked the Recreation Committee for all the work done for a very successful July 4th event. Hawkey stated she has started looking at the submitted surveys regarding the newsletter and siren which right now favors sending the newsletter to all and keeping the 6 pm siren. Residents have until the end of July to turn in their surveys. A joint Oregon Senior Center meeting will be held on July 22 at 6:30 pm at the Senior Center. The WI-FI connection at the Community Building is installed and works successfully.

Trustee Leavy moved, second Klahn, carried to approve amending the agenda moving up the Planning and Zoning Commission report and **Town of Brooklyn's request to re-zone parcel #23-109-0127.01 from R-SL (Single Family Low Density) to Public Grounds** allowing for construction of a new Veterans Memorial. A Public Hearing was held at 6 pm this date by PZ Commission with recommendation to approve this request. This parcel is located directly next to the Brooklyn Town Hall, 400 W Main St. President Hawkey moved, second Klahn, carried to approve this rezone as requested.

Clerk-Treas Strause gave the monthly financial report with May income of \$76,034.30, expenses \$342,953.93 leaving and end of May balance in all funds of \$1,383,476.12. Information provided today from Attorney General Brad Schimel offers a free "Open Government Summit" on July 29th at the Capitol from 8:30-4:00 pm to discuss public records law, open meeting law, and the cost of open government. Anyone wanting to attend should contact the Clerk to make reservations as seating is limited.

PUBLIC WORKS-The annual 2014 CMAR and Resolution #2015-07 was presented. Trustee Klahn moved, second Leavy, carried to approve the report and resolution. **The influent screen brushes at the WWTP** are in need of repair with the committee recommending not exceeding \$7,000 with the work done before end of year. Trustee Smith moved, second Klahn, carried to approve the recommendation. Discussion to **increase the monthly rental fee for the exempt sewer meters** was had. PW Director Langer stated the labor and material cost is probably more than what the monthly \$5.00 rental fee income brings in. PW committee recommended raising the monthly fee to \$7.50. Klahn moved, second Smith, carried to increase the monthly rental fee to \$7.50 and keep the meter deposit the same at \$100 starting in 2016. Langer requested to **sell surplus items**: Metal desk/drawer from Well #1, two wheel trailer/tank from old bio-solids hauling days, pallet of electronics from 2014 office upgrades, Well #2 motor, and ticket booth/building. Trustee Kirkpatrick recommended the Recreation Committee be notified about the ticket booth as it was used by them in the past. Trustee Smith moved, second Cazier, carried to declare these items surplus and put up for sale, notifying the Recreation Committee about the ticket booth that will need to be fixed if kept or sold as is. The water tower inspection report has not been received yet. The CMOM is being worked on. Storm water areas by water tower have been mowed. Illegal dumping at the cemetery is being monitored. Smithfield bathrooms were vandalized in June.

SAFETY-Trustee Smith moved, second Klahn, carried to approve the minutes of 3-5-15. Barger reported moving ahead with getting the new part-time officer trained; still working on a complaint against an officer; Dane County CAPMAR was tested late June and it went well; all went well for Fourth of July Celebration; gave an update on criteria for Tornado Sirens to be sounded in Dane Co. which is only sounded if the tornado is sited on radar by Dane County Emergency Management.

NEW BUSINESS- President Hawkey moved, second Smith, carried to approve **hiring Pamela Knolinski as a part-time Police Secretary** pending favorable background check. Safety and Personnel Committees did the interviewing of three candidates last week with the recommendation to hire Knolinski. Wages were established at the 6-8-15 Board meeting. President Hawkey moved, second Klahn, carried to **increase court costs to \$38.00** per a request from Judge Gehin.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS-Brooklyn Business Complex has a new marketing sign installed. President Hawkey, Clerk Strause, and Trustee Kirkpatrick will meet tomorrow morning with Dane County CDBG reps to discuss the contract. **Archiving email update**-since the last meeting, it was discovered an additional \$2000 is needed to have CKH implement the migration for our email archiving. Trustee Cazier will research Google archiving as discussed at Finance meeting. Google, however, goes forward with archiving and does not do historical archiving. The **property transfer with the school district for storm water control** is not complete yet pending wording change.

CONSENT AGENDA: Removing item #3 on the agenda, Smith moved, second Klahn, carried to approve items 1 and 2 as follows: Payment of all July 2015 bills as listed and approval of an operator license for Sarah A Michaelis. President Hawkey asked if the "MS: Toyota Best Dam Bike Tour" needs to be rerouted with the school area under construction. Chief Barger stated the water supply at the school would be street side and not a problem during construction. Hawkey moved, second Smith, carried to approve the tour route.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Electronic Media-no meeting. **Ordinance**- Because speeding has been a problem on First St., Chair Smith presented an amendment to **Ordinance 32.03, Zoned and posted speed limits**, adding (4) and (5) setting 15 mph speed limits for all park roads and S. First St., South of St Hwy 92. Smith moved, second Klahn, carried to approve as written and send for recodification, entire project of which will have a public hearing and be completed soon. Chair Smith presented an amendment to **Ordinance 48-575 Fences & Hedges** to allow for an 8' fence on a corner side yard lot if out of the Traffic Vision Clearance. Property owner, Brian Selbo, appeared describing his project and his request to build an 8' fence along Kerch St, out of the 50' setback for the vision triangle, not obstructing any view. Chair Smith moved, second Klahn, carried, to amend ordinance 48-575 as written to allow for an 8' fence on a corner side yard and submit for recodification. President Hawkey and Trustee Cazier abstained. Smith moved, second Kirkpatrick, carried to approve a temporary fence permit to Selbo to complete his fence project on S Kerch St. President Hawkey and Trustee Cazier abstained. Hawkey moved, second Klahn, carried to **table setting the public hearing date** until the ordinance book is done. **EDC**-will meet on Thurs., July 16th to discuss a developer's agreement, TIF plan language, and the possibility of allowing businesses to advertise in the Village newsletter. **GCDC** meeting is Thursday morning in Browntown. **Recreation**-Hawkey moved, second Smith, carried to approve the minutes of 6-4-2015. Hawkey moved, second Kirkpatrick, carried to approve **the hiring of additional staff for the Summer Recreation program if the participation level is over 25 participants with the Recreation chairman/one member of the recreation committee, and the summer recreation coordinator authorized to interview and hire per Village hiring practices (background check etc.) additional staff for every (10) participants over the original number of (25) or when circumstances require more employee assistance with notification to the Clerk's Office and with follow up approval from the Village Board at the next scheduled Board meeting.** This year the summer recreation program had 36 sign up and two people were hired. This will give the flexibility needed to not limit program. Hawkey moved, second Smith, carried to **hire Abby Klahn as a seasonal high school helper for Summer Youth recreation program** at the rate of \$7.25 per hr for approx 12 hours per week as recommended by the committee. Trustee Klahn abstained. **Emergency Management**-no meeting. **Personnel** will be meeting on 7-21-15. **Finance**-Klahn moved, second Hawkey, carried to approve the **Green County Agreement for payment of delinquent special assessments and charges.** This would allow for the county to continue to settle in full in August; but if a property is sold by Green County, balance of proceeds would be disbursed and a chargeback to the Village may occur for the delinquent amounts. Klahn moved, second Leavy, carried to send President Hawkey (or an alternate if she is not available) to a **WEDC Basic Economic Development course Sept 8-11 at the Pyle Center in Madison at a cost of \$650.**

At 7:22 p.m., Smith moved, second Leavy, unanimously carried to **Convene to Closed Session Pursuant to Wis Stats 19.85 (1)(e) to deliberate or negotiate the possible purchase of public properties.** Leavy moved, second Hawkey, carried to reconvene to open session at 8:13 p.m.

Smith moved, second Leavy, carried to adjourn at 8:14 p.m. - Carol A Strause - MMC, WCMC, CMTW

Brooklyn's Warning Siren Information

The siren that is sounded for catastrophic events such as tornadoes or major chemical releases in the Village of Brooklyn is owned and maintained by Dane County. The Dane County 911 center activates the siren. Even though Dane County owns the siren it covers the entire village, including Green County residents. The sirens purpose is notify people who are outdoors that they should seek shelter immediately and turn on your weather radio, TV, or radio for more information.

Storm Based Warnings

National Weather Service Storm-Based Warnings

The National Weather Service implemented **Storm-Based Warnings** in October of 2007. Prior to 2007, the National Weather Service issued and disseminated tornado, severe thunderstorm, and flood hazard warnings using geo-political (typically county) boundaries. Storm-based warnings are based on the threat area of the storm itself, which usually does not recognize county boundaries.

Storm-based warnings are a substantial improvement over the old, county-wide warning method. Storm-based warnings provide more specific information about the location of the severe storm and the direction it is tracking. It also reduces the likelihood of unnecessarily alarming those outside the threat area. Especially in geographically large counties like Dane County, by issuing warnings based on the specifics of the storm, the National Weather Service can substantially reduce the area being warned.

Storm-Based Siren Activation

With storm-based siren activation, the only sirens sounded are those with warning coverage in the Tornado Warning area determined by the National Weather Service. This reduces the likelihood of needlessly alerting people that are not at risk, and also provides certainty that you are in the warning area when you hear the sirens.

The warning system can only be effective if you actually receive the information. There are a great deal of warning devices and methods available to you. We recommend that you take advantage of as many of them as possible. No single warning method is perfect and no warning method can be guaranteed never to fail.

We strongly recommend that you consider the following:

- Do *something* to assure that you are able to receive warning information when issued.
- Have a backup. (*Nothing* works perfectly, 100% of the time.)
- Purchase and use a weather alert radio if you don't already have one.
- Rely on the sirens only for outdoor warning.
- Verify that the Wireless Emergency Alert feature is enabled on your smart phone.
- Set up a weather warning app on your smart phone.
- Turn to broadcast radio or television for details and follow-up information.
- Register to receive alerts on your cell phone, text, and e-mail at: <http://dane.alertingsolutions.net>
- Follow us on [Twitter \(@DaneCountyEM\)](#) and like us on [Facebook \(Dane County Emergency Management\)](#)

Please contact Emergency Management Director Leif Spilde with any questions 455-1842.



PUBLIC WORKS DEPT

WATER METER ALERT!!!

The Public Works Dept. sometimes experiences problems reading meters. Brush, shrubs and flowers can grow too tall and cover outside readers. Please look at your outside meter and trim the growth back if it can't be read. Thanks for your help!

MOWING GRASS INTO THE STREETS

Do **not** mow grass into the streets. The grass is plugging up the storm water grates.

POLICE DEPT

JUNE ACTIVITY REPORT

Suspicious Activity	5
Thefts	1
Damage Property	3
Phone/Internet crime	2
Open Records	24
Assists	22
Financial/fraud	3
Traffic Incidents	15
Traffic citations	1
Juvenile Offense/comp	2
Misc/comp arrests	2
Drug charges/comp	1
Found property	1
Community policing	1
Parking citations/comp	1
Total	84

VILLAGE CLERK'S OFFICE

Reminder: Second half of property taxes are due to the **County** by July 31st.

WRITE ONE LESS CHECK EACH MONTH!



Pay your water bill automatically on the 25th of each month. Contact Kim at 455-4201 ext. 1 for more information

Brooklyn Labor Day Truck & Tractor Pull

Sponsored by: Brooklyn Sno-Hornets, Oregon Sno-Blazers and Brooklyn Community Bank

Friday Sept. 4th: CATP (Community antique tractor pulls), food vendors and ice cold beverages, live music by Boom Bang Twang

Saturday Sept. 5th: PI Motorsports (Pro Farm & Super Farm), Mini Rods, Truck & Tractor pulls, Kiddie pulls, food vendors and ice cold beverages live music by Virginia Liquor Company

Sunday Sept. 6th: Southwest Pullers, Truck & Tractor pulls, food vendors and ice cold beverages live music by Super Tuesday

Senior Potluck Lunch
Thursday, July 23rd - Noon
Community Building Kitchen
Bring a dish to pass and enjoy
some good company...everyone
is welcome!

July 2015 News from Your Senior Center

By Rachel Brickner

The Senior Center is a resource for everyone in the community, regardless of age. The two outreach workers at the Center are trained to answer questions about a wide variety of issues that affect seniors.

You do not need to be a senior yourself to call the Center, so if you are seeking information on behalf of a senior, regardless of where that senior is, you can take advantage of this free service. The outreach workers are trained to answer questions about Medicare and Social Security. They can help low income seniors qualify for subsidies. The outreach workers can address issues relating to housing, nutrition, care givers, scams, transportation, VA benefits, and long term planning, among many others.

The staff is able to connect people with resources, and make referrals to other agencies. There are a number of services and programs available to help seniors, and many people are unaware of them. The staff at the Senior Center is an excellent resource to take advantage of if you have any questions about any issue affecting a senior. Call us at 835-5801.

An up-coming program at the Center that may be of interest to some people is scheduled for July 23 at 12:30. The program is "Why Choose Hospice or Palliative Care?" The presenter is from Agrace Hospice, and will cover a host of issues relating to end of life care.

A fun social/musical opportunity will be held on July 29, when musician Tim

McNurlen will be performing at noon. Tim calls himself "The Minstrel of Memories" and he will be performing old standards and humorous folk songs. Feel free to make a lunch reservation by 1:00 on July 28, or bring your lunch along and enjoy the music.

COMMUNITY VEGETABLE STAND

Methodist Church Parking Lot

Anyone can donate excess garden produce that they may have on hand. Anyone can take produce from the stand that they can use.



Senior Potluck Lunch

**Thursday, July 24th -
Noon**

**Community Building
Kitchen**

**Bring a dish to pass
and enjoy some good
company...everyone is
welcome!**

The Brooklyn Area Chamber held an Ice Cream Social/Appreciation Awards event at Smithfield Park on Monday June 29th. Natalie Gefke, Brooklyn Dairy Queen who has now advanced to the Green Co Dairy Princess status, was in attendance with platters of cheese. Natalie was congratulated on her new Green County status. Brooklyn's new Dairy Queen is Kajal Russell, daughter of Ron & Alicia Russell of rural Brooklyn.

Awards of appreciation were given to UB&T, Comm Bank & to Brooklyn School Rep. Dale Schultz for hosting The Traveling Wisc Veteran's Museum Display. Louis Fahey received an award for providing bottled water to various organizations. Mike Hawkey received an award for organizing the Memorial day Antique Tractor Pull. David Pluss received an award for providing the Bouncy House at the Business Expo & Levi Cutler was given recognition for providing the Golfing competition at the Biz expo & giving \$100 in prizes. Dale Arndt was recognized for assisting with obtaining 5 large signs for the Biz exp & the Memorial day activities. Nancy Sheehy was recognized for assisting with the vendors market. Awards of appreciation were given to Village Works Dept & Village Clerks for willingly assisting with all the changes needed for the Memorial day activities. Village Pres Pat Hawkey was in attendance to accept the awards for the Village. Appreciation awards were given to the American Legion & to the Snowmobile Clubs for providing food beverage for the Memorial Day Sat. activities & the Oregon Brooklyn Optimist Club was recognized for providing food for the Biz Expo. Rich Walford, Pattie Lenz Family & Susan & Doug McCullum received awards for being involved with the well attended First Annual "All Wheels Show on Memorial Day weekend. Mike Studnicka, owner of Wis Signs & Graphics was given an Appreciation award for designing & donating the car dash plaques that were given to each of the 58 cars in attendance for the show. Tourdot Tunes, Belleville were recognized for providing the 50's music for the "All Wheels Show" & Emma Jorgenson was recognized for volunteering to supervise the Bouncy House. Mike Davenport, Colonial Bakery Rep, was recognized for providing buns for the food stand & David Gasner UPS Stoughton was recognized for assisting with fliers, signs & copies needed to promote the Memorial Day weekend event. Brit Springer was recognized for her work on the Brooklyn Chamber website which is now up. You can view the website by going to www.brooklynACoC.org. It takes a lot of Community effort to put on an activity and all who provided door prizes & contributed assistance in any way was very much appreciated.

A list of the growing Chamber membership was handed out as well as a questionnaire to provide input of ideas as to how the Chamber can improve the first annual All Wheels Show, Antique Tractor Pull & Vendors Market.



Check out Rec's
NEW EVENT:

Village of
Brooklyn
Recreation
Committee



Healthy Living Expo

Village of Brooklyn

Saturday September 19 2015

We will be hosting our first ever Healthy Living EXPO starting at 9am at the Community Building. This is part of our Get Fit Program's commitment to healthy living

LOOKING FOR:

Currently we are looking for individuals/businesses in the health industry to join us. If interested please check out our website for more information and application.

WEEKLY CLASSES!

We have classes Monday, Wednesday & Thursday. Saturday classes are on a summer break, so have fun in the sun!

See our classes on our website's calendar for more information.

Mondays • Yoga Bliss with Enna
Wednesdays • Zumba with Nicole
Thursdays • Yoga with Hope.

All classes meet at Brooklyn Community Bldg and start at 6:30pm

Get Fit Today!



Get Fit

Village of Brooklyn

Go to www.brooklynrecreation.org for More Information!



August 2015

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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2	3 Yoga-6:30pm	4 Tire,oil,battery pickup	5 Finance-5:00pm Zumba-6:30pm	6 Safety Mtg-6pm Recreation Mtg-7:30pm Bootcamp-6:30pm	7	8
9	10 Village Board-6:30pm Yoga-6:30pm	11 Brush pickup	12 RECYCLING Zumba-6:30pm	13 Bootcamp-6:30pm	14	15
16	17 Yoga-6:30pm	18	19 Zumba-6:30pm	20 Yoga-6:30pm	21	22
23	24 Yoga-6:30pm	25 Public Works Mtg-6pm	26 RECYCLING Zumba-6:30pm	27 Bootcamp-6:30pm	28	29
30	31 Yoga-6:30pm					

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