

# **\*\*\*FINANCE MINUTES\*\*\***

**August 16, 2022**

## **SAUKVILLE MUNICIPAL CENTER AND VIA ZOOM 639 E. GREEN BAY AVE., SAUKVILLE, WI 53080**

Village President Barb Dickmann called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Village Clerk Julie Friede gave the Statement of Public Notice.

Members: Barb Dickmann-present, Scott Fischer-present, Richard Belling-present, Jim Nowlen-present, Trevor Seitz-present, Andy Hebein-present, and Peter Janus-present

Others Present: Dawn Wagner, Julie Friede, Chief Bill Rice, Chris Lear and Cory Schmidt-Ozaukee Press

### **APPROVE CLAIMS FOR JULY 2022 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$678,536.90.**

Seitz/Nowlen made a motion to approve Claims for July 2022 in the amount of \$678,536.90. Motion carried.

### **Request from Port Washington State Bank to Approve Consent to Collateral Assignment of Development Agreement and Tax Increment Payments**

Wagner explained to the Board that PWSB if financing the Crossroad Saukville LLC (Neumann) project and is having Neumann assign its rights to the TID tax increment payments to PWSB as collateral for the financing. The Bank would only exercise its right to receive the tax increment payment in the event of a default by Neumann in repaying its loan to the Bank.

**Hebein/Nowlen made a motion** to recommendation to the Village Board to approve Port Washington State Bank to Approve Consent to Collateral Assignment of Development Agreement and Tax Increment Payments

### **SFD-2006 Ambulance Refurbishment**

Rice reported on the progress of the SFD-2006 Ambulance Refurbishment.

Rice stated he has several years of experience in purchasing fire department equipment, never has he seen the delays and shortages that he is experiencing at this time.

Rice stated the village would have been saving 10-20% to refurbish the ambulance instead of replacing if price would have stayed stable. The new chassis should be arriving within the next week, and work would start within the next month. Cost came in higher than he thought. Rice verified cost changes with other municipalities. Prices were consistent.

Rice also stated the ambulance will be retrofitted with a new Stryker brand Powerload Cot Loading System. Cost of this system would be \$46,408 and is included in the refurbishment cost. Rice explained this system would save on back injuries. The Saukville Fire Department has secured a \$1,500 discount of prepayment of the Powerload System. With the preferred details established for the refurbishment of the 2006 ambulance with a new 2023 chassis, estimated costs came in about \$16,000 short of the \$224,000 originally borrowed.

Rice added on July 12, 2022, the Saukville Fire Department received a one-time ARPA grant from the State of Wisconsin for \$24,390. This grant is intended to be used within one year on EMS equipment or EMS training. The Department is planning on using the \$24,390 to offset the unexpected refurbishment cost increases. Therefore, after the ARPA funds are added to the project, there will be about \$8,000 remaining for any cost over-runs or other needed EMS equipment for the Saukville Fire Department.

Janus inquired on the materials the box was constructed with and if there was any corrosion issues. Chief Rice stated the box was made out of aluminum and they have not seen corrosion issues with the Braun products.

Chief Rice asked the Committee to approved the refurbishment as proposed.

**Hebein/Janus made a motion** to recommend to the Village Board to approve SFD-2006 Ambulance Refurbishment. Motion Carried.

### **Firefighter/Paramedic Position**

Chief Rice stated that one combined application was submitted to ARPA Grant Application for the Village of Saukville and the Village of Grafton.

The Village of Saukville applied for ARPA grant funding for three full-time firefighter/paramedics for three years. After the third year of funding through the initial grant, the Village of Saukville expects to be able to fund one of the three positions and requested that Ozaukee County consider funding the second and third position.

The Village of Grafton applied for ARPA grant funding for three full-time firefighter/paramedics for three years. After the third year of funding through this initial grant, the Village of Grafton expects to be able to fund two of the three positions and requested that Ozaukee County consider funding the third position.

Both the Village of Saukville and the Village of Grafton also applied for the available \$100,000 in building renovations to be used at their respective stations to make improvements to accommodate the additional staff. There was no response from the County on this request.

At the August 3, 2022 Ozaukee County Board Meeting, the ARPA Fund use for hiring firefighter/paramedics was approved. The Village of Saukville was approved for one position with the additional two positions to be considered in the future.

Chief Rice stated hiring has been slow, Grafton has had a position open since July. He does have a plan to get the positions filled.

Fischer ask if fund balance could be used to speed up the process of filling the firefighter/paramedic positions before the grant funding are available. He is looking to get ahead of the other communities looking to fill the same positions.

Wagner requested that Chief Rice to confirm with the County that if we hire before the funds are available, will the Village be able to be reimbursed.

Chief Rice confirmed the funds are available. He will contact the County to follow up on funds.

**Hebein/Nowlen made** a recommendation to the Village Board to hire the full-time firefighter/paramedic position with receipt of the funds. Motion Carried.

### **Agreement between the City of Port Washington & the Village of Saukville to Amend Sanitary Sewer Service Area Boundaries**

Wagner stated this item was on the agenda was July 12, 2022 and the Village approved.

Wagner noted the Agreement in Concept.

The way the agreement is written the City of Port Washington would pay the Village of Saukville \$100,000.00 in 4 equal installments over a 4-year period. First payment to be made within 30 days after SEWRPC and WDNR formal written approval.

City of Port Washington has approved the agreement. SEWRPC and WDNR will need to review and approve the modifications to the Sewer Service Area.

**Nowlen/Hebein** made a recommendation to the Village Board to approve the Agreement between the City of Port Washington & the Village of Saukville to Amend Sanitary Sewer Service Area Boundaries. Motion Carried with 1 Nay.

**OTHER MATTERS**

Special Finance Meeting Scheduled for Monday, August 29 at 6:00 p.m.

Special Village Board Meeting Scheduled for Monday, August 29 at 6:30 p.m.

Railroad Whistle complaint is being followed up on.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Fischer/Nowlen** made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried at 6:55 p.m.

Julie Friede  
Village Clerk