



MINUTES VILLAGE BOARD

Village Hall Auditorium
9915 - 39th Avenue
Pleasant Prairie, WI

A regular meeting of the Pleasant Prairie Village Board was held on November 4, 2019. Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Village Board members John Steinbrink, Kris Keckler, Mike Pollocoff, Dave Klimisch and Mike Serpe. Also present were Nathan Thiel, Village Administrator, Tom Shircel, Assistant Village Administrator; Jean Werbie-Harris, Community Development Director; Kathy Goessl, Finance Director; Craig Roepke, Chief of Fire & Rescue; Matt Fineour, Village Engineer; John Steinbrink Jr., Public Works Director; Dan Honore', IT Director; Carol Willke, Human Resources Director; Craig Anderson, Recreation Director, Tom Patrizzi, Facilities Superintendent; Steven Linn, Communications Manager, and Jane C. Snell, Village Clerk. Three citizens attended the meeting.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL**
4. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Jane Snell:

Mr. President, there were no signups this evening.

John Steinbrink:

Anybody wishing to speak under citizens' comments? Hearing none I'll close citizens' comments.

5. **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 7, 2019.**

Dave Klimisch:

Move approval.

Michael Serpe:

Second.

John Steinbrink:

We have a motion and a second. Any discussion on the minutes? Those in favor?

Voices:

Aye.

John Steinbrink:

Opposed? Motion carries.

KLIMISCH MOVED TO APPROVE THE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 7, 2019; SECONDED BY SERPE; MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

6. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

A. Presentation of Village Board Meeting Survey

Nathan Thiel:

Village Board and President, I only have one item as followup. A few meetings ago we had an item on the agenda to review the Board meeting times. As a part of that discussion we were requested to conduct a survey using the [inaudible] software platform. And I just wanted to run through the survey results. So the survey pool was minimal, there were only 67 respondents which could indicate that the issue holds little public interest. But of those surveyed, the 4 to 6 p.m. and the 6 to 8 p.m. were the popular meeting times. The 5 to 7 p.m. option was less popular which I would presume reflects there was a conflict in dinner time, and so it was of less interest.

Of those surveyed, Tuesday and Wednesday were the preferred meeting nights. In the spirit of public access it probably would be appropriate at least to consider alternate meeting nights. The survey indicated video access, and a public record is important. Currently the video provides the audio of the meeting. And I just wanted to update you all that as the Village upgrades its agenda software, we're currently looking at a package with Granicus. We'll be providing a video of the PowerPoint presentation with the audio of the meeting. And so that will be a slight upgrade so we're excited about that. The software will also provide easier access via our website and bookmarked by agenda item.

The survey indicated less interest in live streaming compared to the provision of video. The largest percentage of respondents indicated indifference. And just one small funny point, Tom and I were recently at a conference in attendance, and one of the keynote speakers had been asked, he was in entertainment field, and an administrator or manager from somewhere in the country basically asked how do you feel or what do you think about live streaming, you know, with Facebook Live and things of that nature. He basically indicated, well, why you would make something that's already boring more boring. So it was just funny, it was a funny little clip.

Anyways, I would note that the percentages are representative percentages of respondents and not the percentage of the total preference. You might have noticed that not all the percentages are equal to 100 percent. But that was because respondents were allowed to select more than one option. And so it was reflective of the total percentage of the respondents and not the percentage of the total responses.

From the survey my opinion is that the Village could consider modifying the meeting time to 4 p.m. I think that they should consider a different day, Tuesday or Wednesday, again in light of public access. The Board had tabled Ordinance 19-34 and 19-35. I'd still recommend that the Board amend the ordinance so that the time and day is set by resolution rather than by ordinance. It just makes it a little bit simpler I think should there ever be interest in the future to make modifications. And then at that point the Board may then amend the language and adopt the tabled Resolutions 19-32 and 19-33 as determined appropriate by the Board.

But I wanted to follow up because we had had this discussion during a Village Board meeting. And if there are any questions the item is on the agenda for review. With regard to Village operations I don't have anything else of significance to report this evening.

7. OLD BUSINESS - TABLED ITEMS

- A. **Consider approval of Resolution #19-32 and Ordinance #19-34 amending Chapter 98 as it relates to the meeting time of Village Board.**
- B. **Consider approval of Resolution #19-33 and Ordinance #19-35 amending Chapter 18 as it relates to the meeting time of the Plan Commission, Park Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals.**

Mike Pollocoff:

19-32 the way it's written out -- I just wonder if you want to separate the days from the times. Do we want to?

Nathan Thiel:

I think the resolution -- my preference or what I was recommending is really to focus on the ordinances at this point. If we do amend the ordinance we basically would be setting the dates and the times by resolution. Within the ordinance currently we're just recognizing the times. So an amendment to the actual ordinance, and because it was a tabled item I didn't bring it to you modified or changed so it was a fresh basically. And, Jane, you can correct me if I'm wrong, but the thought process would be that the regular meetings of the Plan Commission shall be determined by resolution. And then we would specify the resolution later. Jane, any correction that you would suggest?

Michael Serpe:

I said this when we discussed this before that if we did change the meeting time for five o'clock for Plan and to Board on every Monday, if there was an item on the agenda that somebody needed to be heard and is not going to be able to make it at five o'clock, they could contact community development or the administration and we could put that item further down on the agenda. If, in fact, the agenda was moving along faster than what we've anticipated, we could take a 10, 15 minute recess to give that person a chance to be heard. We can accommodate almost anything.

When you think of the staff is here at 7:30 in the morning and then they're here until eight, nine o'clock at night it's a long day. I don't see a problem with a five o'clock start. I really don't. And, like I said, if we're willing to accommodate those in need of being heard at a later time, we can do that. We can do that very easily.

Nathan Thiel:

One other thought process that had come, and I don't mean to throw complications into the discussion and, again, I don't necessarily come proposing any solution this evening as far as meeting days and times, hence my reason for really wanting to just focus on the ordinance at this point, and then we can kind of solidify the thought process with a resolution. But just to throw just some other wrenches into the machine since we're talking about it, into the grinder, one comment would be to have back to back, you know, the Plan Commission and then the Village Board meeting on the same night on a Monday night. And then you're only eating up two Mondays or Tuesdays or Wednesdays or whenever you've decided.

Another thought process was to make the public hearings, if we're going to schedule a public hearing, that would be a meeting night where you'd start at six to eight, and then all other meeting nights you'd start at an alternative, at an earlier time. The thought process being that you could set one meeting night a month where it would be considered a public hearing night. And another night would just be -- you'd only have one meeting a month where you'd have a public hearing. So those were some other thoughts that were thrown out there just for suggestions.

So I guess what I want to say is that I think there's flexibility. I don't think that we're going to change the world, good, bad or indifferent whenever the meetings are scheduled for. But I do think that it would be beneficial at least to have flexibility, so hence the reason for wanting to modify the ordinance.

Mike Pollocoff:

Mr. President, I can definitely see the advantage to having the meetings start at five. Staff is here at 7:30 or 8 or whenever they get here. It will make for a long day. Not that I want to be inflexible, but to me I guess I'm coming from the standpoint that our responsibility is to accommodate most of the public that we can accommodate so that we can be guaranteed or people have some certainty that if the meetings are at six they might have to leave work a little bit early depending if they work very far to get here, and that would benefit the most people. I think we need to be here for the public's convenience and not ours. And that way we're not having to modify when a hearing is held or come back or reschedule that.

I think that one change that could occur to make it easier is have the hearings held not at the first thing in the meeting but held in the middle of the meeting or towards the end. I believe the Village Administrator's got the authority to modify that schedule to take recognition of the fact that people are spending a long day here. We have a meeting on Monday, and if we know it's going to be a really long meeting I would say that would be one area to modify. I think it's one

of those things with public service that this is the one time we present to the public the work we've done, the reasons that we feel certain things should happen, why certain recommendations are occurring. Things that have an impact on peoples' lives.

And without exception staff work that comes out at these meetings is excellent work. I think a lot of people really don't take advantage of the information that could be gathered at a public meeting or a public hearing where the Village staff is saying here's the issue before us, here are the alternatives, this is why we should look at it going in one direction. Then the other is in the case of a topic that demands a hearing where we can hear the public's side on it. If somebody can't make it, just like it's been that way forever, somebody is always able to send in a written correspondence that will be included in the agenda packet. So that's where I'm coming from on this.

I'm not saying this to be hard on the staff or not that we shouldn't recognize the fact that some of these meetings are troublesome to them. But I think that's the nature of the business to be honest with you. And if we're going to be receptive to the public and be available to them I think we need to find a way to be available to the most people that we can and find a way to accommodate the few that can't be. And if other people can't make it by five then they quit coming or they take a pass on it because they don't think they can get out of work or they can get here soon enough.

I really can't support the change in time to 6 p.m. whether it be really any of the policy making boards that we have. The only exception I could think of is police and fire, and almost all their meetings are closed session. So it kind of takes away that need of setting it for a public hearing. You can have a public hearing of the Police and Fire Commission by the request of an applicant or somebody who is being terminated. At that point that's scheduled and it gets published in the paper and we have our public hearing. But I think I can remember over 30 years two of those. So it's not common. I've said enough.

Michael Serpe:

I'd like to hear from the rest of the Board members on this.

Dave Klimisch:

It's a balancing act between the needs of the public that work until five versus the needs of the public that don't work until five versus the needs of the staff who works a long day. Administration can adjust the schedules as you've noted. I know from talking to people there's people that work until five, there's people that would rather have it start at five. It gets to be dark, it gets to be late especially if you have a longer meeting. So in my experience there's a decent percentage of the population where starting at five or six there's pros and cons depending who we're talking to.

And given what Trustee Serpe was talking about which is a good point we can take a break in session. We can schedule the public hearings later. There's flexibility as you noted. Maybe there's interest in putting the Plan Commission and Board on the same night. I know that's a separate issue. I could support a change taking this out of ordinance and putting it in the

resolution with a five o'clock start noting that the efforts would be made to be accommodating and flexible as we need if people are showing up at whatever time they have. Not everybody works until five. There's a lot of public that we're trying to serve.

Kris Keckler:

I appreciate administration taking the time from the recommendation to administer a survey and get some feedback. I was certainly hoping that there would have been a larger response, but at least we got dozens of qualified people. At least it wasn't just five people taking it ten times each at least I hope not.

Nathan Thiel:

That's not allowed by the way. You weren't allowed to take it multiple times just so we're clear.

Kris Keckler:

But it was anonymous and how would you know that?

Kris Keckler:

I know, behind the scenes. I really appreciate that it was out there and that you had several options for them to choose from. So I'd be willing to entertain the five o'clock start time with the expectation that's already been illustrated that both the administration and the Board are considerate of concerns that any of those that have business before the Board take that into account, whether it's adjusting for the agenda or even taking a slight recess. I think with today's day and age and the amount of ways that not only these are posted and communicated but the preparatory work that the department heads take in making those parties aware of when their agenda items are to be presented and voted on that there's more than enough and ample time for them to have their concerns communicated and addressed. I'm support now of at least trying the five o'clock start time.

John Steinbrink:

I think I've been here for meetings a five o'clock, six o'clock, 6:30, 7, 7:30, eight o'clock. Seven o'clock and eight o'clock get running really late. I don't know, I look out in the audience and what do I see? The lady in the back she's here every meeting. Steve, he's here every meeting. Terry, she's here mostly every meeting. The rest is staff. And unless there's an agenda item, the rest of the audience is pretty much vacant. I don't know. I can go probably with any time, but we did five o'clock. There was public outcry on that. Then we changed it. That's why we're at six o'clock. We can go with a time, we'll see how long it lasts. Like I say we've been all over the board. And we'll probably be changing again. I do feel bad that staff shows up, they're here every meeting, they're responsive. And it makes a long day for them. But are we able to accommodate all others that have agenda items? If there's not an agenda item there's not a turnout in the audience generally.

Michael Serpe:

John, when we changed to six o'clock if I remember this correctly, we had meeting times and different boards starting at different times, each one started different. And I think the move was start everybody at the same time, Board, Plan Commission, Board of Appeals, all of them. Like I said, I think we've proven over and over again that we will do whatever we can to accommodate the public. We're not going to shut them out. We're not going to be behind closed doors meetings. And if we have to recess a meeting because somebody has something they want to say on the agenda let us know and we'll wait until you get here. I mean it's as simple as that. I don't want to stop anybody from having their say and asking some permission from the Board for something that they need.

I think five o'clock would work well. The naysayers no matter what if they attend or not they're going to criticize us no matter time we come up with. Right now if we left it at six o'clock nobody is going to say anything. But then to consider staff, Board, accommodations for everybody, I don't see a problem with five o'clock. One thing that we don't have in this area that we used to have for years was factories punching a clock at six o'clock in the morning, or seven or eight o'clock in the morning and punching out at 3:30 in the afternoon. Yeah, there's still people that punch clocks, but there's flexibility in the workplace now that's never been here before. People are working from home on occasion. They go into work. If they have to change their schedule they're allowed to work from home. So there's flexibility in the workplace, and I think we can be as flexible as well.

John Steinbrink:

The only one out there is Planning Commission, and we have retirees, we have people that do punch a clock. There was a consensus taken among the Planning Commission members as to their availability to be available at an earlier time.

Nathan Thiel:

Jean, do you want to answer that one?

Jean Werbie-Harris:

So we do have a number of our Plan Commission members that are retired, and I did speak with those individuals. And they would not have a problem with the earlier start time. And there were three individuals that -- one I spoke with, the other two I have not spoken with yet to find out. Again, for the Plan Commission it would be two meetings a month, and both of them work in flexible positions based on what their job entails, that they would likely be able to come early. As long as they know in advance when the meetings are they would be able to attend early because they have flexible job schedules as well.

Michael Serpe:

Could I ask one more questions?

John Steinbrink:

Sure.

Michael Serpe:

Is it possible if we did come to a five o'clock start time for the Board and the Plan Commission, could we put this on a six month experiment to see what it does and evaluate it? Is that possible?

Nathan Thiel:

Well, if it's by resolution you can modify it at any time. And that's part of the thought process was, again, for me personally I understand Mike's comments about making ourselves available to the public. For me I know that I'm a Village Administrator, this is what I signed up for, I realize that I have a job to do, and I'm going to have evening meetings, right? My thought process is really my main focus has been this evening is really to focus on let's try to be a little more flexible in how we have it stated. When it's in the ordinance it's almost like it's written in stone, right? It feels a little bit less -- your ability to make modifications is less flexible. And so to answer your question, in short, Trustee Serpe, yes, we can -- by resolution we can make this modification. I will bring it back up in six months and can bring it forward for a future discussion.

Michael Serpe:

If nobody has another comment on it I would move approval of Resolution 19-32 for a five o'clock start on the Village Board meetings.

John Steinbrink:

Are you going with the six months?

Michael Serpe:

Yeah, if we want to evaluate it in six months. If it's working negatively against us we'll reconsider it.

Dave Klimisch:

I'll second that.

John Steinbrink:

We have a motion and a second. Any further discussion? Those in favor?

Voices:

Aye.

John Steinbrink:

Opposed?

Mike Pollocoff:

Aye.

Michael Serpe:

With that, Mr. Chairman I would move approval of Resolution 19-33 for a five o'clock start time of the Village Plan Commission and Park Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals.

Nathan Thiel:

Do we need to approve Ordinance 19-34 first?

Michael Serpe:

I'm sorry?

Nathan Thiel:

We move on Resolution 19-32, but Ordinance 19-34.

Kris Keckler:

Move approval of Ordinance 19-34.

Dave Klimisch:

Second.

John Steinbrink:

Motion and a second on Ordinance 19-34. Further discussion?

Jane Snell:

I need clarification. Are we going to remove the day of the meeting out of the ordinance and add it to the resolution? Or is that going to remain in the ordinance? Because I know you mentioned it.

Nathan Thiel:

That would be my thought process and my preference. But, again, I can leave that for the Board to decide.

Kris Keckler:

I'll amend my motion to reflect that the listing of the specific days are removed from the ordinance as well.

Dave Klimisch:

Second.

John Steinbrink:

Motion and a second. Further discussion?

Dave Klimisch:

So the ordinance will read that the Plan Commission will be held on -- the Village Board will be meeting twice a month, second and fourth week -- or first and third week?

Nathan Thiel:

Correct. And by resolution the time and day will be decided by resolution.

Mike Pollocoff:

When is it effective?

Jane Snell:

When is the effective date?

Michael Serpe:

Dave, I made the motion. I changed my motion to reflect the Ordinance 19-34, that's what you're looking for, right?

Mike Pollocoff:

When do you want it to become effective?

Michael Serpe:

When? By the next Board meeting, is that too soon?

Jane Snell:

That's fine, November 18th?

Michael Serpe:

Yeah, right.

Dave Klimisch:

Will that give enough time to publicize?

Nathan Thiel:

Jean, when is the next public hearing that you have scheduled on the Plan Commission.

Jean Werbie-Harris:

November 25th. But the notices are going out Wednesday actually.

Nathan Thiel:

So we can make that modification?

Michael Serpe:

That's for the Plan Commission, right?

Jean Werbie-Harris:

Right, for the Plan Commission. I've got two public hearings.

Nathan Thiel:

So we should be fine to make the modification by the 18th and the 25th.

Kathy Goessl:

The public hearing already was published for the budget on November 18th at six o'clock.

Nathan Thiel:

Why don't we plan on effective January? We'll just do the first of the year.

Kris Keckler:

All right, starting with the first meeting in January 2020.

Michael Serpe:

That's better.

John Steinbrink:

Going back we were on a six months basis for the Board. Is that the same for the other commissions then?

Michael Serpe:

I would recommend that, yes.

John Steinbrink:

That's going back to the other motion. I apologize.

Michael Serpe:

Right. For this one on a six month trial basis starting January 1st and evaluate it on June 1st.

John Steinbrink:

Okay. It's the same day, you're just changing the time.

Michael Serpe:

The resolution is changing the time. The ordinance is identifying the date.

Nathan Thiel:

Correct, so we'll keep the same day, and we'll modify the resolution to have the day be Monday, and it will be at 5 p.m. And we'll begin it the first of the year.

John Steinbrink:

So the dates don't change, just the time within this changes.

Nathan Thiel:

Correct.

Dave Klimisch:

And that's what you moved, Mr. Serpe?

Michael Serpe:

Yes.

Dave Klimisch:

I'll second that.

John Steinbrink:

We have a new motion and second. Any further discussion on that? Those in favor?

Voices:

Aye.

John Steinbrink:

Opposed?

Mike Pollocoff:

No.

John Steinbrink:

Motion carries. That brings us to New Business.

Michael Serpe:

We have to do Item 7b yet, John. That's all the other commissions. So with that I would move approval of Resolution 19-33 and Ordinance 19-35 with the same verbiage as we had starting in

January, six month evaluation that the meeting times start at five o'clock but the meeting dates remain the same.

Dave Klimisch:

Second.

John Steinbrink:

Motion and a second. Any discussion? Those in favor?

Voices:

Aye.

John Steinbrink:

Opposed?

Mike Pollocoff:

No.

John Steinbrink:

Motion carries.

SERPE MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #19-32 AND ORDINANCE #19-34 AMENDING CHAPTER 98 AS IT RELATES TO THE MEETING DAYS AND TIME OF VILLAGE BOARD EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2020; SECONDED BY KLIMISCH; MOTION CARRIED 4-1.

SERPE MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #19-33 AND ORDINANCE #19-35 AMENDING CHAPTER 18 AS IT RELATES TO THE MEETING DAYS AND TIME OF THE PLAN COMMISSION, PARK COMMISSION AND ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2020; SECONDED BY KLIMISCH; MOTION CARRIED 4-1.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Consider approval of Ordinance #19-39 and #19-40 amending the code to include underage tobacco prohibition to include vaping products.**

Nathan Thiel:

I can move forward with this one. This was a recommendation that was brought forward by our Municipal Court Judge. Tonight there are two related proposals before the Board. The first adds

vaping and the use of e-cigarettes to the definition of smoking that is prohibited in the Village owned and leased facilities. In addition to this update, Section 250-14 of the Village ordinance which once dealt with open burning until that was moved elsewhere in the Village code is being recreated to address the sale and possession of cigarettes, tobacco, nicotine and vaping products by minors.

The first part of the new section in 250-14 adopts by ordinance the existing state statutes pertaining to furnishing cigarettes, tobacco and nicotine products to minors and underage possession. This is a matter of state preemption, and we can only adopt an ordinance that is in strict conformity with State statutes. We thought we had this on the books and, in fact, our officers have issued citations. But when one of them came before Judge Ginkowski last month, he discovered the omission and had to dismiss the citation. The Judge brought this to our attention, and this proposal corrects the omission.

The second part addresses the more recent issue of underage vaping. There are two parallel bills in the Legislature to deal with this that is co-sponsored by Senator Wanggaard and Representative Kerkman, but they have been sitting without action for several months. The considerable health dangers of vaping have been in the news almost daily for the past few months. And Judge Ginkowski reports that the subject was widely discussed by municipal judges at their statewide meeting last month. There he learned that the City of Kenosha has a very detailed anti-vaping ordinance. The other part of the new section of 250-14 addresses the vaping issue as it relates to minors. If and when the legislature adopts the anti-vaping bill there may also be state preemption, but we won't know anything unless and until they both become law. And so far it's still an if.

This gets in the loop ahead of the curve unless and until the Legislature does something. If that occurs, the Judge will likely get an update from the Director of State Courts and will keep us in the loop. Chief Smetana has indicated support as well. In fact, if he were here tonight he would have been most likely presenting this issue. If there are any questions I can entertain them at this time.

Mike Pollocoff:

Fitzgerald and Voss have gone on record saying they don't support this?

Nathan Thiel:

That I am not aware of, but I'm presuming that because they haven't moved forward with it, it's probably not supported. And, again, this really is an issue that probably should be handled at the State level. But clearly at this point in time I was trying to remedy it in the interim.

Kris Keckler:

So just today Governor Evers releases something through the educational field that was distributed with increased concerns about this and the trouble that it's putting on our young population. And it's something that obviously is certainly alarming, and I'm glad we're taking

the steps to address it here. I would just encourage any parents or anybody else that think their children might be exposed to this that they learn the basics of it and just how damaging these newer devices could be and what they could lead to as far as unfortunate scenarios for the children. And obviously with increased attention nationally between the health scares and everything else you don't want to see that. But it might just take some more unfortunate situations that gets it the attention that it deserves so that this is addressed. And it's a shame that the legislators aren't looking at this as the true health scare that it should be.

Michael Serpe:

Chief Roepke, have we had any -- not that they would necessarily come through the rescue squad, they'd probably take their victims to the hospital themselves, but have you had any calls on this at all?

Chief Roepke:

We have had none relating to specifically vaping.

Michael Serpe:

Okay. Those are something you would see your own doctor for with trouble breathing.

Chief Roepke:

Typically what I've understood in the new some of the acute lung problems or difficulty breathing we haven't seen any of that to date.

Michael Serpe:

Too bad you have to legislate common sense, but that's the way it goes. I'd move approval of this 19-39 and 19-40.

Mike Pollocoff:

Second.

John Steinbrink:

We have a motion and a second. Further discussion? Those in favor?

Voices:

Aye.

John Steinbrink:

Opposed? Motion carries.

SERPE MOVED TO APPROVE ORDINANCE #19-39 AND #19-40 AMENDING THE CODE TO INCLUDE UNDERAGE TOBACCO PROHIBITION TO INCLUDE VAPING PRODUCTS; SECONDED BY POLLOCOFF; MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

B. Presentation of Prairie Highland Corporate Park Progression Video.

John Steinbrink, Jr.:

Thank you. Mr. President and members of the Board, we have a short video. If we can get that queued up? There we go.

[Video Shown of Prairie Highland Corporate Park Progression]

John Steinbrink, Jr.:

[Spoke during video but his presentation inaudible]. It really looks like a corporate park, so we're very excited to present that to the Board. Not sure if you guys have any comments or questions on it.

Michael Serpe:

Just a comment, John. You guys are doing a great job on this. But I think a person that needs a lot of credit for the engineering on this is Matt Fineour with the amount of work that he put in on it.

John Steinbrink, Jr.:

Absolutely. Matt Fineour and Kurt Davidsen both have just done a great job along with the Village Admin, the foresight of the Board, everyone involved. It's a huge, huge project that -- I've been on some smaller projects, some very small residential subdivisions where they have the wrong engineers, they have the wrong contractors. It's so much work and so painful to go through. And by having the right grading contractor with Reeseman, R.A. Smith and our engineering staff it's really gone amazingly well for the size of the contract that it is, the amount of grading that happened. Everyone is working with the best interests to get a great product at the end of the day. You don't see that happen very often unfortunately.

So we're very fortunate to have all the right players in place and the Board that would take a chance to take something like this all the way back from the '90s saying, you know what, I've got a vision for this and actually make something out of it which is really going to help the tax base and everything for the future of Pleasant Prairie. So it's very exciting to be a part of that for sure.

Michael Serpe:

A job well done.

Mike Pollocoff:

I agree. If you think back to what it took to do the first phase of LakeView Corporate Park, and that was probably three to four of the most painful years I can remember. And this was done in a year and a half. We took our lumps and we learned some things. And it was our land so it wasn't an argument with ourselves what we were going to do. It turned out well. That makes it a lot easier. I agree with you the staff did a good job of getting this thing lined out and designed and built on schedule and built on budget.

Nathan Thiel:

I don't know if the Village Board has had an opportunity. I presume that you've had an opportunity to drive out there. But if you haven't I would encourage you to go out there. The park is really taking shape. It's looking sharp. Clearly Aurora is also a nice feature. It adds immediate value to the park. We're excited. As staff we're working on signage and other things that I think is going to make this park really pop and be something that can be a real showcase for the community. So we continue to be excited about it.

Mike Pollocoff:

It's our drone that did this?

John Steinbrink, Jr.:

It was a combination of a Village drone and R.A. Smith, our consulting project manager for that and engineer.

Mike Pollocoff:

Impressive.

John Steinbrink, Jr.:

Thank you. And Ryan from our communications department put the video together. I don't have the capability [inaudible].

Mike Pollocoff:

[Inaudible] Haribo.

Nathan Thiel:

When we visited with Haribo earlier this year we actually created a similar video. Of course, we only had up to last December, but we presented something similar. And I think the hope is after tonight actually to post this on Facebook as well so that it's available to view. So we'll share it with Haribo as well.

John Steinbrink, Jr.:

Thank you very much.

C. Consider approval of Resolution #19-41 for the Acceptance of Public Improvements regarding Public Sanitary Sewer System, Public Storm Sewer System, Public Water Main Improvements and Public Roadway Improvements for Prairie Highlands Corporate Park.

John Steinbrink, Jr.:

The next item I have is acceptance of public improvements for the Prairie Highlands Corporate Park development. With all the video there you really got to see the roadway. Underneath there we have the sanitary sewer, the water and the storm sewer. It's all been inspected. It's all passed all the tests. It's still under a warranty period from one year of today. But it's important that the Village accept this. One because it starts the warranty process. But, two, it gets located for all of the other infrastructure improvements that happen with that. But it's been a great project. Everything's been going well with it.

A lot of pipe in the ground, a lot of dirt being moved, a lot of concrete poured. I think there was in one day, I forgot what day it was, when they were pouring the roads they poured \$900,000 of concrete in one day which is just mind boggling to how much concrete that was. And I saw them going by the house about every five minutes with the cement truck going down. And the roads turned out good, and the sanitary sewers are all great. So I do recommend acceptance of the public improvements as presented this evening.

Mike Pollocoff:

I move approval.

Kris Keckler:

Second.

John Steinbrink:

Motion and a second. Further discussion?

Nathan Thiel:

Just one thing to add. This will be an important step as we move forward with Haribo. The intent is to now go for the second closing on the property. And I know John is working with his staff to get kind of the time line and the histories that Haribo is requesting. But we're really excited about this. We're closing our chapter of the agreement with Haribo and looking forward to their breaking ground this coming summer or late spring, early summer.

John Steinbrink:

I think one thing to remember is all this happened, Mike knows this, the removal of blighted areas, things that we can't do today. So if this opportunity arose again we would not be able to do this. And that's through the wisdom of our helpers in Madison. They're all for being there for the pictures when we start the groundbreaking, but they're not there for the work when it comes to making it happen. So hat's off to all the Village people and the Board, everybody that worked to make this a happening. In today's climate it wouldn't happen. We'd be sitting and looking at the bookstores and military museums, salvage yards, fire work stands, taxidermists, everything that doesn't aid to the Village's growth and well being. Maybe they'll work on dark stores. All right, we have a motion and a second. Any other further discussion? Those in favor?

Voices:

Aye.

John Steinbrink:

Opposed? Motion carries.

POLLOCOFF MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #19-41 FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS REGARDING PUBLIC SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM, PUBLIC STORM SEWER SYSTEM, PUBLIC WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS AND PUBLIC ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS FOR PRAIRIE HIGHLANDS CORPORATE PARK; SECONDED BY KECKLER; MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

D. Consider approval of Plan Commission Appointment.

Jane Snell:

We have one Plan Commission appointment that is being recommended by the administration staff, its John Skalbeck. His term would be November 5, 2019 to April 30, 2021. John is moving from the Alternate #1 spot to the seat vacated by Jim Bandura.

Michael Serpe:

Move approval.

Kris Keckler:

Second.

John Steinbrink:

Motion and a second. Further discussion? Those in favor?

Voices:

Aye.

John Steinbrink:

Opposed? Motion carries.

SERPE MOVED TO APPROVE JOHN SKALBECK AS ALTERNATE #1 TO MEMBER OF THE PLAN COMMISSION WITH A TERM OF NOVEMBER 5, 2019 TO APRIL 30, 2021; SECONDED BY KECKLER; MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

9. VILLAGE BOARD COMMENTS

John Steinbrink:

Just to remind people that on Sunday at 1:30 the veterans' ceremony out at Prairie Springs Park. We have that no matter what kind of weather. But it can't get any worse than it was, so we're looking for better weather and good weather. The other item is I keep reading in the paper about phone scams. And I get umpteen calls a day, and now they're calling with my own number. And it's just amazing that Madison or Washington can't do anything to stop this. I'm not sure what the reasoning is. But everybody talks about this and the hardship it is especially with the scams. And this should be an easy thing to put an end to. All it takes is the right legislation, but apparently there's lobbyists, they don't want to step on their toes.

Nathan Thiel:

John, just one followup. Dan Honore' is with us. I know that they're going to be doing another session for kind of IT security. They did that in November. I forget the day, but they're going to be redoing that same session. And I forget the date and time, Dan.

Dan Honore':

November 13th at 6 p.m.

Nathan Thiel:

Six p.m. So any residents that want to join us on November 13th. It was a really good program. I think you were there, John. And they actually talked about is it called spoofing? I forget the technical term.

John Steinbrink:

I don't know. When I was done I wanted to go home and beat my computer with a hammer just to protect myself. Anything else under Village Board comments?

10. ADJOURNMENT

Michael Serpe:

I move to adjourn.

Dave Klimisch:

Second.

John Steinbrink:

Motion and a second for adjournment. Those in favor?

Voices:

Aye.

John Steinbrink:

Opposed? Motion carries.

**SERPE MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING; SECONDED BY KLIMISCH;
MOTION CARRIED 5-0 AND MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:53 P.M.**