

**Village of Howards Grove**  
**Public hearing & board meeting minutes for November 17, 2020**  
**Approved**

- I. Public Hearing discussion for 2021 Budget: Public hearing called to order at 5:30pm and was adjourned at 5:35pm.
- II. Call Board Meeting to Order: Regular board meeting was called to order at 5:35pm in the Village Hall.
- III. Verification of Meeting Duly Noticed and Roll Call: It was stated that the meeting was verified and duly noticed. Roll call: President Plass, Trustee's Hudson, Osby, Meyer, Heili, and Horness. Also, in attendance Public Works Director Welsing. Absent Trustee Kunze.
- IV. Approval prior Meeting Minutes for October 20,2020: Motion to approve the minutes as written made by Trustee Horness, seconded by Trustee Heili. Carried. 6-0
- V. Public Comments and Correspondence: Public Works stated that Ms. Winter has made a formal complaint regarding the pump trucks that haul to the plant at certain hours and the odor that comes from them.
- VI. Discussion/Action Annual Sheboygan County Sheriff's Department Joint Powers Agreement: Motion to approve the Joint Powers agreement made by Trustee Hudson, seconded by Trustee Osby. Carried. 6-0
- VII. Discussion/Action on Bond Council for Clean Water Project Loan: This is something that we are required to have for the project and Quarles and Brady came recommended to us, but we wanted to check with the opinion of our Attorney. They also recommend Quarles and stated that the \$10,000.00 fee is a standard in the industry. Motion to approve hiring Quarles and Brady for Bond Council for \$10,000.00 made by Trustee Hudson, seconded by Trustee Horness. Carried. 6-0
- VIII. Discuss/ Action on Blight matter for home on College Ave and Hwy 42: President Plass stated that he wants to be consistent with these matters and when we do get a complaint he wants to follow and meet with property owner and see if we can come with some solution and then go from there. At this time, we have two properties with issues, and one has been an issue for some time and would like to see a firmer stance going forward. These properties are both rented properties so we would send letters to both. We need to talk to the Attorney on who is issued the citation. Board agreed to send letters to the properties and owners of the properties.
- IX. Work in process: Reviewed items that we are working on, such as road list, policy folder, storm water projects.
- X. Village and Sanitary Utility Vouchers: Finance Committee recommended approval. Motion to approve the vouchers and issue checks for October 20, 2020 to November 15, 2020 totaling \$33,983.83 and date November 16, 2020 totaling \$71,622.69 made by Trustee Hudson, seconded by Trustee Osby. Carried. 6-0
- XI. Approve the 2021 Budget: President Plass stated that we had discussion and an approved balanced budget in front of us. He felt with the circumstances surrounding the budget we did a great job as well as the girls in the office getting this prepared for us. He stated we are in the best shape ever and it is the earliest that they've ever approved the budget. Motion to approve the 2021 budget as presented made by President Plass, seconded by trustee Heili. Carried. 6-0

**XII.** Approve the Resolution to Adopt the 2020 Tax Levy in the Amount of \$799,966: Motion to approve Resolution 2020-06 for 2020 levy for \$799,966 made by President Plass, seconded by Trustee Meyer. Carried. 6-0

**XIII.** Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 6:11pm made by Trustee Hudson, seconded by Trustee Osby. Carried 6-0