

**Village of Cambridge Village Board
Amundson Community Center, Community Room
200 Spring Street
Tuesday, September 28, 2021, 6:30 p.m.**

THIS IS AN IN-PERSON MEETING. DUE TO INCREASE CASES OF COVID 19 AND ITS VARIANTS, DANE COUNTY HAS REINSTATED A MASK MANDATE SO MASKS WILL BE REQUIRED AT THE MEETING. THE MEETING ROOM WILL BE SET UP FOR SOCIAL DISTANCING. THANK YOU!

Village Board Minutes

- 1. Call to Order/Roll Call** President McNally called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. Members present: Trustees: Kumbier, Wittwer, Rose, Franklin, McNally, Galler, (arrived at 6:49pm.) Others present: Lisa Moen, Administrator; Chrissie Brynwood, Treasurer. Cambridge residents, Kris Breunig, Chris Kreuger, Jon Duckert, Kim Reniero, Megan & Blake Sollenberger, Karen Ehr, Jacob Stevenson, Dean Lund, Jody & Troy Grams, Abbi Kruse, Jamie Downing, Vicki Hearing, Kris Schaefer-Weis, Stephanie O'Toole, Gail Tuffe & Craig Carpenter. Town of Christiana; Becky Slater, Roaxanne Hanson, Amanda & Chris Reed, Roxy Engelstad. Town of Oakland: Craig & Betsy Wilson. Town of Edgerton; Hans Lein, Janice Redford, The Press. Margaret Banker, Cambridge School District Superintendent. Mike Reiber, The Dancing Goat. Kayla Sipple, South Central Landscapes. Jamie Montonye, Cambridge Business. Dan Litchfield, Koshkonog Solar.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Proof of Posting** The agenda was posted in the upper and lower levels of the Amundson Community Center, Cambridge Post Office, Hometown Bank and the Village Web Site.
- 4. Public Appearances:**
 - a. Cambridge School Superintendent Margaret Banker mentioned she has been at the district for three and a half months and have met a lot of people. She stated that they are developing a strategic plan and has already had their annual meeting. The meeting highlighted energy efficiency. Also mentioned that student enrollment is up which is a sign of health. Their mill rate was lowered. Has used some of the federal funding for cleaning and PPE protocols. The district has about 125 students that open enroll and choose Cambridge school district. Ms. Banker also introduced Jim Womble. President McNally requested that she and Mr. Womble return in the Spring for another update.
 - b. Public Input regarding Solar Project:
 - I. Blake Sollenberger regarding Koshkonog Solar, expressed his opinion that they are offering an insulting offer and they are threatening, and the Village Board should not allow it.
 - II. Jamie Downing- Currently trying to sell their home but has heard people are not wanting to move to Cambridge due to this environmental factor.
 - III. Megan Sollenberger expressed her concerns on the Solar project and stated that if they knew this project would be going in, they would not have bought a home here.
 - IV. Chris Reed, the town of Christiana spoke in his opposition to the Solar Project.
 - V. Karen Ehr spoke that she has noticed people are stating that they do not want to be in Cambridge if this project moves forward.
 - VI. Dan Litchfield- With Koshkonog Solar stated that this is complicated but states it won't interfere with the land use plans.
 - VII. 2186 Pleasant- Town of Christiana, spoke that this project is detrimental to the community. Also, that zoning rules have not kept pace.
 - VIII. Mike Reiber Dancing Goat- Raised concern with the Village asking to open eyes and open lines of communication.
 - IX. Roxy Engelstad- Town of Christiana discussed TIF requirements, percentages that can be residential.
 - X. Dean Lund- Thanked all the people for coming to the meeting and making comments.

5. Approval of Consent Agenda:

- a. Village Board Minutes: September 14 and September 21, 2021, Trustee Kumbier wants to change his vote to “no” regarding the letter.
- b. Economic Development Committee: September 20, 2021
- c. Energy Subcommittee: September 21, 2021
- d. Personnel Committee: September 21, 2021

Trustee Kumbier made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, with Kumbier changing his vote on one item, seconded by Trustee Witwer. Motion carried.

6. Reports:

- a. Presidents Report-McNally stated that the Pizza Pit has shut down entirely and not looking at other places.
- b. Water and Sewer Committee: September 27, 2021 Trustee Kumbier stated that Steve Struss to serve on the committee. Mr. Struss would be willing to serve but on a temporary basis.
- c. Village Office Updates: Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer Moen: Working on personnel issues/paperwork, a number of ongoing projects, many of which are on the agenda: Solar Panels, Bike Trail, old developers agreements. Used snow plow has been purchased for \$50,000, Old one is for sale and we have had some interest. Researching short term loans, which will be brought back to the Board. We will be interviewing for two deputy positions. Deputy Sinclair has been promoted to Lt. Deputy VandeBurgt has taken a new position. We have received confirmation that we will not be billed for the remainder of Deputy Sinclair’s FMLA from the date of promotion. Deputy VandeBurgt will remain in the position until his replacement is ready to begin. Beginning work on the budget. Will be scheduling an audit and finance committee meeting.

7. Bills First round \$25,164.93 2nd Round \$3,890.36 Totaling \$29,055.29.

Trustee Kumbier made a motion to approve the bills as presented, seconded by Trustee Franklin. Motion carried on a roll-call vote.

8. New Business:

- a. Village of Cambridge Resolution 2021-08 Authorizing Submission of a DNR Recycling Grant – Treasurer Brynwood stated that a resolution was not needed at this time.
- b. Bike Trail – Update: Force Main has been moved. Construction on the retaining wall has been started, when completed, the paving will begin. Met with the Winery and the Dancing Goat regarding the location of the bike path. While the Winery is open to moving it onto their property, the Dancing Goat has expressed an interest in leaving it where it is and constructing a fence between their building/equipment and the trail. We are working with the Dancing Goat’s attorney to describe the terms under which they would be willing to convey the easements necessary for the path. No new CSM would be needed as the lot lines are not changing. We could vacate the current recorded bike trail easement and create and approve new ones that accurately show the location of the path. In conjunction, we are working with Dane County on the stormwater issues.
- c. Contract with Barbara Goeckner- Discussion regarding to bring Ms. Goeckner back not to exceed \$1,500.00 to help go through old offices papers and assist Treasurer Brynwood with the upcoming budget.

Trustee Franklin made a motion to approve, not to exceed \$1,500 to bring back Ms. Goeckner on a contract to

assist Treasurer Brynwood with Budget, seconded by Trustee Rose. Motion carried on roll call vote.

- d. Cambridge Farm to School – Temporary Liquor License: Cambridge Fall Fest, 10-9-2021, Westside Park- Administrator Moen mentioned that the police have reviewed it and is have signed off on the event.

Trustee Wittwer made a motion to approve the temporary liquor license for the Cambridge Farm to School 10-9-2021 in Westside Park, seconded by Trustee Kumbier. Motion carried.

- e. Appointment to Committees – Discussion on appointing Steve Struss to the Water and Sewer Committee and Trustee Galler to the Joint Review Committee.

Trustee Galler made a motion to appoint Steve Strass to the Water and Sewer committee on temporary basis, seconded by Trustee Franklin. Motion carried.

Trustee Wittwer made a motion to appoint Trustee Galler to the Joint Review Committee, seconded by Trustee Kumbier. Motion Carried.

- f. Public Works Laborer position posting- Discussed wage for Public Works Laborer position needs to be increased to make job desirable and part vs. full time.

Trustee Franklin made a motion to post the full time Public Works Laborer position with a rate of \$17-\$20 per hour, seconded by Trustee Kumbier. Motion Carried.

- g. Step Increases for Employees Completing Certifications- Administrator Moen stated that as the employees obtain their water certifications as well as their CDL she recommends that they get a \$1.00 increase.

Trustee Franklin made a motion to approve the \$1.00 per certification and CDL, but must maintain their CDL, seconded by Trustee Kumbier. Motion Carried on a roll call vote.

- h. Joint Meeting with Oakland-Administrator Moen stated Oakland proposed four days, October 20, 21, 27 and 28. Proposed discussing the LRIP grant for Blue Jay Way. October 27th seems to work the best for us, Moen will share with Oakland. Please forward any topics for discussion.

9. Unfinished Business: Discussion and Possible Action regarding:

- a. Fire Commission Update- Hasn't met, so no update.
- b. Building Subcommittee Update-Hasn't met, so no update.
- c. Energy Sub Committee -Trustee Rose mentioned that the PSC denied our grant request. We haven't yet received the denial letter/language.

10. Correspondence:

- a. McNally Letter of Support for Lake Ripley Management District's purchase of property. Dean Lund questioned the board if they can ask Lake Ripley's Management District for a letter as well.
- b. President McNally Letter of Support for Cambridge Inn on Main. Trustee Galler mentioned she also sent one as Chair of the Economic Development Committee.

11. Upcoming Meetings: September 29, Joint Law Enforcement; October 11, Plan Commission; October 12, Joint Law Enforcement & Village Board; October 13, Library Board; October 18, Economic Development; October 19, Energy Sub Committee; October 19, Water and Sewer;

October 26, TBD, Public Works & Audit & Finance.

12. Questions, Referrals to Staff or Future Agenda Items:

- a. Dane County, Jefferson County Library Resolutions
- b. COVID Protocols
- c. Trustee Rose mentioned to those in the audience to send their comments to the PSC, and suggests having a meeting with the Town of Christiana.
- d. Next agenda to have a discussion on Halloween- trick or treating times.
- e. Economic Development is requesting an update on the Welcome to Cambridge Signs.

13. Convene into Closed Session

Trustee Rose made a motion to convene into closed session per 19.85(1) (g) Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved and Koshkonong Solar Energy Project and related proceedings before the Public Service Commission and 19.85(1)(c) of the Wisconsin Statutes to consider the employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of Village employees: Village Board Vacancy, seconded by Trustee Wittwer. Motion carried on a 6-0 roll call vote.

14. Reconvene into open session

Trustee Wittwer made a motion to reconvene into open session at 8:11pm, seconded by Trustee Franklin. Motion carried on a 6-0 roll call vote.

15. Possible Action Taken on Closed Session Items

Trustee Rose made a motion to appoint Kris Schaefer Weis to Village Board, seconded by Trustee Galler, motion carried.

Trustee Rose made a motion to appoint Blake Sollenberger to a vacant seat on the Plan Commission, Water and Sewer Committee and the Zoning Board of Appeals, seconded by Trustee Wittwer. Motion carried.

16. Adjournment

Trustee Galler made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trustee Franklin. President McNally adjourned the meeting at 9:30pm.

Chrissie Brynwood, Treasurer/Deputy Administrator/Deputy Clerk

- 1) Persons needing special accommodations should call 608-423-3712 at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.
- 2) More specific information about agenda items may be obtained by calling 608- 423-3712.
- 3) Final Village Board agendas are typically posted by 4 PM on the Friday preceding the regular meeting at the Amundson Community Center, Cambridge Post Office and Hometown Bank and Village of Cambridge Web site at www.ci.cambridge.wi.us.