

VILLAGE OF WRIGHTSTOWN VILLAGE BOARD

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees, of the Village of Wrightstown, was held in the Community Room, at Village Hall, 352 High St., Wrightstown, WI, 54180, on **Tuesday, December 7, 2021** and convened at 6:29 p.m., after the meeting of the Committee of the Whole

Roll Call: Present – Village President Dean Erickson; Trustee Sue Byers; Trustee Mark Leonard; Trustee Andy Lundt; Trustee Terry Schaeuble; Trustee Dan Segerstrom; Trustee Keith Wendlandt

Also present: Ed Byrne (Brillion News); Administrator Travis Coenen; Director of Public Works Andy Vickman; Clerk/Treasurer Michelle Seidl; Police Chief Greg Deike; Fire Chief Mike Schampers, Fire Inspector Nathan Helbing, Resident Jennifer Swette for discussion on balcony grills; Tim Dole, Jean Jack, Neil Jack, Dustin Kersten, Ken Machlica, Isaac Minor, Brad Sigmund, Julie Sigmund, Greg Verhagen and Brian Vande Hey for proposed Golf Cart/ATV/UTV ordinance

PUBLIC HEARING

Motion made by A Lundt with a second made by S Byers to open the public hearing, before the Village of Wrightstown Board of Trustees, to hear from all persons and/or their agents on:

Ordinance 12072021, amending Chapter 102 Fees and Penalties, §102-1 Fees and Penalty Schedule, for Chapter 185 Vehicles and Traffic, Chapter 185 Vehicles and Traffic, §185-5 Disorderly Conduct with a Motor Vehicle (a), §185-6 Off-Road Vehicles and §185-10 Violations and Penalties (c) and adding Chapter 185 Vehicles and Traffic, §185-6.1 All-Terrain Vehicles/Utility Terrain Vehicles, of the Village of Wrightstown Municipal Code.

Motion carried.

Call made for public input

Email received from resident Gary Kaster, noting that he is in favor of Ordinance 12072021

Resident Tim Dole, 310 Fair St. addressed the Board of Trustees. He commended Chief Deike on the creation of Ordinance 12072021 and indicated that he is in favor. He feels that there will be a spike in Golf Cart/ATV/UTV use and violations once the regulation passes, but that will fade over time. The cost for required registration stickers and signage is minimal compared to the incentives given to businesses to promote Village growth over the last few years

Brian Vande Hey, 4068 Old Car Ct. is in favor of the Village having a Golf Cart/ATV/UTV ordinance, but, he feels registering and inspecting these vehicles could be costly in staff time. He feels that if issues arise, drivers should be cited. He also noted that newer ATV's are being equipped with directional signals, horns etc. and that local businesses could profit from this type of traffic

Dustin Kersten, 209 Haymeadow Ct. is in favor of Ordinance 12072021 and feels passing it will bring in additional revenues to Village business and will be a benefit to area residents

Resident/Trustee Keith Wendlandt, 562 Royal St. Pat's Dr. stated that he is in opposition of the Golf Cart/ATV/UTV amendment based on information obtained through this review process. He thanked

Chief Deike for the work done to create Ordinance 12072021 but feels since the initial request was received in April of 2021, the scope of the request changed from having a route be designated to allow Golf Carts/ATV's/UTV's to pass through the Village to connect trails in surrounding communities, to a request that Golf Carts/ATV's/UTV's be allowed to travel on most Village streets, at will. The responsibility of a Village Trustee is to consider the impact of new regulations on ALL Village residents, as it pertains to safety, costs, and enforcement. The following concerns were listed:

- Safety equipment that is standard on road vehicles is not standard on Golf Carts/ATV's/UTV's
- Helmets are required on Golf Carts/ATV's/UTV's for all operators and passengers under 18 years of age, yet the type of helmet required is not spelled out
- The potential result of an accident between these smaller vehicles, when coming in contact with cars, SUV's and semi-trucks, could be tragic
- The cost to tax payers for Village staff to inspect, register and enforce Golf Cart/ATV/UTV regulations could be high
- There is no good way to notify non-resident Golf Cart/ATV/UTV owners of new Village regulations
- Because Golf Cart/ATV/UTV speed should not exceed 25 m.p.h., slow moving signs should be required
- Minimum insurance coverage levels should be indicated in the ordinance

Current state law does not apply to Golf Cart/ATV/UTV drivers in regards to driving under the influence

Resident Tim Dole asked if the Board will no longer permit boat and snowmobile traffic in the Village since there are no state regulations regarding intoxicated operation. He also noted that anyone under the age of 18 on a Golf Cart/ATV/UTV must be wearing a DOT approved helmet

Brian Liebergen, 7246 CTH D, asked that the Village Board of Trustees vote in favor of Ordinance 12072021 because majority of residents are requesting it pass. Trustee Andy Lundt concurred and noted that it is a responsibility of an elected official to vote as best represents the constituents

Dustin Kersten feels that a Village Trustee should vote based on what is best for the community rather than as a result of personal feelings

Second call for public input was made with no response

Dustin Kersten noted that speed of a Golf Cart/ATV/UTV is safer for pedestrians than the speed in which regular traffic travels, since this seems to be a recurring concern

Last call for public input was made with no response

Motion made by A Lundt with a second made by D Segerstrom to close the public hearing. **Motion carried.**

UTILITY COMMISSION MONTHLY MEETING

Motion made by A Lundt with a second made by K Wendlandt to open the December 2021 Utility Commission Monthly Meeting. **Motion carried.**

WATER UTILITY

- Average of 157,000 gallons of water purchased daily from the City of Green Bay
- Quarterly meter reading done last week. Currently following up on high/low read consumptions
- Received new water use permit, which goes into effect on December 8th, permitting withdrawal of 1,310,400 gallons per day from Lake Michigan. Permit will expire on December 8, 2031
- Working on delinquent industrial customers to get their cross connection inspections completed

SEWER UTILITY

- Draft of new wastewater discharge permit received. Only changes pertain to phosphorus limits and sludge application
- Great Lakes was in to clean 23,000 ft. of sanitary main and all lift stations. They will be televising the same footage over the next couple of weeks
- PLC's have been ordered for the three main PLC's at the treatment facility. There is a 6-9 month lead time for receipt. Borrowed device from Waukesha is working and should get us through until the new units arrive

Motion made by A Lundt with a second made by T Schaeuble to close the December 2021 Utility Commission Monthly Meeting. **Motion carried.**

MINUTES – Motion made by K Wendlandt with a second made by A Lundt to approve the November 16, 2021 Village Board Meeting Minutes. **Motion carried.**

VOUCHERS - Motion made by S Byers with a second made by T Schaeuble to approve the vouchers from November 11, 2021 – December 1, 2021, totaling \$286,256.77. **Motion carried.**

SCHEDULED APPEARANCES - None

WALK-INS – None

CORRESPONDENCE - Thank you received from Carla Buboltz, Wrightstown Community School District, to Administrator Travis Coenen & Board of Trustees, for organizing the bus tour on Tuesday, November 9, 2021

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- Annual tree lighting and parade was a success after a short snafu with the tree lights. Thank you to staff, area business and organizations that participated

CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT

- Brown and Outagamie County Tax Bills have been calculated. Although no mailing date has been received from Outagamie, Brown County bills should mail tomorrow, December 8th

- Republican Party of Brown County submitted a list of nominees to serve as election officials for the Village for the 2022 – 2023 election cycle. These individuals will be added to the worker list for approval at the next board meeting. Training is scheduled for Thursday, December 16th

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE/PERSONNEL - -

- **Matt Moeder, Wrightstown Fire Department Hire** – Motion made by K Wendlandt with a second made by S Byers to approve the hire of Matt Moeder, volunteer, for Wrightstown Fire Department. **Motion carried.** Matt lives and volunteers for the Town of Buchanan but works for SD Wheel. He will be available to take Village calls during work hours
- **2021 Christmas Gift Certificate List** – Motion made by S Byers with a second made by T Schaeuble to approve the 2021 Gift Certificate List, as presented. **Motion carried.** Because the CDA did not meet in 2021, there will be no gift cards issued to these members
- **Wrightstown Development, LLC (Lost Key) Interest Free Loan** – Motion made by S Byers with a second made by T Schaeuble to table action on the interest free loan for Wrightstown Development, LLC (Lost Key) so cash position of the Village can be determined. **Motion carried.**

PARKS, RECREATION & REGIONAL PLANNING - -

- **Electric Grills on Village Balconies** – Resident Jennifer Swette, Bridgeview Condos, Unit 508, asked the Board of Trustees to consider updating regulations to allow electric grills on balconies of multi-family dwellings, if the grill has the proper UDC rating, to align with State of Wisconsin Fire Code. President Dean Erickson stated that his only concern with updating is the risk we are putting our firefighters in when responding to fires caused by these types of grills. Trustee Mark Leonard stated that allowing electric grills outdoors is much safer than having residents, with balconies, move the electric appliance indoors so they are following code. Trustee Keith Wendlandt mentioned that the Board will need to consider that there is currently a large multi-family development being constructed by Royal St. Pat's that will be impacted by this decision, as will future multi-family development. Motion was made by T Schaeuble with a second made by A Lundt for the Village Board to look into possibly updating regulations to allow. **Motion carried.**
- **NEW Operator License Applications** – Motion made by T Schaeuble with a second made by D Segerstrom to approve the following NEW Operator License Applications:
 - Barbara J. Duda, 919 Grignon St., Kaukauna, WI 54130, for Nauti-River Inn
 - Owen M. Van Helvoirt, 230 Theunis Dr., Wrightstown, WI 54180, for Dick's Family Foods**Motion carried.**
- **Ordinance Amendment 12072021 Golf Carts/ATV's/UTV's** – Motion made by Terry Schaeuble with a second made by A Lundt to approve Ordinance 12072021, amending Chapter 102 Fees and Penalties, §102-1 Fees and Penalty Schedule, for Chapter 185 Vehicles and Traffic, Chapter 185 Vehicles and Traffic, §185-5 Disorderly Conduct with a Motor Vehicle (a), §185-6 Off-Road Vehicles and §185-10 Violations and Penalties (c) and adding Chapter

185 Vehicles and Traffic, §185-6.1 All-Terrain Vehicles/Utility Terrain Vehicles, of the Village of Wrightstown Municipal Code. Trustee Andy Lundt asked the Board to consider that Golf Carts/ATV's/UTV's are safer than bicycles in regards to use of hand signals and proximity to regular road traffic. Trustee Dan Segerstrom feels driving these types of vehicles is a personal choice and it is the responsibility of the operator to make sure safety is a top priority. Trustee Sue Byers is concerned that since Golf Carts/ATV's/UTV's are not built for road use, and have equipment that could make them less stable, playing children could be put at risk. Resident Tim Dole noted that during the earlier conversation regarding electric grills, inspections of these units would be a requirement. If the Village Board is willing to inspect an electric grill, they should also be willing to inspect Golf Carts/ATV's/UTV's. Also, most standard road vehicles do not have sensors to indicate surrounding danger, so this should not be a factor in approving/not allowing Golf Cart/ATV/UTV vehicle operation on streets. Call of roll: Trustee Mark Leonard – no, Trustee Andy Lundt – yes, Trustee Keith Wendlandt – no, Trustee Dan Segerstrom - yes, Trustee Terry Schaeuble – yes, Trustee Sue Byers– no, President Dean Erickson – no. **Motion failed.**

- **Midwest Expansion, LLP Development Agreement** – Motion made by T Schaeuble with a second made by S Byers to approve the Midwest Expansion, LLP Developers Agreement for Village of Wrightstown parcel 300000401 at 601 & 603 County Road U. **Motion carried.**
- **Site Improvements for Village of Wrightstown Parcels 300015600 and 300015800**– Motion made by T Schaeuble with a second made by S Byers to approve the site improvements for Village of Wrightstown parcels 300015600 and 300015800, not to exceed \$80,000. **Motion carried.**

PUBLIC SAFETY - -

Fire Department Comments –

- Approximately half the calls received this year are on behalf of the Town of Lawrence, since they are still waiting for the arrival of their new truck
- Sold out of booyah during the annual sale!

Police Department Comments –

- Coffee with a Cop was held last Thursday. Home security was the topic. Representative Shae Sortwell was in attendance so flaws in statutes could be discussed.
- Discussions held regarding parade security, as a result of the Waukesha tragedy, and the December 4th event went off without a hitch.
- Shop with a Cop event was held last Saturday. Breakfast was at McDonald's with shopping at Walmart. The day ended with the parade and tree lighting!

Staff Christmas Party is on Tuesday, December 21st!

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Thank you to Kaukauna Utilities for the help decorating the downtown Christmas tree and the bridge!

ADJOURN – Motion made by S Byers with a second made by D Segerstrom to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.
Motion carried.

Michelle Seidl

Clerk/Treasurer