VILLAGE OF WRIGHTSTOWN <u>COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE</u> <u>MEETING MINUTES</u>

The regular bi-monthly meeting of the Committee of the Whole, of the Village of Wrightstown, was held at Wrightstown Village Hall, 352 High St., Wrightstown, WI, on **Tuesday, June 20**, **2023,** and was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

Trustee A Lundt, with a second made by Trustee M Leonard, motioned to appoint Trustee Sue Byers as President Pro Tem in the absence of Village President Dean J. Erickson. **Motion** carried.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: Present – President Pro Tem Trustee Sue Byers and Trustees Mark Leonard, Andy Lundt, Terry Schaeuble, Dan Segerstrom (*arrived at 6:05 p.m.*) and Julie Sigmund

Also present: Brian Roebke (Wrightstown Spirit); Administrator Travis Coenen; Public Works Director Andy Vickman; Clerk/Treasurer Michelle Seidl; Fire Chief Mike Schampers; Fire Inspector Nathan Helbing; Police Officer Gary DeWinter; Residents Kathryn Lich, Jeff Nelson, Dalton Rupiper, Brad Sigmund, Juliana VanLaanen, Michael VanLaanen and unidentified virtual attendees: M.D and Bugs Bunny

Motion made by Trustee A Lundt with a second made by Trustee J Sigmund to open the Tuesday, June 20, 2023 Committee of the Whole Meeting. **Motion carried**.

Motion made by Trustee A Lundt with a second made by Trustee J Sigmund to approve the Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes from Tuesday, June 6, 2023. **Motion carried**.

Wrightstown School District Initiative to Prepay Debt

Trustee Sue Byers contacted the other eight municipalities that are part of Wrightstown School District and asked if they would support an article she wrote, to be printed in the Wrightstown Spirit on Wednesday, June 21st, questioning the reasons behind the prepayment of debt by Wrightstown School District.

The following elected officials included their signatures for publication:

Bill Verbeten, Chairman, Town of Wrightstown Ron Diny, Supervisor, Town of Wrightstown Jesse Juedes, Supervisor, Town of Wrightstown Joe Coenen, Chairperson, Town of Buchanan Debra VanderHeiden, Clerk/Treasurer, Town of Kaukauna Matt Meeuwsen, Supervisor, Town of Rockland

Trustee Byers shared her appreciation of the support.

The title of the Wrightstown Spirit article is "A plea for a community meeting" which accurately reflects the desire for an informational session to be held, explaining the School Board's decisions.

Trustee Dan Segerstrom cautioned the Trustees to not direct Administrator Coenen to take any action on behalf of the Board as it may be an ethical violation to try to control School Board decisions, and to not point accusing fingers.

Trustee Andy Lundt believes all taxing entities should be working together to keep the tax burden manageable for property owners since their concern is their overall cost.

Trustee Sue Byers was heartened knowing that all district communities are coming together to address the tax increase issue.

Motion made by Trustee A Lundt with a second made by Trustee D Segerstrom to close the Committee of the Whole meeting at 6:22 p.m. **Motion carried.**

Michelle Seidl Clerk/Treasurer

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