Special Village Board
January 25, 2011

President Coutts called the meeting to order at 5:53 p.m. at East Side Community Center, 6156 Douglas Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin.

Board Present: Trustee Burton, Trustee Griswold, Trustee Weatherston, Trustee Bradley and President Coutts

Absent: Trustee Wanggaard and Trustee Wishau were excused

Others: Village Administrator Tom Lebak, Attorney John Bjelajac, Tom Ludwig and Michele Kalppa-Sullivan from Foth, Utility District Manager Bob Lui, Commissioners Ron Keland, Howard Stacy, Felix McCauley, Harry Garnette and Dave Ruffalo.

The Village Board will take up a motion to go into CLOSED SESSION, pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(g), WI Stats., to confer with legal counsel and to take possible action on a request by Blue River Preserve L.L.C., to modify a settlement agreement for the litigation in Racine County Circuit Court.

Trustee Burton moved, seconded by Trustee Bradley go into closed session pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(g), WI Stat., to confer with legal counsel and to take possible action on a request by Blue River Preserve L.L.C., to modify a settlement agreement for the litigation in Racine County Circuit Court. **Motion carried unanimously**.

Attorney Bjelajac explained the settlement agreement revisions request by Blue River Preserve L.L.C.

2. The Village Board reserves the right to RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION to take possible action on the items discussed during the CLOSED SESSION and take up remaining agenda item(s).

Trustee Weatherston moved, seconded by Trustee Burton to reconvene into open session. **Motion carried unanimously**.

Trustee Weatherston moved, seconded by Trustee to Burton to approve the modified Settlement Agreement request by Blue River Preserve L.L.C., as presented. **Motion carried unanimously**.

Attorney Bjelajac along with a few commissioners left. Developer Ray Lefler arrived.

3. Discussion and possible action regarding conducting a road improvement study in the Industrial Park and Nicholson and Dunkelow Roads to Hwy K

President Coutts stated that a business is interested in the Industrial Park but has some concerns about the access roads. They discussed past ideas of providing a better outlet to the Industrial Park and how there should be a better route to Hwy K. Trustee Weatherston asked about using We Energies funds. Ludwig explained that a study would be advisable to analyze the existing pavement structure, truck turning movements and determine the cost for off-site public improvements that would be necessary. Discussion continued regarding looking at improving Nicholson Road to Dunkelow to 4 Mile Road and 4 Mile Road to I-94. Leffler stated that he is looking into a railroad spur. Kalppa-Sullivan told the board that the study will be looking at how safely the trucks are maneuvering on those roads. Trustee Griswold stated that the intersection should be widened at those 3 intersections.

Trustee Bradley moved, seconded by Trustee Weatherston to approve Foth to conduct the Business Park Off-Site Improvement Analysis as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Trustee Bradley moved, seconded by Trustee Burton to adjourn the meeting. **Motion carried unanimously.** Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Karie Torkilsen, Village Clerk