

**Village Board Meeting  
May 3, 2011**

**1 - Order**

President Coutts called the Village Board Meeting to order at 7:03 p.m., at the East Side Community Center, 6156 Douglas Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin.

**2 – Pledge of Allegiance**

**3 - Roll Call**

Board: Trustee Burton, Trustee Griswold, Trustee Wanggaard, Trustee Weatherston, Trustee Dobbs and Trustee Wishau

Absent: none

Staff: Village Administrator Tom Lebak, Village Engineer Mike Hayek. Also present was Attorney Elaine Ekes and Racine County Planning and Zoning Director Julie Anderson

**4 – Approval of minutes**

Trustee Wanggaard moved, seconded by Trustee Wishau to approve the minutes of the following regular and/or special board, meeting(s), and hearing(s) as printed: April 19, 2011 and April 20, 2011 as printed. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**5 – Communications and Announcements**

- President Coutts informed the board that Gerry Griswold is now on the Public Works Committee instead Kathy Burton.
- On May 24<sup>th</sup> RCEDC 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Anniversary Celebration will be held at Racine Marriott from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- President Coutts received a thank you letter from Sr. Irene Hanika for attending St. Monica's Senior Citizens Home 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary and for the proclamation.
- Trustee Burton informed the board that she, along with some volunteers, is looking at coordinating a Law Enforcement Career Exploring program. This will be presented at the next village board meeting.

**6 – Citizens Reports/General comments from the audience**

Fran Martin referenced an article in the magazine that she gave to the board last meeting, specifically about the low ranking Racine Unified School District received. She felt that quality businesses would not come to an area that doesn't have a quality educational system and maybe Caledonia should look at reviewing its own school district again.

Further discussion took place about the group of Caledonia citizens that tried to promote a Caledonia school system but didn't get the support needed to move ahead. The petitions that were signed are still good, and the group is willing to meet, but support from the rest of the village residents is needed.

Dolores Rasmussen asked when the Christmas items are going to be removed from the cemetery. Lebak will talk to the Cemetery Sexton. She also asked if people could decorate the graves for Mother's Day and Memorial Day. The board did not have a problem with that.

There was a citizen that stated he felt he received a good education from Unified and thought there was a misconception out there about the district.

Jennifer Petrick was present to seek approval from the board to hold a fund raiser for the Daniel Wyatt Memorial Fund. It will be done at no cost to the village. All she would like is for people to spread the word. Attorney Ekes informed her that she would need to be upfront and let everyone know exactly what portion of the purchases are going to the Memorial and what portion of the purchases she is receiving.

## **7 - Committee Reports**

### **7A(1) – Approval of A/P checks**

Trustee Wishau moved, seconded by Trustee Wanggaard to approve the A/P checks April 15, 2011 thru April 29, 2011 as follows:

General Fund	check no's 57992-58073	in the amount of \$498,641.34
Parks Enterprise	check no's 5289- 5290	in the amount of \$1,159.06
Joint Health	check no's 9803-9816	in the amount of \$1,472.37
Joint Parks	check no's 7550-7554	in the amount of \$19,735.53

**Motion carried unanimously.**

### **7A(2) - Purchase of reconditioned EDGE voting machine**

Due to redistricting, the clerk will be looking into adding a polling place.

Trustee Wanggaard moved, seconded by Trustee Wishau to approve the purchase of a reconditioned Edge voting machine in the amount of \$2,250. **Motion carried unanimously.**

## **8 – Resolutions and Ordinances**

### **A. Resolution 2011-02 – Resolution Providing for the Sale of Approximately \$2,140,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes**

Trustee Wanggaard moved, seconded by Trustee Wishau to adopt Resolution 2011-02 - Resolution Providing for the Sale of Approximately \$2,140,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**B. Ordinance 2011-05 - 1<sup>st</sup> Reading - An Ordinance to Amend Sections 9-1-56(l), 9-4-5(a) and (b) and Create Section 9-4-5 (d) of the Code of Ordinances for the Village of Caledonia Pertaining to the Refund Procedure for Water Impact Fees, and Collection and Refund Procedures Related to Sewer Connection Charges**

The major change included refunding impact fees to the current owner of the property upon the lapse of a building permit, within the meaning of Section 15-1-7, provided that construction has not yet commenced under the permit. Other revisions were minor, such as changing Sewer Utility District No. 1 to Sewer Utility District.

No changes were made by the board.

**9 - Unfinished Business**

**10- New Business**

**A. Variance for an oversized garage/8808 Maple Drive**

The construction is proposed to be 30' by 34' and 1,020 square feet. Neighbors were notified and no objections were filed.

Trustee Weatherston moved, seconded by Trustee Burton to approve, with conditions, the variance for an oversized garage as stated in memo dated Monday, April 18, 2011 by Village Engineer. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**B. Settlement Agreement Amendment/Holding Tank to Mound System conversion/Kevin and Darlene Polinski/parcel #104-04-22-08-015-010/South of 7833 CTH "V"**

Back in 2000 there was a settlement agreement between the Village and the Polinskis to allow a holding tank to mound conversion permit conditionally. Since 2000 the Private Onsite Wastewater Treatment System's rules have changed and the site currently passes for a mound system. The 2006 Land Use Plan does not show this area as future public use. The Polinskis are seeking an amendment to the agreement so they can either build on the property or sell it. Trustee Griswold thought there was no reason to have the agreement at all anymore. Attorney Ekes explained that it could be amended to do away with any outstanding conditions, but the original agreement would need to be on file to keep the history of the lawsuit that took place before reaching the agreement.

Trustee Griswold moved, seconded by Trustee Wanggaard to approve Settlement Agreement Amendment/Holding Tank to Mound System conversion/Kevin and Darlene Polinski/parcel #104-04-22-08-015-010/South of 7833 CTH "V" and authorize the Village Attorney to amend the agreement to do away with any outstanding conditions. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**C. Approval of Engagement Letter for Legal Services Regarding the Proposed Issuance of \$2,140,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes**

This letter is to confirm the use of Quarles and Brady as bond counsel for the Village.

Trustee Wanggaard moved, seconded by Trustee Wishau to approve the Engagement Letter for Legal Services Regarding the Proposed Issuance of \$2,140,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**D. Discuss and consider whether to study amending the land use plan addressing future uses along Highway 31 Corridor, update on 794 extension and possible action to authorize staff to prepare a draft amendment and to schedule a meeting with the neighborhood**

Trustee Weatherston updated the board that Patricia Jursik, Milwaukee County Supervisor and Chair of the 794 Committee, came to the last Caledonia 794 extension committee meeting. One of the discussions at the 794 meeting was a concern with bottlenecks on Hwy 100. The village needs to be proactive and get a plan in place to address the additional traffic the extension will bring. This is what the committee is focusing on.

Attorney Ekes explained what the board needs to do if they decide it is feasible to do a study to amend the Land Use Plan along Hwy 31. She also explained the public hearing process. Julie Anderson explained that it is up to the board if they want to conduct a study. President Coutts explained that he has a concern with all the foreclosures and the cuts in revenue sharing. Trustee Wishau talked about seeking advice from someone who has some expertise on potential development growth and asking WISPARK if they would be willing to help fund the study. Lebak stated that he was told that the Executive Director of SEWRPC is a key player and may be someone qualified to speak on the topic. Further discussion continued regarding not spending money on a consultant, rather using the qualified people we have here, such as Julie Anderson from Racine County Planning and Zoning, etc. Trustee Wanggaard stated that the whole Land Use Plan should be reviewed at one time instead of just Hwy 31. He felt the board should be prepared for future rezoning requests. The board should be looking at critical areas now and in the future. He also felt Hwy 31 would be the most logical connection to 794. Trustee Dobbs felt some of the Land Use Plan needed to be reviewed and possibly changed, but wanted to keep the focus on the freeway. Trustee Burton said that she spoke to other communities as to how they deal with their Land Use Plan and was told by the City of Franklin that they use their plan as a tool to help with whatever the economic needs may be. Trustee Griswold felt that the hot spot is on the east side of Caledonia. He did not feel the whole Land Use Plan needed to be looked at nor should a planner be paid to review it. Trustee Weatherston felt it needed to be polished up.

Many residents were present speaking in opposition of rezoning Hwy 31. Some of the comments/concerns made were as follows:

- Various studies need to be done before changing the Land Use Plan
- People like the rural character
- Looking at long range planning instead of immediate reactions
- Some agreed to reviewing the Land Use Plan
- 794 expansion is not planned to happen for at least 15 years
- A good school system being the key to a successful community

Trustee Griswold moved, seconded by Trustee Wanggaard to look at reviewing the Land Use Plan for possible updating and amending along Hwy 31. Racine County Planning and Zoning Director Julie Anderson, Village Engineer Mike Hayek a few board members and the Plan Commission will be the review team.

Discussion was held regarding conducting this study with the neighborhoods involved. Trustee Wanggaard wanted to look further than Hwy 31.

Trustee Wanggaard withdrew his second. President Coutts asked for a second to the motion. Motion failed for lack of a second.

Trustee Wanggaard moved, seconded by Trustee Weatherston to bring the Land Use Plan amendment back to the Village Board addressing multiple areas of the Village.

President Coutts called for a roll call vote and the vote was recorded as follows:

Trustee Burton – no	Trustee Dobbs - yes
Trustee Griswold – no	Trustee Wishau – yes
Trustee Wanggaard – yes	President Coutts - yes
Trustee Weatherston - yes	

**Motion carried, 5/2.**

Trustee Griswold stated that if the whole plan is looked at nothing will get done. It should be started at the administrative level.

### **11 - Report from Village Administrator**

Nothing was reported.

### **12 – Adjournment**

Trustee Wanggaard moved, seconded by Trustee Weatherston to adjourn. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karie Torkilsen  
Village Clerk