

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING – JANUARY 22, 2024

The Village of Raymond held their regular monthly Village Board meeting on Monday, January 22 at 7:30 pm.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Roll call was taken as follows: Present were, President, Kari Morgan; Trustees, Doug Schwartz, Mike Thelen, Bill Wilson, and Keith Kastenson. Also present were, Village Clerk/Administrator, Barbara Hill; Village Treasurer, Jeni Schroepfer, Zoning Administrators, Orrin Sumwalt and Jeff Muenkel.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Village of Raymond Treasurer's Report December 1-31, 2023

Community State Bank - General Checking		
Beginning Balance		\$97,094.40
Deposits:	114,439.52	
Disbursements:	142,371.95	
ENDING BALANCE:		\$69,161.97

OTHER ACCOUNTS:

UNRESTRICTED

Community State Bank - Money Market	2,151,847.44	
State LGIP Fund - Tax Investment	1,216,062.92	
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED SAVINGS		3,367,910.36
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED FUNDS		3,437,072.33

RESTRICTED

Community State Bank - Bond Escrow	139,488.98
Community State Bank Storm Water Utility	23,007.48
Community State Bank Cemetery Fund	50,375.53
Community State Bank Perpetual Care Fund	9,896.59
State LGIP Funds - Bond Escrow	64,495.39
State LGIP Funds - Cemetery	39,608.40
State LGIP Funds - Equipment Reserve	121,793.12
State LGIP Funds - Land Reserve	26,011.11
State LGIP Funds - Raymond SWUD	146,877.43
State LGIP Funds - Fireworks Bonds	11,354.75

State LGIP Funds - Fire & Rescue Equip Reserve	350.10
State LGIP Funds - ARPA	4,581.59
TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS	637,840.47

ALL VILLAGE BANK ACCOUNTS \$ 4,074,912.80

APPROVED AS PRESENTED ON A SCHWARTZ/THELEN MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

BILLS PAID FROM: December 19, 2023 – January 21, 2024; Village = \$3,623,880.21;
Storm Water Utility District = \$0.

APPROVED ON A KASTENSON/WILSON MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING OF: December 19.

APPROVED ON A THELEN/SCHWARTZ MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

SET AGENDA - No changes

SHERIFF'S REPORT - Written report was provided, and Lt. Gehrand reported on additional patrols and citations on 7 Mile Rd.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Janelle Wise – Thanked board and residents for supporting Raymond School and spoke about the upcoming School Board recall election.
Lynn Chars – Land use plan updates and the need to protect the current residents.
Melanie DiCello – Potential negative effects on property values near a truck stop.
Pat Tuma – I94 corridor plan, and that development should be done carefully to benefit the Village and not to enrich businesses.
Jeff Squires – Targeting areas for business development.
Becky Eichner – Land use plan and requesting that the Board consider what is best for the community, with conditional uses around subdivisions to protect residents.
Doug White – Raymond Heights is 5% of residents and seems to want to make decisions for entire village. Also spoke about a recent incident requiring EMS response, and gave kudos to the F&R staff, and especially Kevan Leedle for the handling of the situation.
Brian Goode – Raymond Heights welcomes development, but for the good of the community.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT Provided year-end report, with 497 calls total, an increase from the prior year with fewer staff to handle the increased volume.

STORMWATER UPDATES Work starting soon for the Root River near 7 Mile Rd.

PLAN COMMISSION BUSINESS:

1. August Hoppe (Hoppe Tree Service, LLC), 195 27th Street, Caledonia, WI 53108: Consideration of a request for a Concept Plan to allow false front commercial architecture to raise the height of Building No. 1 to create space for a new wall sign, an artistic mural on the east side of Building No. 3, the addition of a driveway entrance on the north side of the property, and the rental of Building No. 3 for commercial indoor storage on property located at 195 27th Street (Property owner: Christensen Revocable

Trust). Tax Parcel No. 168-04-21-01-004-000.

Plan commission had an overall positive response to the concept plan. Board agreed that the concept plan seemed reasonable.

2. Plan Commission report on proposed amendments to the land use map and supporting land use map text for the Village of Raymond contained in the “Multi-Jurisdictional Comprehensive Plan for Racine County: 2035”. **Board to consider adoption of ordinance under Village Business;**

Plan Commission recommended holding off on approval and expanding the amendments to include the entire Village.

The Board discussed that the original scope of the project was for I94, but that there are certain areas that should also be developed, and that planning should be done now before the areas filled in with homes. These areas included a 76th Street corridor around Village Hall and Raymond School, and a Hwy 45 corridor.

Motion to direct Foth to provide a cost estimate and define the scope of a Comprehensive Plan Amendment to include a 76th St corridor and a Hwy 45 corridor on a KASTENSON/THELEN MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5/0.

3. Miscellaneous Zoning Administrator Updates

Orrin Sumwalt reported on a zoning complaint on Waukesha Road involving a soil disturbance and that a soil disturbance application was expected soon to address the issue.

VILLAGE BOARD BUSINESS:

1. Discussion/Decision on adopting Ordinance 2023-12-19: Amendments to the land use map and supporting land use map text for the Village of Raymond contained in the “Multi-Jurisdictional Comprehensive Plan for Racine County: 2035”; Held over from December meeting.

Motion to take off the table on a SCHWARTZ/THELEN MOTION. Motion carried 4/1.

The Board discussed three areas on the updated plan, including the SE corner of 8 Mile Rd and 43rd Street as possible Smaller Plate Business Park Opportunity uses, an area of about 40 acres of parcels south of Highway G and the Raymond Heights subdivision which should be Urban Residential instead of Business Park, and the approximately 18 acre parcel south of 7 Mile Rd just west of the environmental corridor which should be changed from Urban Residential to Business Park.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2023-12-19 with the three amendments discussed on a SCHWARTZ/WILSON MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 4/1.

2. Discussion/Decision regarding adopting Resolution 2024-1-22: Updating Fee Schedule for 2024;

Motion to approve Resolution 2024-1-22: Updating Fee Schedule for 2024 as drafted on a KASTENSON/SCHWARTZ MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5/0.

3. Discussion/Possible Action on fuel tank for DPW/Fire & Rescue Department;

The board discussed the need for a new fuel tank as requested by Todd Kastenson, and the four options he presented. The Board discussed where the tanks would be located and who would pay for them. The Board decided that a double wall 1,000 gallon tank made the most sense, in addition to the 500 gallon tank currently present, and that the

money to purchase it could come from the left over equipment funds from 2023.
Motion to purchase a 1,000 double wall fuel tank for the DPW and keep the 500 gallon tank for the Fire Dept on a SCHWARTZ/WILSON MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5/0.

4. Discussion/Decision regarding 2024 Paving Program Recommendations;

Not discussed.

5. Discussion/Decision regarding appointment of Stormwater Utility District Commissioners;

Applications had been requested to replace James Phillips, who stepped down. An application was received from Doug White for the vacant position. All other commissioners need to be re-appointed, also.

Motion to appoint Doug White to the Stormwater Utility District Commission on a KASTENSON/WILSON MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5/0.

Motion to re-appoint all other commissioners (Scott Brenton, Brent Kultgen, John Strueder and Doug Schwartz) on a KASTENSON/WILSON MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5/0.

6. Discussion/Decision regarding COM2 Electronics Recycling

The Board discussed that electronics recycling at no cost to the Village would be a benefit to the Village residents, with some discussion on where and how the drop-off area should be set up.

Motion to move forward working with COM2 for electronics recycling, with Barb Hill and Doug Schwartz to work with the representative on the details, and to have the contract reviewed before signing on a KASTENSON/SCHWARTZ MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5/0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bill Theys talked about the landfill cell and that the company was drilling 90 wells to reclaim gas. He also noted that the landfill was closed for a couple of days due to the weather, with the power being out and then digging out after the storm.

President Morgan made an announcement about the upcoming elections, that there would be no Village-wide primary on February 20th, but only for those in the Waterford High School district. There will be a Raymond school board recall election on February 27th, which may be a primary depending on the number of candidates, and that the Village would be reimbursed by the School District for the cost of administering the election.

President Morgan also stated that she had witnessed and heard about many instances of neighbor helping neighbor with the recent storm, and that Raymond is a friendly community and she hoped that everyone would remember that.

ADJOURN - MADE ON A THELEN/WILSON MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5-0. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

**Barbara J Hill
Village Clerk/Administrator
Village of Raymond**