

VILLAGE OF REDGRANITE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING – May 19, 2025

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Municipal Building on May 19, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm by Jim Erdmann. Roll Call: Jim Erdmann, Gary Rodencal, Tim Hagar and Matt Hagar. Motion by Gary, seconded by Matt to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM: Shawnie Schuldt, 175 Steger Street, I am here for property at 131 Dearborn Street. She stated that the accessories structures were assembled without permission and without primary residence structure being present, containers used as storage are not allowed in Village as per Ordinance, along with Waushara County prohibit containers trailers as storage in the county. Two containers with fabric roofs are also not allowed as they exceed 18 ft. None has been removed. There was an existing building on the property when he purchased property, but now another building was put up without approval or inspection. To keep the addition, you must provide plans and permits to be issued, not sure if he applied for permits to build building. I am requesting that he removes all containers, logs and debris brought onto the property without authorization. It is now May 19, 2025, nothing has been removed, the only thing is he is not sawing wood. So, from May 1-19 the minimum he could be fined is \$475.00 the maximum he could have been fined is \$19,000.00. We have woodchucks in our yard; they are eating part of my deck. With the Assessment going on I don't want to have to pay more on taxes, but also don't want my property value to drop due to property behind me. I have been in business since 1999 and 75% of my business is from out of towners, and they comment on the mess on that street. Want to know what the plan is, he was given a deadline, and nothing has been done except some wood that is being sold in front of one of his other buildings. What is the Board and John Lust going to do with the situation. Jim Erdmann stated that he spoke to John Lust and would like to make an appointment for the middle of next week with her and other neighbors regarding the situation. I apologize for taking so long, but must follow rules and go through certain processes to get this dealt with. Shawnie stated he is moving piles to the other side of the street. Jim Erdmann stated he noticed and feels people are pushing the limits.

Motion by Matt, second by Gary to approve the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on April 21, 2025. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT –Nothing to report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Jim Erdmann stated that Dylan Gray who has been on the Board for a couple of years has put in his resignation, if anyone would be interested in joining the Village Board please give Becky a call and we can sit down and talk and find someone to take the empty spot to help us do some great things in this Village

FINANCE, PERSONNEL, INSURANCE – Motion by Gary, second by Tim, to approve General Fund Disbursements– checks 115600 through 115682 (BankFirst) for a total of \$260,397.51. Water Fund Disbursements - checks 62006135 through 62006160 (BankFirst) for a total of \$15,444.08. Sewer Fund Disbursements – checks 63006973 through 63007000 (BankFirst) for a total of \$56,162.55; and payroll of \$58,535.44 creating a grand total of \$390,539.58 and approval of financial reports for General, Water and Sewer as printed. Motion carried. Motion by Matt, second by Mark to approve raising Amount for Bills from \$2,500.00 and plus needs full Board Approval, \$500.00 to \$2,499.99 with 1 Board Member signatures, and up to 499.99 just employee signatures. The Chief Tarr stated that this means department heads can approve up to \$500.00 without having Board Members' approval and anything over \$2,500.00 must have full Board Approval. Jim Erdmann stated that if it is already budgeted money he does not see where the problem is. Mark asked when the last time this amount was changed. Chief Tarr stated it has been this way since he has been here Motion carried. Motion by Matt, second by Mark on Approval of Dillon Gray's Board Resignation letter. Motion carried. Motion by Gary, second by Tim to Approve Matt Hagar to the Redgranite Library Board replacing Dillon Gray. Motion carried.

LIBRARY - Update was given by Jeannie McBeth. Getting ready for summer programming. Funding from Waushara County Library Services Committee is a 2% increase like last year, the contract goes until 2026 so we will renegotiate the contract. Our reading programs are starting through Winne fox. We have been doing home deliveries to residents due to the parking lot, and have been cataloging and doing many donations for our book sales. Mark asked why there was a 28% increase for Westfield. Jeannie stated that the drill down will take some real discussion, whenever there is construction or the circulation goes down, they negotiate an increase. That was the way the contract was written. Parking lot is going to look great when it is done, we have many new vendors, along with having programs on those days the vendors are here. Mark asked if there was

a sink hole in the library parking lot. Jeannie stated that there was one and worried about a child falling in hole.

MACHINERY, GARBAGE, ORDINANCES – Update was given by Jim Fredrick. The mower we ordered in December finally came in; the skid steer has over 60 hours use on it.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING –No Update

PARKS, CEMETERY – Monthly update was given by Jim Fredrick. We have been working on the Pickleball court, coating is done, lines painted now for remaining part of fence to be put up. Tom Sobeski donated 20 loads of topsoil, so it needs to be spread along with grass seed. Getting signs made from the county saying no skating, roller blading or skateboarding on the court. Willow park shelter house is sinking, feels like all we do is clean up other people's messes. Like the Library Parking Lot there was a tree stump left in before they paved it, ends up taking more time and extra money to get it fixed right. Gary stated he appreciates Jim's effort on doing the job right. Discuss/ Consider/ Act on Bathrooms at Veteran's Park Shelter Repairs. Jim stated that Austin has been working hard, he gutted them repainted and put in new toilets and lighting. New dividers are being put in, and will be open for Memorial Weekend. Consider/ Act on Approval of estimates for Veteran's Shelter repairs. Jim Fredrick stated that he has 2 estimates looking for a third. The first estimate is \$15,000.00, he would tear all sidewalks out in front dig underneath push up the floor and put concrete underneath, second one is from Sure Dry for \$27,000.00, they will not tear out sidewalks but e drill holes and put pylons down and they pour stuff down to push concrete back up. Wants one more estimate, and will have one at the next Board Meeting. Tim stated that he wants Jim Fredrick to get an estimate for a new building to compare with other estimates. Jim Fredrick stated that the building is all metal framing and is on pylons. The building is in good shape, just the concrete underneath no base was put down. Tabled till next Board meeting. Motion by Gary, seconded by Mark to approve Appreciation catered lunch at Willow Creek Park on June 1, 2025, for Employees, Board members and everyone who donated for the Pickleball Court. Jim Fredrick stated that we would order food from Moose Inn, and would like a head count from Board members who plan on attending so we order enough food. Figure starts at 10am so people have a chance to check it out and play, eat around noon and be done around 2pm. Starting June 2, 2025, will be open to the public. Motion carried. Motion by Tim, seconded by Gary to extend hours at Veterans park on Saturday, June 7, 2025, till 10pm for Movie Night. Motion carried. Motion by Gary, seconded by Matt to Purchase a Rototiller for Parks. Jim Fredrick stated that he needs one to get all the parks lawns fixed up and looking good. And once we have all the parks fixed up, we can sell it. Tim asked if he was going to go with a 6'. Jim Fredrick stated that he would like a 7'. Mark asked about renting one. Jim Fredrick stated they are only 4' to 5'. Jim Erdmann stated that rental fees could cost just much as buying one. Jim Fredrick stated that along with all the drive time with having to pick up and drop off rototiller, and when we are done with parks, we can sell it. Motion carried. Motion by Tim, second by Matt for sign placement for AmVets Memorial Day Chicken BBQ. Motion carried.

POLICE, FIRE – Update given by Tim Hagar. Tanker and 401 were out on calls and both seem to be working well. We have had enormous amount of rescue calls for the Village. Motion by Mark, second by Gary to Approve of closing a portion of the parking lot to West of the Fire Station and Dearborn St., East from Driveway to the Village Hall to Southeast Corner of the Fire Station from 6:00am to approximately 6:00pm on Monday, June 2, 2025, for the Annual Hose testing. Motion carried. Monthly update given by Chief Tarr. I submitted our reimbursement request for training. Our training is completed for the year, and we will be getting \$320.00 per officer. Patrol getting ready for the quarry season, planning on getting security camera set up at Quarry in the next couple of weeks. East side port-a-potty tipped over, need to be picked up. Waiting for CR Bill to pass so it will open grants, we will be looking at grants for a new squad, radios, equipment and adding on to the police department. Looking to find an architect to draw some plans. We have a meeting with the prison on the 29th, and we had a meeting last month with prison on Disturbance Control. Met many people from the DOC that work here at prison but also from the Central Office in Madison. We worked with our local partners EMS, Sheriff Department, State Patrol, Army National Guard and hospitals, we do this Annually to make sure we keep up who oversees what department. Officer Zuehlke is working till 10pm on weekends. Have a speed trailer set up on the East side of town, the Sheriff's Department wants to borrow our speed trailer for Lohrville for speed study on First Ave. Caitlyn is doing a great job. She has us just about caught up, she will have to do some training for the upcoming changes of the parameters set by FBI for reporting crimes. Motion by Matt, seconded by Tim for Approval of Alarm System and Issuance of Employee ID Cards. Chief Tarr stated the alarm system is set up with the Sherriff's Department, but it is not live yet. We will be having a meeting with Jeremiah for protocols if an employee accidentally trips the alarm. If protocols are not met it will get sent to the Sheriff's office and they will respond, the first-time alarms are set off is free, but after that we

will get charged for false alarms. Checking into getting Village Employees IDs in case an employee trips the alarm and Sheriff Department comes in so the Employee can verify they work for the Village. Motion carried.

SEWER, WATER – Steaven gave a monthly update. He stated that most of the meters changed out for the year, have a few yet to do waiting for residents to let us get in and change them. Motion by Mark, second by Tim on Approval of Inv 86557 from Speedy Clean in the amount of \$1575.00 for televising the Village Sewer system. Motion carried.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS, DITCHES - Update was given by Jim Fredrick Library parking lot had a sink hole that needs to be fixed, we are going to fill it with limestone. There was a bunch of stuff buried under parking lot that we had to take out we put about a foot of $\frac{3}{4}$ limestone crusher run and with proper maintenance that parking lot should last 30 years. The binder is down, and they will come on Wednesday to do topcoat depending on weather conditions. Then all we need to do is paint lines and handicap zones and let it sit for three days to cure. Motion by Mark second by Matt to Act on Parking Issues on Pine River Street. Jim Fredrick stated that there should only be parking on one side of the street, I know people park on the road instead of their driveway, that might help alleviate some of the traffic issues. I want to measure and see if one side is wider than the other and if so, that is the side we will park on. Jim Erdmann asked if we needed to wait or just decide and then figure out which side will be parked on. Motion carried. Motion by Mark, seconded by Matt on Approval of Inv# 031339 from Family Equipment Sales LLC in the amount of \$3,200.00 for gravel for road repair at Mobile Home Park. Jim Fredrick stated that the road in the mobile home park is terrible. We are trying to get it ready for pulverizing. There is still \$30,000.00 left in our Street Outlay, and \$16,000.00 will come out of that for Cottonville Road for gravel. Motion Carried. The question asked was about parking on Pine River Street, by park and laundromat will not be affected.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

1) Motion by Tim, seconded by Matt to Approve of Hunting Committee's recommendation for Kevin Schmidt. Motion carried.

2) Motion by Tim, seconded by Gary to Approve of Temporary Class B Retailers License for Amvets Post 13 effective May 26, 2025 at Veteran's Park from 7:00am to 9:00pm. Motion carried.

3) Motion by Gary, second by Matt to Approve a Provisional Operator's License effective May 20,2025 thru June 30,2025 for Natasha Hintz (The Barracks). Motion carried.

4) Motion by Tim, seconded by Mark to Approve of a Provisional Operator's License effective May 20,2025 thru June 30,2025 for Jordan Truesdale (Kwik Trip Inc). Motion Carried.

5) Consider/Act on Approval of a Provisional Operator's License effective May 20,2025 thru June 30,2025 for Melissa Zimmerman (The Barracks). Denied but can Reapply.

Items to be placed on May 19, 2025, Regular Board Meeting:

1) Estimates on Shelter Repairs

Motion by Matt, seconded by Gary to Adjourn meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:22pm by Jim Erdmann.

Respectfully submitted,
Christa Erdmann
Village Deputy Clerk

