

**Minutes  
Village Board Meeting  
Tuesday, January 14, 2014  
Immediately following the conclusion of the caucus (7:15pm)  
Maple Bluff Village Center**

Members Present: Trustees Peter Duff, Dave Bruns, Martha Grasty, and Tim O'Brien. There is currently one vacant position.

Members Absent: Village President Eric McLeod and Trustee Jim Schuler

Also Present: Police Chief/Village Administrator Tim Krueger, Police Sargent Anne Murphy, Public Works Director Tom Schroeder, Fire Chief Josh Ripp, Recreation Director/Deputy Treasurer Curt Erickson and Clerk/Treasurer Sarah Danz.

**Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made by Martha Grasty and seconded by Dave Bruns to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

**Citizen comment on any subject other than items listed on agenda:**  
None

**Discuss and take action on final approval of Austin Darien's Eagle Scout Project:** The board had additional questions and the Darien's were not in attendance to answer them. The board requested that the Darien's be in attendance at the next meeting in order to obtain final approval. A motion was made by Peter Duff and seconded by Martha Grasty to table the agenda item until the February meeting. Motion carried.

**Discuss and take action on granting authorization for the Village of Maple Bluff to serve beer at Winterfest January 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014:** A motion was made by Peter Duff and seconded by Martha Grasty to grant authorization to the Village of Maple Bluff to serve beer at Winterfest January 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Motion carried.

**Discuss and take action on WPPA union contract settlement:** The board reviewed the suggested changes to the police union contract. A motion was made by Dave Bruns and seconded by Martha Grasty to approve the changes to the WPPA union contract as presented. Motion carried.

**Discuss and take action on revised sewer rates:** The village received notice regarding estimated 2014 sewer service charges from the Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District. Baker Tilly then used the information to revise the amounts the village charges to customers. The new rates will go into effect January 1, 2014 if approved. A motion was made by Dave Bruns and seconded by Martha Grasty to approve the revised sewer rates as presented by Baker Tilly. Motion carried.

**Discuss and take action on appointment of Jen Montgomery to Maple Bluff Country Club committee:** Committee chair Dave Bruns would like Jen Montgomery appointed to the Maple Bluff Country Club Committee. Dave spoke with Jen and she is willing and interested in joining the committee. A motion was made by Peter Duff and seconded by Martha Grasty to approve the appointment of Jen Montgomery to the Maple Bluff Country Club Committee. Motion carried.

**Discuss and take action on issuing a new Class “B” Beer and “Class C” Wine license to Manna Café Inc.:** A motion was made by Peter Duff and seconded by Martha Grasty to approve the Class “B” beer and “Class C” wine license for Manna Café Inc. Motion carried.

**Committee Reports:**

- a. Building Board Committee: Did not meet
- b. Country Club Committee: Did not meet
- c. Finance and Accounts Committee: Did not meet
- d. Fire & EMS Committee: Did not meet
- e. Ordinance Committee: Did not meet

**1. Discuss reasonableness concerning residential snow**

**removal:** The purpose for discussion was to find out if the board would like the ordinance committee to pursue the idea of an ordinance regarding the reasonableness concerning residential snow removal. Discussion included what other communities are doing, if this is just a neighbor issue and how it relates to the noise ordinance. The board recommended the ordinance committee hold a meeting to discuss the issue.

- f. Parks, Recreation and Board of Harbor Commissioners: Met 12/3/13
- g. Personnel Committee: Met for WPPA negotiations
- h. Plan Commission: Did not meet
- i. Police Committee: Did not meet
- j. Public Works Committee:

**1. Discuss and take action on recommendation from Public**

**Works Committee to include undergrounding with the 2014 street project:** Tim presented the board with the estimates he has received from AT&T, MG&E and Charter to complete the undergrounding. The public works committee is recommending to the board to move forward with including the undergrounding in the 2014 street project. Undergrounding was listed as a number one priority by the residents in the 2002 comprehensive plan. A motion was made by Martha Grasty and seconded by Dave Bruns to include the undergrounding with the 2014 street project. Motion carried.

- k. Urban Forestry Committee: Met 1/14/14 to discuss Arbor/Bird City

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- l. Zoning Board of Appeals: Did not meet

**Reports:**

- a. Village President: No report.

- b. Village Attorney: No report.
- c. Clerk-Treasurer: Sarah Danz reviewed the November 2013 Financials
- d. Public Works: Tom Schroeder reviewed his written report.
- e. Recreation: Curt Erickson reviewed his written report.
- f. Fire Department: Chief Ripp reviewed his written report.
- g. Police Department: Chief Tim Krueger reviewed his report.

**Claims List Approval:** A motion was made by Dave Bruns and seconded by Martha Grasty to approve the claims list as presented. Motion carried.

**Discuss and take action on the Village Board Minutes dated November 12, 2013:** A motion was made by Dave Bruns and seconded by Peter Duff to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Greg Rice announced that he has sold his house and therefore will be resigning his position on the village board. Board members and staff thanked Greg for his dedication and years of service to the Village of Maple Bluff.

A motion to adjourn was made by Peter Duff and seconded by Martha Grasty at 8:03pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sarah R Danz  
Clerk/Treasurer