

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES
VILLAGE OF TREMPEALEAU COMMUNITY CENTER
JUNE 23, 2015**

1. Roll Call and Call to Order: President Wood called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Present: Kurt Wood, Kevin Sacia, Cindy Wegner, Kit Locke, Tom Scherr, Lois Taylor (6:35 PM). Others present: Travis Cooke, Village Administrator; Police Chief Rick Niedfeldt, Danielle Benden and Ernie Boszhardt.
2. Announcements
 - A. The Committee will recess the meeting from the Village Hall Board Room after the 2015 pool and capital improvements planning item in order to tour the Little Bluff archaeology site with Danielle Benden and Ernie Boszhardt. The Committee will adjourn from the Little Bluff site.
3. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Consideration of the May 19, 2015 Committee Minutes: Motion by Locke to approve the May 19, 2015 Committee Minutes. Seconded by Scherr. MC 6-0.
4. Review Vouchers: Reviewed.
5. Meeting Times and Dates: Reviewed.
6. 2015 Pool and Capital Projects Planning: The Committee reviewed capital improvement plans for 2015 and reviewed the planned pool project bids. The rebid for the pool came in at approximately \$804,618.00. SEH prepared a letter to ask the state for more matching funds. The Committee reviewed the request but came to the consensus that the Village matching funds needed to complete the project was beyond what the Village could afford for the pool. The Committee discussed re-opening the pool and it was reported that major repairs were still needed to get the pool operational and that those repairs would cost several thousand dollars and it would be the same pool as before. Travis noted that the pool costs on average \$1,000 a day to operate. Demographic shifts were discussed noting that many pools are seeing decreased attendance as more children are in increasing varieties of summer activities. Travis reported that very few passes for Village residents to attend other pools had been reimbursed to date. The Committee discussed building a new pool in the future in the new park. Travis noted that a project of that magnitude would easily reach over \$2,000,000.00 and that the only way he could see it work would be if the towns and the Village formed an entity similar to the Trempealeau-Caledonia Fire Department and that entity would borrow funds, construct, and operate such a facility. The Committee came to the consensus to look at other opportunities in the Village like safe sidewalks, developing the new park off Schubert Rd with a few shelter houses and a dog park, outdoor exercise equipment and the potential of putting a skate park in where the pool is now. The Committee also discussed formulating a community survey to see what the residents of the Village want to see as far as park and recreation amenities in the community.
7. Site Visit to Little Bluff: Danielle Benden and Ernie Boszhardt gave a presentation on the Mississippian interpretive trail project for Little Bluff. Interpretive signage and was presented as well. The Committee came to the consensus to continue with the project. The Committee left the

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Board Room for a tour of little bluff at approximately 7:30 PM. No Village business was discussed on the tour beyond the trail project and a tour of the site.

8. Adjournment from Little Bluff: Motion by Wood to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 PM from Little Bluff. Seconded by Wegner. MC 7-0.