

VILLAGE OF EPHRAIM

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VILLAGE OF EPHRAIM BOARD MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2017 – 6:00 (CLOSED) 7:00 P.M

Present: Mike McCutcheon- President, Jim Stollenwerk, Paul Roppuld, T. Nelson

Absent: Cindy Nelson,

Staff: Brent Bristol – Administrator

Guests: Jim & Marianne Peterman

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by President McCutcheon at 7:00 P.M.
2. **Quorum:** A quorum is present for this meeting
3. **The Village Board may entertain motion and convene into closed session per §19.85(1) (c)** Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. *For the purpose of discussing performance evaluations and compensation relating to 2018 benefit package.*

Motion per Roppuld to move to closed session per §19.85(1) (c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. For the purpose of discussing performance evaluations and compensation relating to 2018 benefit package, seconded by Stollenwerk, poll of Board Stollenwerk aye, Roppuld aye, McCutcheon aye, and motion carried.

4. **Please take notice pursuant to §19.85(2) Wis. Stats, the Village Board may entertain motion and reconvene in open session and may address the matters considered in closed session and all other matters on the agenda.**
(The Village Board believes it will reconvene in open session at approximately 7:00)

Motion per Roppuld to reconvene in open session, seconded by Stollenwerk, poll of Board, T. Nelson aye, Stollenwerk aye, Roppuld aye, and McCutcheon aye motion carried

Motion per Roppuld to proceed as discussed, seconded by Stollenwerk, motion carried.

5. **Changes in Agenda:** None

6. **Visitors' Comments:** None

7. **Administration**

- a. **Discussion and consideration regarding 2018 Village Budget:** Bristol introduced this item, this is a continuation of the discussion of October 23, 2017. Bristol noted that the Auditing fees will be reduced by \$4,000 to \$11,000 annually. The pay back to room tax for the burial of utility at the Cherry Street steps, the overall increase in Insurance premiums, and the operating expense increase in health insurance is due to replacing an employee with a single plan to a family plan composed part of the operating costs. Mill rate will change from 2.86 to 2.92 for 2018 as proposed.

Motion per T. Nelson to accept the proposed budget as presented, seconded by Roppuld, motion carried.

b. Discussion and consideration regarding setting 2018 Budget Public Hearing for 11/14/2017:

Motion per T. Nelson to set this budget for Public Hearing on November 14, 2017, seconded by Roppuld, motion carried.

8. Visitors' Comments: Peterman inquired about the fund balance, Bristol replied that the balance is 1.4 Million dollars and Bristol explained what it is comprised of.
9. New Business for Next Meeting
10. Adjournment

Motion per T. Nelson to adjourn this meeting of the Village of Ephraim Board of Trustees, seconded by Roppuld, motion carried.

Transcribed by,
Susan Shallow- Deputy Clerk