

**Village of Rockdale  
Board Meeting Minutes  
December 21, 2020**

1. **Call Meeting to Order.** Village Board President Nelles called the regular meeting of the Rockdale Village Board to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Robert M. Smithback Community Center.
2. **Attendance Roll Call.**  
Village Board Members Present: Julie Nelles, Cynthia Meyers, Jeri Boden, Alicia Hynes and Sarah Halvorson  
Village Board Members Absent: None  
Others Present: Elizabeth Foellmi (General Engineering), Terri Van Den Einde and Linda Dieckhoff
3. **Announce Meeting/Reminder for Attendees to Sign In.** President Nelles announced the meeting.
4. **Acknowledgement of Meeting Notice/Posting.** Clerk-Treasurer Dieckhoff confirmed the meeting had been properly posted.
5. **President's Welcome/Announcements.**  
President Nelles welcomed all visitors.
  - a. Property Tax Bills – First Installment due by January 31, 2021
  - b. Spring Election – April 6, 2021
  - c. Dog Licenses for 2020 expire December 31, 2020
  - d. December 25, 2020 Deadline for incumbents to File Nomination of Noncandidacy
  - e. Cambridge Foundation Grant due December 31, 2020
6. **Preview of Agenda.** No changes.
7. **Public Comment – Two Minute Limit Per Person.** None
8. **Discussion and possible approval of Village Board draft minutes of November 16, 2020, December 15, 2020 and December 18, 2020.**

**Motion** by Hynes, second by Halvorson, to approve the draft minutes of the November 16, 2020 meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

**Motion** by Boden, second by Hynes, to approve the draft minutes of the December 15, 2020 meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

**Motion** by Halvorson, second by Nelles, to approve the draft minutes of the December 18, 2020 meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

9. **Old Business.**

a. **Discussion and possible action regarding Community Center door repairs.**

An estimate was received in the amount of \$3,445. The Village Board is requesting that we receive a formal quote on company letterhead. Final action to be taken at January 2021 meeting.

b. **Discussion and possible approval regarding Cambridge Foundation Grant.**

**Motion** by Nelles, second by Meyers, to submit a request to the Cambridge Foundation for a Grant to replace the Community Center door repairs. Motion carried 5-0.

10. **New Business.**

a. **Discussion and possible action regarding Benton Street reconstruction project.**

**Motion** by Nelles, second by Boden, to hire General Engineering for the Benton Street reconstruction project in the amount of \$12,500. Motion carried 5-0.

b. **Discussion and possible action regarding snow removal problem on Merchant Street.**

Clerk- Treasurer Dieckhoff is to contact Tom of T&T Stone to see if there are any issues in clearing the street and let him be aware that there are sick residents on that street that may require medical attention. This street needs to be salt and sanded regularly.

Clerk-Treasurer will also contact Riccio's that we are contacting our contractor of problem.

c. **Discussion and possible action on setting date and time for January 2021 Caucus.**

**Motion** by Hynes, second by Boden, to set January 18, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. for the January 2021 Caucus with the regular Village Board Meeting immediately following. Motion carried 5-0.

d. **Discussion and possible action regarding insurance coverage for 2021.**

Village Board reviewed current coverage with current carrier.

**Motion** by Halvorson, second by Hynes, to renew insurance coverage with Baer Insurance. Motion carried 5-0.

e. **Discussion and possible action regarding Village Clerk-Treasurer and Deputy Village Clerk-Treasurer compensation.**

**Motion** by Nelles, second by Boden, to compensate the Clerk-Treasurer at the rate of \$22 per hour. Motion carried 5-0.

**Motion** by Halvorson, second by Meyers, to compensate the Deputy Clerk-Treasurer at the rate of \$15 per hour. Motion carried 5-0.

- f. **Discussion and possible action regarding posting of Clerk-Treasurer position.**  
**Motion** by Hynes, second by Boden, to post notices on the League of Municipalities, Wisconsin Municipal Clerks Assoc. and Municipal Treasurers Assoc. websites. Motion carried 5-0.
11. **Public Comment – Two Minute Limit Per Person.** None
12. **Correspondence.**
  - a. **General Engineering – November 2020 Report** – Place on file
  - b. **Tech Solutions – Torey Smith** – Place on file
  - c. **Solcius LLC correspondence regarding solar panel permits** – Place on file and bring up to Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals for discussion.
  - d. **2020 Dane County Bridge Inspection and Re-Inspection Report** – Place on file
13. **Discussion and possible approval of Treasurer’s Report/Approval of Bills.**  
**Motion** by Nelles, second by Boden, to approve checks #6759 - #6778 and EFT in the amount of \$11,646.68. Motion carried 5-0.  
Treasurer’s Report not available. Approve next month.
14. **Discussion and possible approval of General Village Bank Reconciliations.**  
Reports not available. Approve next month.
15. **Discussion and possible approval of Sewer Clerk Report/Approval of Bills.**  
**Motion** by Nelles, second by Meyers, to approve checks #6006 - #6014 in the amount of \$8,038.45. Motion carried 5-0.
16. **Discussion and possible approval of Sewer Bank Reconciliations.**  
**Motion** by Hynes, second by Halvorson, to approve the Sewer Bank Reconciliations for November 2020. Motion carried 5-0.
17. **Any Other Business.**  
Brandon Ferrier requested info regarding Village policies to parking for hunting in the Extensive Wildlife Habitat area which is behind the treatment plant. It was the consensus of the Board that parking should take place on the Highway.  
  
Nelles reported that there will be a Fire Commission meeting tomorrow, December 22, 2020, at 6:30 p.m.
18. **Adjournment.** **Motion** by Boden, second by Halvorson, to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Linda L. Dieckhoff  
Clerk-Treasurer