

**VILLAGE OF SUSSEX
SUSSEX, WISCONSIN**

**Minutes of the Village Board Meeting of
January 12, 2021**

1. Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by President LeDonne at 6:01 pm.

Members present: Greg Zoellick, Lee Uecker, President Anthony LeDonne, Ron Wells, Michael Bartzen, Scott Adkins and Wendy Stallings.

Members excused: None.

Also present: Administrator Jeremy Smith, Attorney John Macy, Assistant Village Administrator Kelsey McElroy-Anderson, Administrative Services Director Samuel Liebert, and members of the Public.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

President LeDonne led the pledge of allegiance.

3. Meeting Minutes

A motion by Uecker, seconded by Stallings to approve the December 8, 2020 Village Board meeting minutes.

Motion carried 7-0

4. Communications and Public Hearings

A. Village President Report

President LeDonne reported that on Wednesday, January 15, the Library Board will meet at 6:30 pm. Saturday, January 18, the sledding party will take place from 1-3pm and the snow date will be February 15. Sunday, January 19, is the Sussex Winter Market at the Civic Center from 9:30am-1pm. Tuesday, January 21, the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee will meet at 4:00pm. Plan Commission will meet at 6:30pm and Park & Recreation Board will be at 7:00pm, all meetings will be in the board room.

5. Committee Reports

A. Finance and Personnel Committee

A.1. Motion made by Bartzen, seconded by Uecker to approve the December Check Register and P-Card statement in the amount of \$1,965,856.60.

Motion carried 7-0

A.2. Motion made by Bartzen, seconded by Zoellick to approve of the December Ace Hardware purchases in the amount of \$1,185.60.

Motion carried 6-0
LeDonne Abstained.

A.3. Motion made by Bartzen, seconded by Zoellick to approve of Ordinance 871 to move Citizen Committee appointments terms.

Motion carried 7-0

A.4. Motion made by Bartzen, seconded by Stallings to approve of Resolution 21-01 Designating Public Depositories and Approving Other Financial Institutions for Investment.

Motion carried 7-0

A.5. Motion made by Bartzen, seconded by Stallings to approve of the Red Flag Rules – 2020 Annual Report.

Motion carried 7-0

B. Public Works Committee

B.1. Motion made by Adkins, seconded by Bartzen to approve the public works bills for payment in the amount of \$75,075.01.

Motion carried 7-0

B.2. Motion made by Adkins, seconded by Uecker to conditionally approve of Resolution 21-02 accepting the improvements for Sussex Commons.

Motion carried 7-0

6. Staff Reports

Mrs. McElroy-Anderson stated that the village website has been updated to show committee vacancies and descriptions of all committees.

Mr. Smith stated that other communities have reached out to us about our ice-skating rink and asking how we maintain it so well. The Village of Vernon recently signed on with the Waukesha Sheriff's Office for their police services, and the county said it was based on the positive reports they received from Sussex.

Mr. Macy stated the legislature is back in session. The state assembly passed a covid relief bill and that the senate has started to draft a new bill that would be more acceptable for the Governor to sign.

Mr. Liebert stated that all candidates for local office have filed their paperwork. There will be a primary in February for State Superintendent. There are seven candidates. There will be a few palpable errors coming forward at a future Village Board meeting that will need to be addressed.

7. Comments from Citizens Present

No one was present who wished to be heard.

8. Old Business

8A. Motion made by LeDonne, seconded by Zoellick to approve of Resolution 21-03 updating portions of the Bond Schedule for various violations.

Motion carried 7-0

9. New Business

There was no new business to discuss.

10. Consideration on resignation and appointments

10.A. Motion by LeDonne, seconded by Zoellick to appoint Trustee Greg Zoellick to the Plan Commission.

A roll call vote was taken:

Adkins – Nay
Uecker – Nay
Stallings – Nay
Zoellick – Aye
Wells – Aye
Bartzen- Nay
LeDonne – Aye

The motion failed 3-4, due to a super majority of 2/3 of the board not in agreement. Per Village Ordinance, Village Board members appointed to the Plan Commission require a 2/3 vote for approval.

11.

President LeDonne read the notice to convene into executive session under Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(g) when conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved with respect to the Town of Lisbon Sussex Agreement and a lawsuit by Jason Wegner about said Agreement.

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Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 7 Nay: 0. The motion CARRIED. 7-0.

The board entered into executive session at 6:19 pm.

The board returned to Open Session at 6:46 pm.

12. Adjournment

A motion by LeDonne, seconded by Bartzen to Adjourn at 6:47 pm.

Motion carried 7-0

Respectfully submitted,

Samuel Liebert
Administrative Services Director, Clerk/Treasurer