



May 8, 2018

Special Board Meeting

The Full Board met on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 @ 6:00 p.m. at 316 S. Brad Street, Grantsburg, Wisconsin. The Special Board Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Village President, Larry Ebersold.

Roll Call

Present: Village President, Larry Ebersold
Village Trustee, Diane Barton
Village Trustee, Gary "Goob" Coy
Village Trustee, Michael Longhenry
Village Trustee, Caylin Muehlberg
Village Trustee, Greg Peer
Village Trustee, Russell Stone

Absent: None

Others: Village Clerk, Patty Bjorklund
Village Treasurer, Sheila Meyer
Public Works Director, Chris Bartlett

Public Works Director, Bartlett discussed the lease agreements with Rush City and the Village of Siren with Starwire Technologies. He noted that the Village of Siren's lease is better in his opinion as it has more control in what the village can do. He had highlighted the areas of the proposed lease by Starwire Technologies that was presented to the Village of Grantsburg that he would like special attention paid by the village before considering.

Village Trustee, Peer noted that a concerned citizen had come to him regarding the lease with Starwire Technologies and the Village of Grantsburg. Village President, Ebersold had also had concerns addressed to him by that citizen. One area of concern was that there is not a license fee paid or a license obtained for a Federal Communications Commission License by Starwire Technologies. That fact is concerning as it upsets other signals of internet companies who are licensed. Also, Village Trustee, Peer stated that precedence has already been set for the village obtaining previous payments of \$1,800 per month for another provider using the water tower for service. Village Trustee, Peer contacted Sid Sherstad, owner of SirenTel. He noted that he has had issues with other companies and their frequencies. Another concern Village Trustee, Peer noted is the relationship the village has with Grantsburg Telcom and what they do for the village. Will their extra effort be recognized? Village Trustee, Peer and the board looked at the Starwire Technologies website. The rate varies between \$40 - \$60 for speeds up to 35 mps. Public Works Director, Bartlett stated that current users of the water tower are the Grantsburg Fire Department and the Burnett Medical Center Hospital.

The full board will listen to what Starwire Technologies proposes at the May 14, 2018 Regular Board Meeting as they are on the agenda to discuss the potential lease for placement of their internet on the South Water Tower.

Village Trustee, Longhenry moved, seconded by Village Trustee, Coy to adjourn the Special Board Meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Ayes: Ebersold, Barton, Coy, Longhenry, Muehlberg, Peer, Stone



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Nays: NONE
Motion to approve: Carried

Submitted by:

Patty Bjorklund – WCMC, CMC, CMTW
Village Clerk, Deputy-Treasurer
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