



November 5, 2018

## Special Board Meeting

The Village Board met on Monday, November 5, 2018 @ 4:30 p.m. at 316 S. Brad Street, Grantsburg, Wisconsin.

The Special Board Meeting was called to order at 4:30 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 (Left at 6:30 p.m.)  
Village Trustee, Greg Peer  
Village Trustee, Russell Stone

Absent: Village Trustee, Gary "Goob" Coy

Others: Village Clerk, Patty Bjorklund  
Village Treasurer, Sheila Meyer  
Jerry Den Boer, President & Owner of Benefit Advisors  
Police Chief, Jeff Schinzing  
Police Officer, Dan Wald  
Public Works Director, Chris Bartlett  
Library Director, Kristina Kelly-Johnson

Jerry Den Boer presented the Western Wisconsin Municipal Consortium of WEA Trust Plan to everyone present. The medical consortium offers a statewide network which includes all system-based hospitals and their affiliated clinics. If the employee chooses to travel or doctor outside the state of Wisconsin, they have access to the PHCS nationwide map. He noted that 90% of providers are in the network under the PHCS Network. There were 4 option plans detailed for review. Auxiliary Benefits are also offered for additional coverage (e.g. Dental, Vision, Life and Accidental Death & Dismemberment, Short Term Disability, Long Term Disability, Accident, Critical Illness including Cancer, Identity Shield/Theft). There are No-Cost Benefits Offered such as (Vitality Wellness Program, Amwel Telehealth & Behavioral Health, Livongo, WEA Trust Back Pain). The Consortium started January 1, 2016. The renewal date is every year on January 1<sup>st</sup> with open enrollment during the month of November. All new municipalities who were not previously underwritten by the WEA are subject to completing health applications. The Underwriting approval is on behalf of the consortium by the WEA. Jerry noted that the Consortium currently insures a total of 36 municipalities with over 1,000 lives. Village Treasurer, Meyer stated that the current health insurance that the village insures is increasing by over 19%. This plan through WEA Trust is a significant cost savings for the village and employees depending on the option chosen Village Treasurer, Meyer noted. It is a 2-year commitment if the board decides to sign on with WEA Trust through the Consortium Jerry noted. If the village leaves the plan before the 2 years, the initial first month premium will be sacrificed. The initial 1-month premium is required, and it will be put in reserve for the group. If the group applies, turnaround time is usually 2 weeks for approval or denial for underwriting.

***Village Trustee, Peer moved, seconded by Village Trustee, Muehlberg to have all full-time employees of the Village of Grantsburg apply with Western Wisconsin Municipal Consortium for 2019 Health Insurance through the Consortium to see if they are accepted as a group.***



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Ayes: Ebersold, Barton, Longhenry, Muehlberg, Peer, Stone  
Nays: NONE  
Motion to approve: Carried

Village Treasurer, Meyer explained the Municipal Levy Limit Worksheet. The allowable levy is \$423,190 for 2018. The 2017 Levy that was payable in 2018 was \$420,876. The figure for 2018 Levy is figured with Net New Construction increase of 1.124% which was figured from the Dollar General being constructed. The 2018 levy limit before adjustments less 2019 personal property aid is \$2,416.69.

Village Treasurer, Meyer explained the Expenditure Restraint Program. She received the acceptable Expenditure Restraint percentage of increase for the village to qualify for the money which amounts to between \$10,000 and \$14,000. The money is included with the Shared Revenue payment for 2020. Expenditures in the General Fund less debt service can increase 3.1% to qualify for this payment. She noted that typically it is advised to budget the maximum amount allowed in case State Administration were to freeze or limit spending in the future. The 2019 General Fund Expenditures need to be \$1,516,714 with General Fund Debt Payments of \$192,998 leaving a net of \$1,323,716. Change in Net Expenditures is \$39,488 with a 3.0748% change. The allowable percent of change is 3.1% to qualify.

Village Treasurer, Meyer detailed the 2019 Draft Budgets. Needs for the village were discussed that were not included in the draft budget. Public Works Director, Bartlett would like to see a \$2,500 Robotic Cleaner included for the Municipal Pool. Also, \$1,000 stain control for the pool. A well at the airport is needed in the amount of \$600. A blade for the mower in the amount of \$1,860. Chip Seal, patches, fog seal in the amount of \$10,800. Airport Entitlement which equates to 5% of the \$25,000 Entitlement or \$1,250. Ordinance Officer and Certified Building Inspector for \$10,000. The draft budget for 2019 will be discussed and presented at the November 12, 2018 Village Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m. during the Budget Hearing Village Treasurer, Meyer stated.

***Village Trustee, Barton moved, seconded by Village Trustee, Stone to adjourn the Special Board Meeting at 6:45 p.m.***

Ayes: Ebersold, Barton, Longhenry, Peer, Stone  
Nays: NONE  
Motion to approve: Carried

Submitted by:

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