

Village President
Gary J. Althoff

Village of Bangor

Trustees
Jeff Radtke
John Mc Cue
Jill Grennan
Mike DeWall
Todd Brownell
Mike Pfaff

Village Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer
Jeri L. Wittmershaus

Director of Public Works
Josh Reynolds

Electric Utility Manager
Patrick Reilley



Village and Utility Board Minutes

November 15, 2022

The 2023 Proposed Budget Public Hearing was called to order at 6:00 PM.

Those in attendance were Board members Gary Althoff, Jeff Radtke, John McCue, Jill Grennan, Mike DeWall, Todd Brownell and Mike Pfaff. Also present were Jeri Wittmershaus-Administrator, Carolyn Hoeth-Deputy Clerk/Treasurer, Scott Alo- Police Chief, Pat Reilley-Utility Manager and Josh Reynolds-Director of Public Works. No members of the public were present.

Jeff Radtke informed the Board that the Finance Committee has unanimously approved the proposed budget. The Board reviewed the proposed 2023 budget.

Motion to adjourn the public hearing at 6:03 made by Mike Pfaff and seconded by Todd Brownell. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Gary Althoff called the village board meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Jeff Radtke-present, John McCue-present, Jill Grennan-present, Mike DeWall-present, Todd Brownell-present, Mike Pfaff-present, Gary Althoff-present.

Others present: Jeri Wittmershaus-Administrator, Scott Alo-Police Chief, Josh Reynolds-Director of Public Works, Pat Reilley- Utility Manager, Carolyn Hoeth-Deputy Clerk-Treasurer,

Jeri Wittmershaus attested to the posting of the agenda at three locations, as well as being emailed to the Monroe County Herald.

Motion to approve the agenda made by Mike DeWall and seconded by Jill Grennan. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Gary Althoff addressed the Board regarding his intention to retire when his current term is over next April. His remarks can be read in the attachment to these minutes.

Motion to approve the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting of October 18, 2022, and the Village/Utility Board meeting of October 11, 2022, made by Mike Pfaff and seconded by Todd Brownell. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion to approve Resolution 2022-08; Approval of the 2023 Village of Bangor Budget, made by Mike DeWall and seconded by Todd Brownell. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Scott Alo, Police Chief, presented the monthly Police Report. Motion to approve the Police Report as presented made by John McCue and seconded by Mike Pfaff. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Special Event Permit Application for the Shell-Bells "Christmas in the Village" tree lighting ceremony in Stockyard Park on December 4, 2022, was reviewed. Motion to approve the Special Event Permit, with the fee waived, made by John McCue and seconded by Mike DeWall. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

The proposal from Johnson Block was reviewed. Motion to approve the Johnson Block proposal for 2022 audit services made by Jeff Radtke and seconded by Jill Grennan. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Pat Reilley, Utility Manager, presented his monthly report. Substation regulators are being worked on and should be completed by the end of December. The river crossing boring by the Rod and Gun Club part of the Dutch Creek project has been completed. The GIS mapping project is underway. Two tablets will need to be purchased for the map software. Street lights are being changed over from HPS to LED. Motion to approve the electric utility report, as presented, made by John McCue and seconded by Todd Brownell. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Josh Reynolds, Director of Public Works, presented his monthly report. The Commercial Street project is nearly complete. It is looking like it may come in under budget. Streets were swept last week. Snow removal equipment is being prepped for winter. Phosphorus results at the waste water treatment plant are looking good. Motion to approve the public works report as presented made by Mike Pfaff and seconded by John McCue. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

The latest pay request from Gerke Excavating was reviewed. Motion to approve payment of Gerke Excavating pay application #10, for \$209,217.59, for the Commercial Street project made by Mike DeWall and seconded by Todd Brownell. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Proposal from Neil Betts, Homefield Assessing Inc., was reviewed. Motion to approve Homefield Assessing Inc. proposal for assessor services made by John McCue and seconded by Mike DeWall. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Voucher list was presented. Additions were discussed. Motion to approve the voucher listing, with the additions, made by Mike Pfaff and seconded by Todd Brownell. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

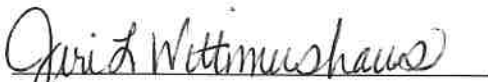
Gary Althoff informed the Board that he had talked with Spectrum, after the outage that occurred a few days ago. He stated that he was told Spectrum customers could be receiving a credit for the time their service was interrupted. He also mentioned a program that could reduce a customer's internet bill amount if they qualify.

Jeri Wittmershaus informed the Board that there is a meeting scheduled with Rockland Flooring next Monday related to their truck usage of Commercial Street. During the recent Commercial Street project, the street was designed to handle heavier truck traffic, at an increased cost to the Village. Jeri will update the Board at the next meeting.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 PM made by Mike Pfaff and seconded by Todd Brownell. Voice vote taken. All ayes, motion carried.

Minutes prepared by Carolyn Hoeth

Minutes reviewed by:



Jeri L. Wittmershaus, Administrator

Some of you here tonight weren't around when President Lyndon Johnson said the following:

"I shall not seek, and I will not accept, the nomination of my party for another term as your President." 31 March 1968.

For a number of reasons, I have decided to retire from my position as Village President when my term ends in April. I will not be running for office in the Spring election.

After being on this board as a Trustee for 9 years, and 9 two year terms as President (not to mention 6 years on the County Board from 1980-86), I feel it is time to walk away. Will I miss it...? Probably.

One of the 'positive' reasons for stepping aside now is the situation with our village employees. I truly believe that, across the board, we have the finest group of people in our managerial positions and everyone under our managers. Intelligent and dedicated men and women who constantly strive to save money when possible and get the best 'bang for the buck'. Yes, we have had some good people before, but this group is really super!

Looking around this room, I see some possible candidates to succeed me.

- *We could have the first retired state trooper at the helm. Jeff Radtke
- *We could have someone who was crowned King of the Hobos (twice). John Mc Cue
- *We could have our first female village President. Jill Grennan
- *We could have someone who immigrated here...from Minnesota! Mike DeWall
- *We could have a Northern meatcutter, with the southern nickname 'Bubba'. Todd Brownell
- *Or we could have the first Pfaff running the village. Not Brad. Not Dave. Mike Pfaff

Will the village survive without me? Hey, they survived WITH me !

And I figured if the COUNTRY can survive without Ron Kind, the VILLAGE OF BANGOR will survive without ME.

Something I thought about. A number of possibilities:

- #1. I could run...and lose! It happens.
- #2. I could pass away in office. This happens too.
- #3. I could be impeached...that happens.
- #4. People could start whispering that I'm getting too old and senile...that happens too.

So...**Thank You, one and all.** I'll have a few more remarks at the April meeting.