



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
MEETING NOTES OF JUNE 2, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 a.m. by Christensen.

Present: Bahle, Christensen, Lutke, and Smith  
Absent: Case, Long and Suppes  
Staff present: Fay, Larrea and Petroskey  
Guests: Mark Huggard, Jacobs

#### Reports

The DPW Director report was submitted by Miller and can be found in this meeting packet. Christensen voiced concern that perhaps the Village residents do not know to use bio bags for their yard refuse.

The Marina report was submitted by Harbor Master Aylsworth and can be found in this meeting packet.

The WWTP Report was submitted by Huggard, Jacobs, and can be found in this meeting packet. Huggard stated they are ramping up with summer flows coming into the facility and that the facility is operating well. They have maintained compliance with all of the parameters. Summer cleaning and projects are underway. Larrea stated that he recently met with Kevin of Jacobs who spoke highly of Huggard. Huggard stated he will pass the compliment on to the team.

The Treasurer report was submitted by DeVol and can be found in this meeting packet.

#### Committee Member Comments

Smith inquired about the status of Short-Term Rentals at the State level, and how it affects us locally. Larrea stated that if it passes, the Village loses total control of Short-Term rentals within the Village. Christensen stated the bill just passed at the Committee level. Following discussion of the consequences if this bill should it pass; it was the consensus of Committee to place a Resolution in opposition of the Bill on the next Village Council agenda. Smith asked if new sewer hookups were allowed in the Village. Yes, by application. Smith asked if there were plans to pave S. Shore Drive. Larrea stated there are plans to pave certain streets within the Village, but that there are not always funds to do so. Smith inquired about Village WIFI; Larrea is waiting for an update. Christensen stated four rain gardens will be planted this weekend.

#### Public Comment

Bill Perkins stated his support for a Resolution opposing Short Term rental regulation on a state level.

#### Report VSB-2021-35 Suttons Bay Recycling

It was the consensus of Committee to extend an invitation to the two Suttons Bay representatives serving on the Solid Waste Council, to attend the next Village Council meeting and provide an update on the Recycling issue within the Village.

#### Report VSB-2021-36 Municipal Parking Lot

It was the consensus of Committee to place on the next General Services Committee Agenda, the parking lot located at Insight Optometry as a discussion item, to discuss options. Larrea stated the parking area near Scoops Ice Cream shop on the north side of Adams Street has been identified as a good place for ADA parking, a project slated for 2022. Larrea further stated an area adjacent to the library has been identified as a possible location for Electric Charging stations.

#### Report VSB-2021-37 Township Culvert Initiative

Committee had the following discussions points:

- Hesitancy to move forward due to lack of proof of support/commitment from the Township, County and State
- Cost sharing of the study, \$5,000
- Developing a relationship with the Township
- Opportunity to obtain a grant
- Elm Street culverts do not qualify for a grant because they have not been deemed severe
- Deviating from the Work plan and Village goals

It was the consensus of Committee for Village Manager Larrea to reach out by letter to the Suttons Bay Township Board referring to the email from Lutke.

#### Report VSB-2021-38 Well Evaluation Grant Request

It was the consensus of Committee to move forward with the grant application for a water well location study.

#### Manager's Work Plan

Larrea stated all counts of Bob Joyce vs. the Village of Suttons Bay has been dismissed by Judge Power, and that there is a 28-day appeal process.

Litigation against the insurance company regarding the Elm Street bridge damage is ongoing.

Work continues on the Blight ordinance, modifying it to a civil infraction ordinance.

The hump on S. Shore Drive has been repaired, noting gratitude from Village residents.

The Village is waiting on bids to repair the sidewalk on West Street and tree removal.

The walkway at the Barkentines requires an emergency fix, and a contract has been signed.

The wedge pocket park has been seeded and stabilized.

The Sutton Park platform that collapsed will be cleaned up.

Cameras are now in place at the WWTP.

A Master Plan community survey draft is complete and will be reviewed and tweaked.

The meeting adjourned at 9:01 a.m.

Meeting notes submitted by Shar Fay, Village Clerk.