

**VALDERS VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 9, 2024**

Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call; the regular monthly meeting of the Valders Village Board was called to order by President Schneider at 7:00PM at the Valders Village Office, 207 S. Liberty Street. Trustees present: Paul Baroun, Marcus Bartelme, Dan Sabel, Devan Schneider & Lyle Schwoerer.	<u>MEETING CONVENED & ROLL CALL</u>
Motion by Baroun, second by Bartelme to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.	<u>AGENDA APPROVED</u>
No one was present for public input. Motion by Baroun, second by Sabel to close. Motion carried.	<u>PUBLIC INPUT</u>
Motion by Bartelme, second by Baroun to approve meeting minutes from 8/7/24 as presented by Clerk/Treasurer Bruckner. Motion carried.	<u>MINUTES APPROVED</u>
Motion by Sabel, second by Schwoerer to approve the August Treasurer's reports as presented by Bruckner for all department funds. Motion carried.	<u>TREASURER REPORT APPROVED</u>
Motion by Baroun, second by Sabel to approve August Village, Fire, EMS payroll direct deposit vouchers #1345 - #1392; checks #21955 - #22005 and electronic payments totaling \$178,073.51 as presented by Bruckner. Motion carried.	<u>VILLAGE VOUCHERS APPROVED</u>
Motion by Bartelme, second by Schwoerer to approve August Utility vouchers; check #8986 - #8993 and electronic transfer to investment fund totaling \$41,489.65 and check #1081 for \$2,000.00 as presented by Bruckner. Motion carried.	<u>UTILITY VOUCHERS APPROVED</u>
Notification of Manitowoc County Village Association meeting on 10/16/24 at Good Times, 16607 Cty Rd B, Mishicot, 6:30 PM dinner and presentation to follow by Dr. Wallace, Neurointerventionalist, Aurora Baycare Medical Center.	<u>MCVA MEETING-10/16/24</u>
Motion by Sabel, second by Schwoerer to schedule 2024 Halloween Trick-or-Treat date and times to Sunday October 27,2024 3:00 to 5:00 pm. Motion carried.	<u>SET 2024 TRICK-OR- TREAT DATE AND TIMES</u>
The board reviewed the Manitowoc County patrol logs and invoice for August.	<u>PATROL LOGS/ INVOICE REVIEWED FOR MCSD</u>
Fire/EMS Reports for August were presented by Baroun, in the absence of Fire Chief & EMS Director Dallas. There were 42 Fire & EMS calls. Pump testing completed and passed on both engines. Annual SCBA/Face Piece/Compressor testing completed and passed. DOT Inspections completed on ambulances and passed. Dallas, Finance Committee Member and Public Safety Chair continue to work on 2025 Fire & EMS budgets.	<u>MONTHLY FIRE AND EMS REPORT/UPDATES</u>
Motion by Baroun, second by Bartelme to adopt Ordinance 3-2024 for amendments to Municipal Code Chapter 14 and Chapter 15 for Building Inspections, Fees, Permits and to update Building Code Regulations which adopt the current State Regulations for Construction, Electrical and Plumbing, which was available for public inspection prior to adoption as required by State Statutes. Motion carried.	<u>ADOPTED ORD 3-2024 CHAPTER 14 & 15 CODE AMENDMENTS</u>
Motion by Baroun, second by Sabel, to adopt Resolution 2024-8 Establish the Use of a Fee Schedule for the Village of Valders. Motion carried.	<u>ADOPTED RES 2024-8 ESTABLISH THE USE OF A FEE SCHEDULE</u>
Shillcox reviewed the August report with the board. The New Thorstein Veblen Historical Marker has been installed at the Valders Memorial Park. Fire hydrant flow pressure NFPA testing will be completed soon, which is required every 5 years. Robert E Lee submit to the DNR this week our Wastewater Facility Plan, as well as Chemical Addition & Effluent Meter Design Plans for their review and approval. We continue work on methods to achieve a reduction in our Phosphorus levels.	<u>DPW PUBLIC WORKS MONTHLY REPORT</u>
Notification of 2023 League of Wisconsin Municipalities Mutual Insurance Dividend of \$2,644 received for all departments and will be applied to 2024 premium categories.	<u>LWMMI 2023 PREMIUM DIVIDEND RECEIVED</u>
Motion by Baroun, second by Schwoerer to approve renewal of Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance effective 12/01/2024 for employees, the only plan change is the elimination of a copay for child primary care physician visits. The renewal premium with mandatory small group age rate up applied is an average of an 8.36% increase. Motion carried.	<u>APPROVED RENEWAL OF HEALTH INSURANCE</u>
Motion by Schneider, second by Bartelme to convene in closed session in accordance with Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) consideration of public employment and compensation Administrative Assistant and public employee evaluations and compensation for Village/ Utility/EMS personnel for 2025 budgets at 7:31PM. Motion carried.	<u>MOTION TO CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION</u>
Motion by Schneider, second by Schwoerer to convene in open session in accordance with Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(2) at 8:47PM. Motion carried. Schneider stated there are two motions resulting from the closed session.	<u>RECONVENED IN OPEN SESSION</u>

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The board interviewed and offered the position of Village/Utility Assistant to applicant. Motion by Schneider, second by Bartelme to hire Debra Sieracki with a starting rate of \$18 per hour. Motion carried. Debra accepted the position and will start immediately.

HIRED ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Schneider stated with budget status, funds the boards number one goal is retain our good employees and to take care of them as much as we can. Motion by Schneider, second by Baroun effective for 2025 budget year to approve all existing Village full and regular part-time employees will receive a \$1.00 per hour increase from their current rate of pay for 2024. Paid On-Call EMS personnel will receive a \$0.50 cent per hour increase. Motion carried.

APPROVED 2025 WAGE INCREASES

Motion by Schneider, second by Bartelme to adjourn meeting at 8:53PM. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Respectfully submitted,
VILLAGE OF VALDERS

Lori Bruckner
Village Clerk/Treasurer

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VALDERS VILLAGE BOARD SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 26, 2024

A special joint meeting of the Valders Village Board and other municipalities which may be present from the Valders EMS Service District & Valders Fire Service District was called to order by President Schneider at 6:01PM at the Valders Fire Station, 103 Eisenhower Street. Trustees present: Paul Baroun, Dan Sabel, Devan Schneider & Lyle Schwoerer. Marcus Bartelme absent and excused. Representatives from the Town of Cato, Eaton, Franklin, Meeme, Rockland and Village of Reedsville were present. Districts not in attendance, Town of Liberty and Maple Grove and Village of Whitelaw.

MEETING CONVENED & ROLL CALL

Motion by Schneider, second by Schwoerer to close public input. Motion carried. Members/representatives of the Service Districts present will participate in the discussions pertaining to EMS per capita rates, operating budgets as well as Fire District dues and operating budgets being presented to the group as a whole.

PUBLIC INPUT

EMS Director Christoper Dallas gave a report on 2024 year, and the reset of budget numbers to draft presented in September of 2023. Dallas then presented a draft three-year operating budget for 2025/2026/2027 with a \$2 per year per capita increase each year based on 2024 estimated populations received from the Wisconsin Department of Administration Demographic Service Center. It is proposed to do a three-year contract, with changes to contract termination verbiage to protect the group as a whole and the per capita rate. A two-year contract would be a \$3.00 increase each year for the two-year period of 2025/2026 or a one-year contract would be a \$4.00 increase for 2025. Eaton requested a copy of the three-year contract be sent to them to present to their full board at their October meeting. Several other municipalities then nodded their heads to be sent a copy of the three-year contract as well to present to their full board. No communities represented stated they were looking to seek another EMS Service for their community. Based on this discussion motion by Schneider, second by Sabel to EMS multi-year contracts: a \$2.00 per capita per year increase for a three-year contract, a \$3.00 per capita per year for a two-year contract and \$4.00 per capita increase for a one-year contract. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION DRAFT
EMS OPERATING
BUDGETS AND PER
CAPITA RATES WITH
ONE, TWO OR THREE-
YEAR CONTRACTS

Fire Chief Christopher Dallas presented a draft three-year operating budget for 2025/2026/2027 for the Valders Fire Service District serving Valders, Town of Cato (16 Sections) and Town of Liberty (18 Sections) to change to a three-year service contract as well. Previously, it has always been an annual contract with the District Due amounts adjusted annually by their respective equalized values. This new contract proposal would be a set increase equally for the Towns and a lesser increase for the Village, due to a smaller area of coverage. This option would keep our municipal budgets more consistent from year to year, but still with an increase to comply with Act 12 Maintenance of Effort compliance for public safety expenditures. Motion by Baroun, second by Schwoerer to present three-year fire service contracts to each district served as follows: Town of Cato, 2024/\$56,612 contract was and will increase \$1,790 for 2025, \$1,500 for 2026 and \$1,500 for 2027; Town of Liberty 2024/\$55,180 contract was and will increase \$1,790 for 2025, \$1,500 for 2026 and \$1,500 for 2027; and Village of Valders 2024/\$41,218 contract was and will increase \$1,000 for 2025, \$1,000 for 2026 and \$1,000 for 2027. Motion carried

MOTION TO APPROVE
TO PREPARE MULTI-
YEAR CONTRACTS FOR
EMS DISTRICTS

PROPOSED THREE-
YEAR OPERATING
BUDGETS AND
CONTRACT RATES FOR
FIRE SERVICES
PRESENTED

Motion by Baroun, second by Schwoerer to adjourn meeting at 7:33PM. Motion carried.

MOTION TO APPROVE
TO PREPARE THREE-
YEAR CONTRACTS FOR
FIRE DISTRICTS WITH
INCREASES AS
PRESENTED

Respectfully submitted,
VILLAGE OF VALDERS

Lori Bruckner
Village Clerk/Treasurer

MEETING ADJOURNED

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