President Hermes called the Village Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of Village Hall.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Birmingham, Barbian, Ouellette, Chadwick, Sikorski, Genz, Hermes
Absent: None
Also Present: Todd Michaels, Village Manager
Kathryn Kasza, Clerk-Treasurer
Sarah Jankowski, Assistant Village Manager
Timothy Saidler, Fire Chief
Robert Malasuk, Police Chief
Robert McFaul, Public Works Director
Mark Uecker, Utilities Superintendent
John Macy, Village Attorney
Representative Ken Skowronski
John Tharp, Greendale Schools Superintendent
22 Visitors

**MINUTES**

*Trustee Birmingham moved, seconded by Trustee Barbian, that the reading of the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting held on June 17, 2014 be suspended since all Board members received copies of same prior to tonight’s meeting and that these minutes be approved as presented.*

Ayes: Birmingham Barbian, Ouellette, Chadwick, Sikorski, Genz, Hermes
Nays: None
Motion to Approve: Carried

**NEW COMMUNICATIONS**

| #14-18 | Len Roecker Village Engineer | Southway intersection with Broad Street – Intersection Evaluation |

Manager Michaels stated that last fall he asked the Village Engineer to do a traffic analysis of the intersection at Southway and Broad Street after numerous complaints. The Village Engineer has completed his analysis and Michaels asked that this item be referred to the Public Works Committee and Public Health, Welfare and Safety Committee for review and recommendation.

*Trustee Birmingham moved, seconded by Trustee Barbian, to refer Communication #14-18 Village Engineer, Len Roecker’s evaluation of the intersection of Southway and Broad Street to the Public Works Committee and the Public Health, Welfare and Safety Committee for review and recommendation.*

Ayes: Birmingham, Barbian, Ouellette, Chadwick, Sikorski, Genz, Hermes
Nays: None
Motion to Refer: Carried
CITIZENS’ COMMENTS

Ken Judy, 5199 Lakeside Dr, spoke about moving the polling places. He stated that he supports making the Hose Tower a polling place, with equal amounts from each Grade School. However he thought the move was premature since the Hose Tower is not yet finished.

Judith Wishman, 5771 Oakwood St, stated that removing the polling places from the elementary schools is an overreaction to a non-issue. She gave several reasons why school safety on an election day is a rare if not non-existent problem. Children are more at risk in restaurants or other public places. She said that school buses are more dangerous for children than shooters on election day. She felt voting in schools was a great example of citizens exercising their constitutional right to vote, a great lesson in civics.

Karen Birmingham, 5711 Schoolway, wanted to thank the Public Works department for their quick response in removing all the downed trees and branches from the roadways after the storms.

Aleks Skibicki, 4256 Teakwood Ct, speaking for the Greendale PTO and Teachers Unions, spoke about removing elections from the schools. He stated that it disrupts various programs and hinders their ability to do their jobs. He also talked about school security and compliance to accessibility.

Ron Wishman, 5771 Oakwood St, also spoke about removing elections from the schools and said he walks to the polling place. He stated that older voters would not go to an alternate polling site. He said voting in the schools has been a tradition that he has exercised for the last 35 years.

Jason Patzfahl, 5301 Laura Ln, parent and former Vice President of the PTO at Highland View spoke about the disruption of the school days from elections. He discussed security and cited examples of traditions that have changed for the greater good of all citizens.

Paul Elliott, 5788 Rustic Ln, 5788 Rustic Lane, Chief Inspector for Wards 9 and 10 asked that the Board request this change be delayed until after the November 2014 election. He stated that there needs to be more time to inform the electorate and get them used to the change. He also asked that for added security the police chief provide an armed officer at each elementary school for the November 2014 Election. He also suggested that the school district build a small building, specifically for elections, where all the polling places could be placed.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance Committee, June 23, 2014 Meeting, Trustee Birmingham

i. Discussion and necessary action pertaining to increasing Water Utility Rates (FC 14-14)

The Finance Committee recommends, and Trustee Birmingham moved, seconded by Trustee Barbian, to authorize staff to apply for a purchased water adjustment case rate increase of 3% effective July 1, 2014.

Trustee Barbian stated that he felt that doing a small increase of 3% makes more sense than raising it later at a much higher rate. Although he does not like raising the water rates, he felt it was necessary since the wholesale rate is increasing by 3% to the Village. Trustee Genz said he saw in the news that Milwaukee wants to go before the Public Service Commission (PSC) to raise their rates for wholesale customers. Manager Michaels stated that this is a Simple Rate Case for
3% to all wholesale customers. Milwaukee is also going to the PSC to do a Full Rate Case which would result in a projected 40% rate increase in purchased water to the Village. However, all the wholesale customers have combined and hired an attorney to try and get this rate decreased and our water consultant has testified in an effort to keep rates down.

Ayes: Birmingham, Barbian, Ouellette, Chadwick, Sikorski, Genz, Hermes
Nays: None
Motion to Approve: Carried

ii. Discussion and necessary action pertaining to Safety Center Kitchenette (FC 14-15)

_The Finance Committee recommends, and Trustee Birmingham moved, seconded by Trustee Barbian, to approve the construction of a kitchenette at the Safety Center, including plumbing, electrical, countertops, cabinets and a refrigerator for an estimated cost of $8,725 with contributions of $1,000 in donations with funding from the Capital Improvement Fund._

Trustee Chadwick wanted to thank the Greendale Lions and the Greendale Entertainment Association for their donations. Trustee Barbian thinks it is a good idea but would like to amend the motion to postpone a decision on this item for 3 meetings since it is not budgeted.

_The Finance Committee recommends, and Trustee Barbian moved, seconded by Trustee Chadwick, to postpone the discussion of the construction of a kitchenette at the Safety Center, for 3 meetings._

Ayes: Birmingham, Barbian, Ouellette, Chadwick, Sikorski, Genz, Hermes
Nays: Sikorski
Motion to Approve: Carried

iii. Discussion and necessary action pertaining to an amnesty period for Dog/Cat License Late Fees. (FC 14-16).

_The Finance Committee recommends and Trustee Birmingham moved, seconded by Trustee Barbian to approve Ordinance 869 amending Village Code Section 12.04(2)(c) to allow for an animal license late fee amnesty period._

Ayes: Birmingham, Barbian, Ouellette, Chadwick, Sikorski, Genz, Hermes
Nays: None
Motion to Approve: Carried

_The Finance Committee further recommends and Trustee Barbian moved, seconded by President Hermes, to designate the month of July 2014 as an animal license late fee amnesty period for 2014._

Ayes: Birmingham, Barbian, Ouellette, Chadwick, Sikorski, Genz, Hermes
Nays: None
Motion to Approve: Carried

iv. Finance Committee Internal Audit Review of Bills Presented for Payment.
The internal audit review report done by Trustee Birmingham is enclosed in the packet.

v. Approval of Accounts Payable Checks for Payment.

The Finance Committee recommends, and Trustee Birmingham moved, seconded by Trustee Barbian, to approve Accounts Payable Check Nos. 96437 to 96499, in the amount of $345,237.57; ACH Payments in the amount of $415,926.12; P-Card purchases in the amount of $167,649.48; for a total of $928,813.17.

Ayes: Birmingham, Barbian, Ouellette, Chadwick, Sikorski, Genz, Hermes
Nays: None
Motion to Approve: Carried


Clerk-Treasurer Kasza reviewed the report. Accounts are up-to-date and she is working on budget worksheets for 2015. President Hermes complimented Kasza on her monthly reports

OLD BUSINESS

A. Board and Committee Appointments and Resignations

President Hermes presented the July appointments: Building Board – Jason Cyborski to replace Darryl Kurzka; Library Board – Sherry Maierle to replace Bill Hegge; Park and Rec Committee – Noelle Yanisch and Lenore Lenten to replace Lori Koch and Kim Johnson.

Trustee Barbian moved, seconded by Trustee Birmingham, to affirm above appointments made by President Hermes.

Ayes: Birmingham, Barbian, Ouellette, Chadwick, Sikorski, Genz, Hermes
Nays: None
Motion to Affirm: Carried

NEW BUSINESS

A. BOT 14-35 Discussion and necessary action pertaining to the location of polling places within the Village of Greendale.

President Hermes talked about the letter from the School District asking the Village to remove the polling places from the elementary schools. The Village Board held a joint Board meeting with the School Board and heard from PTO organizations and from various parents with children attending the schools in question. However, Hermes felt that all the voters in the community should be heard. Therefore he recommended that a referendum be placed on the November 4th ballot asking all residents this question.

Trustee Barbian stated that an armed police officer could be placed at each elementary school to make it the safest day of the year. Barbian felt that there are not enough facilities available in the Village to move the polling places. Barbian also thought that there are many other unsupervised activities that could be a danger to students and if safety is the main issue that those activities should be looked at as well. He also wanted to wait until after the November 4, 2014 election.
Trustee Genz felt that this issue came up very abruptly and agreed the referendum was a great idea to find out what the desires are of the voting public. Genz felt that changing the polling places for the November election was too soon to come up with new facilities. He felt the School District could be more flexible with their scheduling, if the main concern is safety of the children.

Trustee Birmingham said that this issue has been explored for years and would like a little more time to find the facilities that can accommodate the voters permanently. Birmingham said the November election was too important and busy to move. He also felt that an advisory referendum would be a good idea to see what the all the residents want to do.

Trustee Birmingham moved, seconded by Trustee Barbian, to place a non-binding referendum on the November 4, 2014 ballot asking residents about moving polling places from the elementary schools.

Trustee Chadwick said since the ultimate goal is to keep the children safe then in-service days could be used. She reminded everyone that the Village has helped make the entrances to all the schools compliant with the American Disabilities Act (ADA). Chadwick felt that the schools should have in-service days for five years and then it can be re-evaluated. She stated that she thought there would be more discussions with the schools and was surprised and disappointed by the letter they sent.

Trustee Birmingham reminded everyone that even though the taxpayers pay for the schools, the School District has been given the custody of the building and the children. The School District stated in their letter that in-service days will not work with their schedule and the Village cannot ask them to do so. Birmingham said that the Village needs more time to find other facilities.

Attorney Macy gave his legal advice to the wording of the motion. Macy said the intent of the motion is clear but the wording of the motion should be changed. He stated that the most important part of any referendum is the wording of the question. He asked the maker of the motion to change the wording to direct the staff to investigate the procedure, cost and come up with a proposed question for consideration at the next meeting. President Hermes asked if the Board could approve having a referendum and then direct staff to look into procedure, cost and the question. Macy said he was just giving advice on the wording not on the intent. The motion was then amended as follows.

Trustee Birmingham moved, seconded by Trustee Barbian, to place an advisory referendum on the November 4, 2014 ballot, and direct staff to investigate the procedure, cost and wording of the question, to be presented at the next meeting.

Trustee Chadwick asked why we are doing an advisory referendum if the school has the authority to lock us out anyway. Trustee Birmingham said it is not his intent to undermine the School District, but just to give us time to see what the public has to say. Attorney Macy wanted to clarify that the intent of the motion is regardless of where the election is held. Trustee Birmingham said yes it is just to recognize the will of the voters.

Ayes: Birmingham, Barbian, Ouellette, Sikorski, Genz, Hermes
Nays: Chadwick
Motion to Approve: Carried

Manager Michaels asked about the intent regarding the School District’s letter for the November election. He asked if the Board wanted him to send a letter asking them to let us use the schools at
least through the November election. President Hermes said that was his intent and the Board concurred. Manager Michaels asked Attorney Macy if he should write them a letter. Macy said the first thing he should do is clarify the intent of the School District’s letter. Are they telling us we cannot hold elections in the schools in November nor are they asking us to move the polling places for the November election. Macy suggested that a letter should be sent to them asking them to reconsider and let the Village hold elections in the schools at least until the end of the year. Trustee Birmingham said staff should ask about the possibility for staying in the schools at least until the November election. President Hermes said he would like to make it a clear request that this be placed on the November ballot in the present polling locations. Attorney Macy suggested it be extended to the end of the year.

**Trustee Birmingham moved, seconded by Trustee Barbian, to direct staff to send a letter on behalf of the Village Board to the School District to request that they extend their authorization to use schools for elections until the end of the year, with police protection.**

Trustee Genz said the police should be armed officers not just auxiliary. He said he read the letter as a request to consider going elsewhere. Manager Michaels said he read it as a very politely written letter asking us to leave.

Ayes: Birmingham, Barbian, Ouellette, Chadwick, Sikorski, Genz, Hermes
Nays: None
Motion to Affirm: Carried

**B. BOT 14-36 Consider approving Resolution No. R2014-07—Acknowledging the Filing of the Village’s 2013 Sanitary Sewer Compliance Maintenance Report (CMAR) with the Department of Natural Resources.**

Manager Michaels stated that this is an annual report. He stated that we had no overflows and thus received the highest rating.

**Trustee Birmingham moved, seconded by Trustee Barbian, to approve Resolution No. R2014-07—Acknowledging the Filing of the Village’s 2013 Sanitary Sewer Compliance Maintenance Report (CMAR) with the Department of Natural Resources.**

Ayes: Birmingham, Barbian, Ouellette, Chadwick, Sikorski, Genz, Hermes
Nays: None
Motion to Approve: Carried

**C. BOT 14-37 Consider approving the Special Community Event Permits for the Village Days events.**

Assistant Village Manager presented this request for Village Days scheduled for the weekend of August 8th –10th. This year’s festivities will be similar to prior years with about seven changes. This event is sponsored by the Greendale Entertainment Association (GEA). The parade was previously approved by the Village Board at the April 1, 2014 meeting.

Tony Noviska, President of the GEA, presented some of the changes in the layout of the tents and vendors from previous years. Noviska asked that Parking Street be closed. The Saturday night movie will be moved to Daffodil Park. He is also requesting installation of additional electrical service
for the food vendors to avoid noisy generators. He said that the GEA would pay for the installation as an improvement of the infrastructure that can be used in the future.

*Trustee Barbian moved, seconded by Trustee Ouellette, to approve BOT-37 the requested Village Days permits and events/activities as presented and authorize staff to coordinate final approval of all events and necessary permits.*

Trustee Genz wanted to know if the Board is approving the just the event permit or the infrastructure improvements also and if so he wanted to know if we had any plans. Manager Michaels stated that the power upgrade is part of the permits being approved and we don’t have any plans yet. President Hermes asked if this power upgrade had to be done before Village Days and Noviska said the GEA would prefer it but they could have a temporary service installed or use generators. Hermes asked if they have a cost estimate yet and Clerk-Treasurer Kasza stated it was under $5000 depending on where it is placed. Trustee Chadwick questioned whether a permanent service is feasible since the future of the downtown area is uncertain. Manager Michaels said there would be no guarantee that the service would stay. Genz asked if this was similar to what is at the Gazebo and if there is any hazard to this power upgrade and Michaels said the exact same enclosures are on the South side of the parking lot.

President Hermes said he has several concerns. First, about closing Parking Street because of the congestion it will cause. Second about the movie night at Daffodil Park may meet with objections from the neighbors in that area. Third, the permanent power upgrade should have been done already and he could not approve this. Trustee Ouellette said she did not think the movie night would be really loud enough to disturb the neighbors, and it only lasts two hours. Noviska said that the configuration of the tents could be moved but he strongly suggested the power upgrade be done.

Trustee Birmingham asked if the GEA could get some clarification from the electrician that this could be put in. Manager Michaels said there is no problem getting the service in a month. Noviska thought the permanent service was a good investment for the infrastructure. Michaels stated that if he can get temporary service in it is a non-issue. Hermes said there was not even an estimate of cost yet so this would have to be done before the permit can be approved. Trustee Genz said there is the will to do it and the money to do it, so the Board should let the GEA go ahead. Hermes wanted the service to be in before he would agree. He is still opposed to closing Parking Street, due to traffic congestion. Trustee Ouellette stated that there is no Green Market during Village Days. Trustee Sikorski made the suggestion to look into a large generator that could provide power for all. Trustee Birmingham said he thought the Board should go ahead and Hermes said he wanted staff to stay on top of it.

Ayes: Birmingham, Barbian, Ouellette, Chadwick, Sikorski, Genz, Hermes
Nays: None
Motion to Approve: Carried

**D. BOT 14-38 Consider approving a Letter of Understanding between the Village of Greendale and the Greendale Historical Society related to the Society’s donation of $25,000 to the Village for the renovation of the Grounds Building and Hose Tower.**

Manager Michaels summarized the Letter of Understanding between the Village and the Historical Society. He presented the two projects proposed for the Hose Tower. One is the footings for the door and the other is the door itself. The Historical Society will donate $25,000 to the Village for
these projects. The Village will get quotes for these projects and if more money is needed the Historical Society will have to decide if they want to move forward and donate more money or if they want the money refunded.

**Trustee Barbian moved, seconded by Trustee Birmingham, to approve BOT 14-38 approving a Letter of Understanding between the Village of Greendale and the Greendale Historical Society related to the Society’s donation of $25,000 to the Village for the renovation of the Grounds Building and Hose Tower as presented.**

Ayes: Birmingham, Barbian, Ouellette, Chadwick, Sikorski, Genz, Hermes
Nays: None
Motion to Approve: Carried

**E. BOT 14-39  Discussion and necessary action on the Village’s 2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Application Projects.**

Manager Michaels presented the details for the change to CDBG projects for the 2015 applications. He stated that the one activity that does qualify for funding is senior programs. If the Village uses its remaining funding for building improvements to the Ground Building and Hose Tower and moves its senior program there, improvements to that building will be eligible.

**Trustee Birmingham moved, seconded by Trustee Barbian, to approve R2014-08 a Resolution authorizing the 2015 CDBG applications and approve it as amended to include: 1) the Adult Program Coordinator ($10,000); and 2) building improvements to the Grounds Building and Hose Tower ($30,000).**

Ayes: Birmingham, Barbian, Ouellette, Chadwick, Sikorski, Genz, Hermes
Nays: None
Motion to Approve: Carried

**OFFICERS REPORTS**

**A. Village Manager’s Report:** Manager Michaels reminded everyone of the Greendale Lion’s Family Fest for the weekend of the 4th of July. He also mentioned the Milwaukee Water Works Full Rate Case had the Public Hearing last week. Michaels presented the Status Report from Kaempfer & Associates, Inc. on the Water Supply System Improvements.

**B. Village President’s Report:** Waived

**CITIZENS’ COMMENTS**

June Kaminski, 5181 Laura Ln, said she wants voting out of schools. She has an autistic child and the disruption of the school routine is difficult for kids with special needs. In-service days on election day also disrupts the routine of the children.

Jason Cyborowski, 6030 Doyle Street, said some of his neighbors have asked for a no outlet sign on his street. He wanted to know what the kitchenette would be used for and if the cost was the issue. He stated his company would be willing to do the work for the cost quoted. He felt that the referendum in November might give the voters false hope that voting can stay in the schools.
Ted Mainella, president of the Greendale Historical Society, wanted to thank the Village and the staff for cooperating in the project of the Hose Tower and give them a progress report.

**CLOSED SESSION**

President Hermes read the closed session item:

A) The Board shall convene in Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute Section 19.85(1) (e) to deliberate or negotiate the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Specifically, to discuss strategy relevant to redevelopment in the Southridge Mall and Downtown Area and to discuss negotiations with cellular telephone companies that lease property from the Village. The Board Will NOT Return to Open Session to Act on Matters Discussed.

*Trustee Birmingham moved, seconded by Trustee Barbian, to go into closed session pursuant to the statement of Wisconsin State Statute previously cited.*

Ayes: Birmingham, Barbian, Ouellette, Chadwick, Sikorski, Genz, Hermes
Nays: None

Motion to Adjourn to closed session: Carried

The Board adjourned into Closed Session at 8:47 p.m. The Board *will not* return to Open Session to Act on Matters Discussed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion by Trustee Barbian, seconded by Trustee Birmingham, to adjourn.*

Ayes: Birmingham, Barbian, Ouellette, Chadwick, Sikorski, Genz, Hermes
Nays: None

Motion to Adjourn: Carried

The Board adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan Siefert, CMC, WCMC, Deputy Clerk