

Village of Chenequa

CHENEQUA VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES OF MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2010  
Unofficial until approved by the Village Board  
Approved as written (✓) or with corrections ( ) on 2-8-2010

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Chenequa was held at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, January 11, 2010, at the Village Hall, 31275 W. Hwy K, Chenequa. Legal requirements for notification of the news media were met.

Following is the attendance list:

Mr. Foote/President – present  
Ms. Villavicencio - present  
Ms. Seidel / Trustee – present  
Mr. Gehl / Trustee – present  
Ms. Wilkey / Trustee – present  
Mr. Haase / Trustee – present  
Attorney Susan Sager/ Village Attorney - present  
Mr. Douglas / Administrator -Police Chief – present  
Ms. Zimdars / Clerk-Treasurer – present

**Attendance**

Judge Douglas R. Stern; Jack MacDonough

**Public comment period**

None.

**Presentation by Judge Stern of the Lake Country Municipal Court.**

Judge Stern gave a presentation to the Village Trustees on the overall operation and financial standing of the municipal court. Handouts are attached.

**Approve minutes of the December 14, 2009 Board Meeting.**

Trustee Seidel said she ran into trouble understanding exactly the situation with Lake Country Fire and Rescue and suggested that section of the minutes should be elaborated on further. Attorney Sager noted a correction on page 2 of the minutes saying it should read that Trustee Wilkey voted “aye”; and also that the last sentence should be removed.

Motion (Wilkey, Haase) to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2009 Board meeting, subject to the corrections noted, Carried Unanimously.

**Clerk/Treasurer**

**Present invoices for approval.**

Trustee Wilkey questioned the attorney fees paid to Herro, Chapman, and Herro – asking if this amount was spent quarterly. Administrator/Police Chief Douglas said he would report back on this item. Trustee Gehl questioned the amount being paid to Unemployment for previous employee Officer Sallmann. Administrator/ Police Chief Douglas said this was per the State of Wisconsin and it was in the dismissal agreement that it would not be contested.

Motion (Gehl, Seidel) to approve the invoices as presented, Carried Unanimously.

**Report on Investment activity.**

Investments were reviewed, no action was required. President Foote said he would like to add a discussion of the Village Balance sheet at the next meeting. Trustee Villavicencio pointed out the Village has tried to sell the land it owns, which would solve some problems.

**Consider appointment of Trustee to fill the vacancy on the Chenequa Village Board.**

Motion (Foote, Gehl) to appoint an individual to fill the vacant trustee position, Carried Unanimously.

Next President Foote asked for nominations. Trustee Villavicencio nominated Jack MacDonough- saying he worked with the Village for over 5 years on various committees.

Motion (Villavicencio, Wilkey) to appoint Jack MacDonough as Trustee to fill out the vacancy left by Trustee Foote, who is now serving as Village President, Carried Unanimously.

**Consider appointment of Helmut Keidl to fill the vacancy on the Chenequa Plan Commission.**

Motion (Foote, Gehl) to approve Helmut Keidl as a member of the Chenequa Plan Commission, *Carried Unanimously*.

Trustee Seidel asked for an introduction, and President Foote said Mr. Keidl was a business man and an industrialist who has done well, indicating good judgment.

**Review and consider Release of Restriction submitted by Matt Neumann, being all of Lot 1 C.S.M. 10522, located in the NW, ¼ of Section 29, T.8N., R.18E., Town of Merton, Waukesha County, Wisconsin, per Village code 6.18 extraterritorial jurisdiction.**

President Foote explained that this was brought to the Plan Commission and involves 5 acres of land on the west side of the Village abutting to Oakland Hills Road. The property is part of an Environment Corridor. Approval has been received from the County, SEWRPC, and the Town of Merton to convert 15% of the property into a residence, driveway and septic field with the other 85% remaining in the environmental corridor. He said there is very little Chenequa can do, but would like to notice Chenequa neighbors prior to giving approval.

**Preliminary- Consider entrance structure to Pheasant Drive.**

President Foote explained that some residents requested a permit to build a stone entrance wall. He said the Plan Commission wanted to see written approval by property owners prior to giving approval.

This item was held over until the next meeting.

**Review and consider commendation for retired Village President Bryce Styza.**

Motion (Wilkey, Villavicencio) to approve the resolution for retired Village President Bryce Styza, *Carried Unanimously*. It was suggested that a way to recognize President Styza should be considered for the February agenda.

**Discussion/possible action on the proposed Crematorium for Nashotah.**

This item was taken off the agenda. It had been rejected by Nashotah.

**Committee Reports**

**Public Safety** – no report.

**Operations** – no report.

**Plan Commission** – met earlier.

**Open Space** – no report.

**Board of Appeals** – no report.

**Personnel Committee** – no report.

**Hwy 83 Task Force** – President Foote said he would like the committee to start thinking about the next step. Trustee Haase asked if the DOT was still working on the idea of widening Hwy 83. Trustee Villavicencio said they were always working on it. She said the DOT was looking for a 10 foot clear zone on either side of Hwy 83 plus utilities would need another 5 feet, making a total of 15 feet on either side of Hwy 83 and removal of 400 or more trees. Trustee Villavicencio continued with an overview of the history of Hwy 83. She said that the more people that are aware of the DOT proposals, the better off the Village would be.

**Emergency Government Committee** – no report.

**Lake Management Ad Hoc Committee** – President Foote said he felt this committee should be established as a permanent committee. Trustee Haase said it would be of great assistance to others, and much could be gained by sharing resources. He said he was the Chairman of the Public Access Committee for North Lake and met recently with the DNR and the Corp of Engineers. He said NLM approved a launch with 16 parking spaces off Hwy 83. He said a channel would be dug out from the launch site, and riparian owners would pay for it if the DNR would agree to dredge the entire bay. He said there will be a public hearing on January 28<sup>th</sup>, when comments will be heard, but the DNR conducts the meeting. He said it would be nice to have the support from the Village of Chenequa. It was stated that previous Village President, Bryce Styza, signed a letter in support of the Hwy 83 launch site. President Foote said he would like to have an item on the February agenda that would change the Lake Management Ad Hoc Committee to a permanent committee.

Motion (Seidel, MacDonough) to reaffirm stance on the Hwy 83 launch site, *Carried Unanimously*. A letter signed by the Village President reaffirming support should be attached to the original letter.

**Police Commission** – no report

**Lake Country Fire and Rescue Board** – Trustee Wilkey reported that as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, the fire department is now known as “Lake Country Fire & Rescue”. She said that the fire board consists of two members from each municipality represented – Delafield, Nashotah, and Chenequa. She said in the original agreement, alternates were not assigned and it was then suggested to assign an alternate from each community. Trustee Wilkey

said the suggestion was for the Village President to fill the role of alternate. She said the Board met a total of four times in December, and that the new attorney has been put to good use.

Motion (Wilkey, MacDonough) to approve President Foote as an alternate to the Lake Country Fire and Rescue Board, Carried Unanimously.

**Report of Village Administrator.**

Administrator/Police Chief Douglas told Board members that Pam Little was hired as the new Police Clerk, to fill the vacancy created when employee Lynn Grosch left to take fulltime employment with the Town of Oconomowoc.

**Report of Village President.**

No report.

**Report of Village Attorney**

No report.


**Agenda items to be considered for future meetings of the Village Board.**

President Foote said he would like to have an analysis of the balance sheet for the Village at the February meeting. Trustee Seidel asked if equipment would be looked at, and President Foote told her not at this time. He said there would be discussion of the snow plow program, and then direction would be given for the Operations Committee to look into in more detail. He suggested looking to see how other communities handle snow plowing.

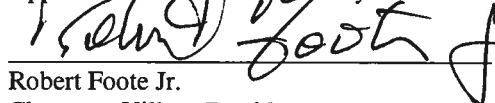
**Adjournment.**

Motion (Seidel, Haase) to adjourn the December 14<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Village Board at 8:45 p.m., Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by:

  
Bonita Zimdars  
Clerk/Treasurer

Approved and Ordered Posted by:

  
Robert Foote Jr.  
Chenequa Village President