

**CITY OF RUSHFORD VILLAGE MINUTES OCTOBER 5, 2021**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING 7:00 PM**  
**43038 State Hwy 30, Rushford Village, Minnesota 55971-5167**

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

The October 5, 2021 Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Dennis Overland at 7:00 p.m. in the Rushford Village Office. Council Members present: Mike Ebner, Robert Hart and Rick Ruberg; Planning/Zoning Administrator Jon Pettit, City Attorney Joseph O'Koren Treasurer Judy Graham, Clerk Mary Miner.

Absent: Roger Knutson, Trenten Chiglo

**AGENDA** was approved as presented

Motion by Ebner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ruberg, Carried.

**MINUTES** from September 21, 2021 Regular Council Meeting were approved as presented

Motion by Hart 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ruberg, Carried.

**CITIZENS/OTHERS PRESENT:** Kirsten Zoellner – Fillmore County Journal, George Graham

**FINANCIALS-** September Expenses \$25,602.95, September Receipts \$9,346.91, Outstanding Checks as of 9/30/2021 \$17,787.95, Bank Balance as of 9/30/2021 \$303,555.98/Estimated October Receipts \$15,400.00/Estimated October Expenses \$80,624.00 (Griffen Const. \$55,286.50)  
CD's renewing at current advertised rates

Motion by Ruberg 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ebner, Carried.

**PLANNING/ZONING:** Pettit: New Permits/Inquiries/Updates:

**New Permits:**

- #1478-Bee Xoing-40'x64'x12 Pole Shed-Aspen Rd
- #1480-David & Marnie Brown-House Remodel Inside/New Roof-Sherwood St

**Permit Status / Projects in Process / Inquiries**

- Pettit reported Brian Krambeer will be getting a permit to demolish an old house and Jonathan Peterson will be getting a permit to put up a fence at his State Highway 16 property

**ROADS/WATER/SEWER:**

**•Roads/Utilities Update-Chiglo:**

- Miner reported she had contacted Derek Olinger-Bolton & Menk, regarding crack sealing Cooperative Way Road. After researching, Olinger found conflicting information if crack sealing is effective on concrete, he will look into it further. Olinger had looked at Cooperative Way recently and feels it is in good shape and probably will not need maintenance for a few years but to keep an eye on it.

**OTHER:**

**•Rushford Fire Department Mill Rate Meeting-October 18 at 6:00 pm:**

- This is a contract year. CRV October 5th meeting will be continued to October 18th Fire Dept. Mill Rate Meeting at the Rushford Fire Department Hall.

**•Water/Sewer Assistance Program-SEMCAC:**

- CRV received information from SEMCAC about a water and wastewater payment assistance program available to CRV residents in the CRV water and sewer district starting October 1, 2021
- A link would be provided for residents to apply. Residents would send an application to SEMCAC and SEMCAC would determine if they qualify for assistance.
- Letters would be sent with the November utility bills to the residents in the water and sewer district informing them of the assistance program
- Residents behind on utility payments are sent a notice with the billing which includes the water shut off date
- Delinquent utilities are to be sent to the Fillmore County Auditor by November 24<sup>th</sup> to be put on the tax rolls for collection, this process will remain the same.

**Motion** made to participate in the program

Motion by Hart 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ebner, Carried.

**OTHER UPDATES/ MEETING:**

- October 6-8-Miner on vacation
- October 13-MMUA Meeting-1:00 pm-Plainview
- October 18-Fire Department Mill Rate Meeting-6:00 pm at the Fire Hall
- November 2-Council Meeting Canceled

- November 2-Rushford-Peterson Special Election-5:00 pm-8:00 pm at CRV Community Center
- December 7-TNT Hearing-7:30 pm-CRV Office

**Next Meetings-Council:** October 19 & November 16, 2021, 7:00 pm at CRV Office

**Zoning:** October 19, 2021, 5:30 pm at CRV Office

**MOTION to Continue Regular Council Meeting to Rushford Fire Dept Mill Rate Meeting, Monday, October 18, 2021 at 6:00 pm,** made by Hart, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ebner at 7:15 pm

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**The October 18, 2021 Rushford Fire Department Mill Rate meeting** was called to order by Chief Chad Rasmussen at 7:00 pm at the Rushford Fire Hall.

**CRV Council Members Present:** Mayor Dennis Overland, Council Members Mike Ebner and Rick Ruberg; City Clerk Mary Miner

**Absent:** Robert Hart and Roger Knutson

- Chief Rasmussen provided handouts and reviewed the financials
- Mill Rate Fund #615 had a 2019 ending balance of \$387,677.90 with revenues of \$80,690.37 and expenses of \$16,166.76 bringing the 2020 year end balance to \$452,201.51
- Chief Rasmussen stated he feels the department is in good shape in regards to equipment and did not feel the mill rate percentage needed to be increased at this time but felt reducing it would not be a good idea either so it was left at .0165 for 2022-2023.
- Chief Rasmussen stated the next equipment purchase the department has discussed are air bags to lift cars/tractors off people. They look for good used equipment. Estimated cost is \$12,000-\$15,000.

Proposed contract amount to stay at .0165%. for 2022-2023. This will increase dollar amounts due to increased land values.

**Motion** made to continue with the current rate of .0165%

**Motion by** Kim Chiglo, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dwayne Ostrem, Carried

Rushford Village portion is \$20,857.07 for 2022 & 2023 which is an increase of \$1,573.90 for each year

Next Mill Rate meeting date was not set but will be around the same time next year

**Motion to adjourn the Mill Rate Meeting** Steve Highum 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis Overland at 7:10 p.m.

**Motion** made to approve the CRV portion of the mill rate contract amount for 2022-2023 in the amount of \$20,857.07 per year

**Motion by** Ebner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ruberg, Carried

**Motion to adjourn the Continued October 5, 2021 CRV Council meeting** by Ebner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ruberg at 7:12 p.m.