

President Suerdieck called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Trustee Carver, Trustee Eandi, Trustee Hendrickson, Trustee Kindred, Trustee Munroe, President Suerdieck, Clerk Gerberding, Attorney Schuering

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING ON October 15, 2024.

Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve the minutes for October 15, 2024. Trustee Carver seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING ON October 28, 2024.

Trustee Carver made a motion to approve the minutes for October 28, 2024. Trustee Kindred seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND BILLS

Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve the financial statements and bills. Trustee Hendrickson seconded the motion.

Roll call vote was taken:

Trustee Carver – yes	Trustee Eandi – yes	Trustee Hendrickson – yes
Trustee Kindred – yes	Trustee Munroe – yes	

Motion passed with 5 yes votes and 0 no votes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

- **Certification and Oath of Office for Remainder of Unexpected Term of Trustee – Kevin Forestier** – President Suerdieck swore in Kevin Forestier before the audience. New Trustee Forestier took the oath and was seated at the front table with the Village Board.
- **Arbor Day Proclamation** – President Suerdieck read the proclamation into record. Molly Godar, Chairman of Arbor Committee, was present to introduce the group in attendance tonight. Mrs. Godar spoke about the value of having students involved along the way in all steps of the process. David Hicks was also present and has been involved for several years with the Village and its Parks. Trustee Hendrickson explained that this proclamation is part of the Village’s Tree City USA application process. Saturday, Nov. 16th, will be a work and education day at the Village Park regarding trees. Pictures were taken of the Arbor Committee members present. Mr. Hicks stated that Trustee Hendrickson has been a driving force behind all this work and applause followed.
- **Introduction and Swearing-In of New Part-Time Police Officer – Drake Manser** – President Suerdieck swore in Office Manser to the Rochester Police Department.
- **Life Saving Award Presentation to Officer Todd** – Chief Sommer presented Officer Todd with the Silver leaf Award. Officer Todd conducted CPR while instructing family how to set up the AED machine. The Rochester Citizen in distress was taken to the hospital and fully resuscitated.

PUBLIC FORUM

N/A

REPORTS

Chief of Police – Tim Sommer

See attached report – highlights below.

- Officer Manser will start field training next week.
- Of the burglaries of vehicles, nothing of significant value was taken. All the vehicles were left unlocked.
- The new squad truck has been moved into the shop to have all its equipment installed.

Public Works Superintendent – James Foster

See attached report – highlights below.

- Road Closure – the closure that was supposed to happen did not due to weather conditions. The road will close this weekend instead. Supt. Foster will do it under “emergency needs.”

- B. Vandeventer was here to check lift pumps. They found an issue, but no written report has been returned yet.
- C. New electric lines have been installed at the park.
- D. The new parking lot and paint are completed. The bill has not been submitted yet.
- E. Bench maintenance on the bike trail – The Village stops at the Lost Bridge, so a Rochester resident will work on improvement on all the benches between Springfield and Rochester.
- F. Supt. Foster attended Springfield Area Home Builders Association – a new state Building Code is coming, but no significant detail has been shared yet.
- G. Trustee Hendrickson asked what it would take to open the burn pile this Saturday as part of Arbor Day. Supt. Foster stated that it is officially closed per policy. However, if the board would like it to be opened that day, that can be arranged. Consensus was that would be a good idea. Public Works and the Police department will work through getting it open and closed. Mitch McDevitt is available and can be present to help from the Public Works side. Discussion followed around whether the policy should be changed from the end of October to the end of November.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinances: N/A **Resolutions:** N/A **Motions:** N/A

Executive Session – Section 2(c)11

Trustee Munroe made a motion to go into Executive Session. Trustee Eandi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously at 7:31.

Roll Call was taken:

Trustee Carver - yes Trustee Eandi – yes Trustee Forestier - yes
 Trustee Hendrickson – yes Trustee Kindred - yes Trustee Munroe - yes

Trustee Munroe made a motion to go reopen the general board meeting. Trustee Eandi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously at 8:55.

Members Present: Trustee Carver, Trustee Eandi, Trustee Forestier, Trustee Hendrickson, Trustee Kindred, Trustee Munroe, President Suerdieck, Clerk Gerberding, Attorney Schuering

Trustee Munroe made a motion to instruct Atty Schuering to approach Henry’s on Main to continue defending the case and open a dialogue regarding settlement. Trustee Hendrickson seconded the motion.

Roll Call was taken:

Trustee Carver - yes Trustee Eandi – yes Trustee Forestier - yes
 Trustee Hendrickson – yes Trustee Kindred - yes Trustee Munroe - yes

The motion passed with 6 yes votes and 0 no votes.

UPCOMING DATES:

Upcoming Dates to Remember: (some meetings are tentative and could change, but will have the proper 48 hours posting notice)

Tuesday, November 19, 2024 Planning & Zoning Meeting @ 7 pm
 Monday, November 25, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting @ 7 pm
 Thursday, November 28, 2024 Office Closed in Observance of Thanksgiving
 Friday, November 29, 2024 Office Closed in Observance of Thanksgiving
 Monday, December 9, 2024 Village Board Meeting @ 7 pm

Motion to Adjourn

Trustee Eandi made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Munroe seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously at 8:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Gerberding
 Village Clerk