MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 12, 2024 FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: In the absence of Chair Troha, President Peterson called the Finance Committee Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: President Peterson, Trustees Aarud, Dammen, Laatz and Risseeuw. Trustee Barbour and Chair Troha were absent. Also present: Administrator Risse, Clerk/Treasurer Franseen, Chief Schultz, Library Director Langer and Fire District President Wellnitz.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Trustee Laatz moved to approve Finance minutes from September 24, 2024; Trustee Aarud seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

FIRE DISTRICT 2025 BUDGET: Franseen explained that the Fire District has decided not to enter WRS in 2025. So the first cut of their budget is the budget we need action on. Discussion was about the $2,150 for "trustee salaries". This was in 2023 budget but not paid. It is also in 2024 budget; so far it has not been paid. Wellnitz explained that this is for their 3 officers. The officers decided not to accept payment. Franseen explained that it should be removed from the 2025 budget. Kucy said to leave it in and they'll take payment in 2025. Franseen explained that it has to be done through payroll. Trustee Laatz moved to approve the Fire District 2025 budget; Trustee Dammen seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

VILLAGE'S 2025 BUDGET: Franseen had new pages for revenue section, expenditure section and Police Department wages/benefits. She explained the changes for each section. Administrator Risse and I worked hard to get the budget to balance. The 2026 budget will be more difficult as we used $85,323 from LGIP accounts. And in 2026 Sewer Utility will make their last payment to village; this will be a half payment of $47,519. Trustee Risseeuw moved to recommend the 2025 budget to the Village Board; Trustee Laatz seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT: Trustee Dammen moved to adjourn at 6:33 p.m., Trustee Laatz seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Pam Franseen, Clerk/Treasurer