

The Voice of the Village

Hilbert, WI

October 2021

From the Village Board – Highlights from the Regular Board Meeting:

The Village Board approved the following:

- Operator's license to Jessica Schultz.
- To set the public hearing date for the 2022 Proposed Budget for Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at 7 p.m.
- The 2022 compensation package for the Village employees.
- The 2022 compensation package for the Fire Department.
- The First Responder contracts amounts for 2022.
- The Fire contracts amounts for 2022.
- The Change Order in the amount of \$32,700 for the Bel Brands Project due to additional asbestos that was found in between the walls.
- Payment Request #2 in the amount of \$201,491 to MRD Group, Inc. and an additional \$24,995.40 for invoices due for the Bel Brands Project. Also, permission to submit the grant reimbursement request.
- Resolution 2021-08 Adopting the Ward Plan for the Village of Hilbert.
- Ordinance 2021-03 Amending Chapter 1.12 Village Wards.
- The request by the Hilbert School District to hold a bonfire as part of the Homecoming activities.
- To hire Tom Konen as an additional crossing guard.
- The purchasing of a large quantity of garbage bags to be used for the new cans at the park.
- To allow park renters to use the dumpster on site for disposing garbage.
- To increase the park rental fee to \$75 for private groups and \$150 for large group events; effective immediately for all new rentals.
- To give permission for the Athletic Association to complete projects at the ballfields at no cost to the Village.
- To take down a tree in the park that is a safety issue in the amount not to exceed \$600.
- To give permission to the Fire Department to make electrical updates at Railroad Park at no cost to the Village.
- To exclude 16.5 acres from the land that will be rented to Holsum Dairy due to Phase II of the Village Meadows subdivision.

The Village received notice of the following:

- The Notice of the Revised Estimated 2nd Installment of Shared Revenue for 2021 in the amount of \$333,107.69.
- The Notice of the Estimated Shared Revenue for 2022 in the amount of \$403,109.34.
- The Notice of receipt of the quarterly street aid payment in the amount of \$15,048.61.
- The Notice of the Estimated Street Aid for 2022 in the amount of \$69,223.61; which is an increase of approximately \$8,000 compared to last year.
- The Notice of Estimated Video Service Provider Aid for 2022 in the amount of \$2,306.83.

2022 Budget

DuPrey presented the proposed 2022 budget for all funds to the Board. He explained the various factors that came into play with the proposed budget. As proposed the Village would need \$83,275 from Fund Balance to meet all requests within the budget. This was discussed at length. DuPrey presented a listing of potential cuts where a little would be taken from each department to help reduce this amount. These cuts suggested, along with American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) grant, would actually bring the amount needed from Fund Balance to \$0.00; which is the goal of the Board to achieve every year. The proposed budget, with the benefit of the termination of TID District #1 has allowed for an *estimated* decrease in the tax rate of \$.63 per \$1,000 valuation. At this time, we do not have the other taxing district levies so it is uncertain where the final tax rate will fall at this time. If you would like a copy of the proposed budget please stop in at the Village Clerk's Office.

Leaf Pick-Up

Leaf pick-up will begin on Monday, October 18, 2021. If you would like to have your leaf piles picked up, please have them on your terrace by your driveway. You do not need to call to request that they get collected. Our public works employees will drive around the Village and collect them as time permits.

Trick-or-Treating and Halloween Party

Trick-or-Treating will be on Sunday, October 31, 2021 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Village. Following the trick-or-treating the Hilbert Revitalization Group will host a traditional Halloween Party from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Hilbert Community Center on 5th Street. It will include a costume contest for the various age groups, food, refreshments, caramel apple making, cookie decorating and crafts! This is a community event for Hilbert residents and for children and families attending public and private schools in the Hilbert School District. Admission is \$1 per person and will be donated to the Salvation Army.

Fochs Trails Subdivision – 2nd Addition

Fochs Trails Subdivision on the east side of the Village is expanding! Twelve additional residential lots have been added and are available for sale. If you're looking to build a new home, these lots are a great option to consider. If you are interested in purchasing one of these lots or would like additional information, please contact Chris Bratz with Century 21 Ace Realty at (920)418-3985.

<u>Public Hearing on Proposed 2022 Budgets</u>: Tuesday, November 16, 2021 @ 7 p.m. at the Village Hall

<u>Next Regular Board Meeting</u>: Tuesday, November 16, 2021 @ 7 p.m. immediately following the Public Hearing.

<u>Village of Hilbert Website: www.villageofhilbert.com</u>

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The November Board Meeting will be one week later than usual – it will be held on Tuesday, November 16, 2021.