

**VILLAGE OF TURTLE LAKE  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES\*  
DECEMBER 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Village President Laurie Tarman called to order a special meeting of the Turtle Lake Board of Trustees at 5:34p.m. on Monday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

**ROLL CALL: PRESENT:** Tarman, Braastad, Itzin, Becker, Koenig and Morton. Absent: Hall, excused absence. Others present were Clerk Danielle Maxwell-Parker.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION:** It was moved by Becker and seconded by Morton to enter into Executive/Closed Session as allowable under Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(c) and 19.85(f) at 5:35 p.m.

**Roll call vote:** Yeas – all present. Nays – None. Motion carried.

Clerk Maxwell-Parker exited the meeting. The following items were discussed in Executive/Closed Session: Consideration of issues related to a Village staff member.

It was moved by Koenig and seconded by Becker to exit Executive/Closed Session as allowable under Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(c) and 19.85(f) at 6:09 p.m.

**Roll call vote:** Yeas – all present. Nays – None. Motion carried.

Clerk Maxwell-Parker returned to the meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Budget Amendment to 2011 Budget Detail** – President Tarman and Maxwell-Parker described the budgeting process and decision to pay off loans and refinance remaining debt. Maxwell-Parker continued to explain that the reduction in annual debt service was too significant to continue qualification for State funds in the Expenditure Restraint Program. The difference was 0.2%. It was determined that increasing debt service by \$7,000 would ensure qualification of this program into 2011. The contingency fund was budgeted at \$32,000 and it was felt that reducing it to \$25,000 would not adversely affect the Village.

It was moved by Koenig and seconded by Morton to approve the 2011 Budget Amendment of \$7,000 from the Contingency Fund, reducing it from \$32,000 to \$25,000, to Debt Service and increasing the 2005 Biermann Note from \$48,500 to \$55,500.

**Consideration to Permit Trustee to Participate via Speaker Phone** – Tarman explained that Clerk Maxwell-Parker spoke with the Wisconsin League of Municipalities regarding Trustee Ray Hall's absence and the possibility of him participating in Village Board proceedings via speaker phone. Tarman stated that Hall has been receiving Board packets and that she had conferred with the Labor Attorney regarding this issue and he stated that the Board should use their discretion in regards to closed/executive sessions.

It was moved by Koenig and seconded by Itzin to waive any requirement of physical presence that may be included in Village Ordinance 2-2-17(c) and to approve Trustee Hall to participate in meetings via speaker phone.

**Roll call vote:** Yeas – all present. Nays – None. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

It was moved by Becker and seconded by Tarman to adjourn this meeting of the Turtle Lake Board of Trustees at 6:25 p.m.

**Roll call vote:** Yeas – all present. Nays – None. Motion carried.

Prepared by:  
Danielle E. Maxwell-Parker  
Village Clerk

\* These minutes have not yet been approved by the Village Board; they will go before the Board at the next Regular Village Board meeting.