

**Village of Rockland
Special Meeting
December 27, 2022**

Board Members Present: President Jon Hohlfeld, Trustee Ole Mathison, Trustee Derek Millin, Trustee Randy Rowell, Trustee Bob Rueckheim, Trustee Corey Wilson

Absent:, Trustee Bob Nielsen

Support Staff Present: Clerk/Treasurer Stephanie Rowell
Public Works Employee Isaac Bauer
Public Works Employee Skylar Holzhausen

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. with President Jon Hohlfeld presiding.

VOUCHERS: The general fund vouchers were reviewed. Ole Mathison motioned and Derek Millin seconded to approve payment of checks #12957- #12965 in the amount of \$1356.04 from the general fund. Motion carried. The utility fund vouchers were reviewed. Ole Mathison motioned and Bob Rueckheim seconded to approve payment of checks #5218- #5219 in the amount of \$1407.80 from the utility fund. Motion carried.

2023 BUDGET: The 2023 budget was reviewed and a new line item was added for Police Services with the recent contract between the village and La Crosse County for additional law enforcement services. Ole Mathison motioned and Bob Rueckheim seconded to adopt the 2023 budget with a tax levy of \$138,930. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION: Ole Mathison motioned and Randy Rowell seconded to adjourn the meeting to closed session pursuant to Wisc. State Statute 19.85 (1)(c) regarding employee evaluations. Meeting adjourned to closed session at 6:05 p.m.

Meeting reconvened into open session at 6:55 p.m.

Ole Mathison motioned and Derek Millin seconded to approve a \$3.25 per hour wage increase for Skylar Holzhausen beginning January 1, 2023. Skylar has completed his wastewater certifications. After Skylar completes his water certification tests he will get a \$.50 per hour wage increase. Motion carried.

Bob Rueckheim motioned and Ole Mathison seconded to approve a \$.50 per hour wage increase for Isaac Bauer when he completes his 2 remaining tests for his wastewater certification. Motion carried.

Corey Wilson motioned and Ole Mathison seconded to approve a \$1.00 per hour wage increase for Stephanie Rowell beginning January 1, 2023. Motion carried. Randy Rowell abstained from voting.

Discussion was held regarding adding a part-time position. Ole Mathison motioned and Corey Wilson seconded approving a part-time position with a minimum of 20 hours per week to assist the Clerk/Treasurer. More discussion and a job description will be discussed in January. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Bob Rueckheim motioned and Randy Rowell seconded to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Rowell
Village Clerk

