

**Village of Rudolph
Minutes of April 8th, 2025**

Board Members Present:	Trustee Erin Whipple	Trustee Christy Steinle
	Trustee Rich Larsen	Clerk Kristina Rebarchek
	Trustee Darren Reid	Treasurer Joanna Mack

Excused: President Kevin Whipple

Meeting called to order by Trustee Whipple at 6:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Steinle moved to approve March minutes as typed, seconded by Trustee Larsen; carried unanimously.

Reading of the Bills by Treasurer Joanna Mack. Trustee Steinle commented \$1,140.00 for the Christmas lights; this was the amount to replace two Christmas lights that the trucking company broke, we are still working on getting reimbursed for these. Trustee Steinle made a motion to accept bills as typed, seconded by Trustee Larsen; carried unanimously.

Public Comments/Concerns:

- Trustee Whipple is named pro tem for President Whipple, she will fill in in his absence. Motion made for Erin Whipple as pro tem President made by Trustee Steinle, seconded by Trustee Larsen; carried unanimously.
- Thank you Barb for all of the years you put in-your knowledge and commitment to the Board has been beyond grateful! Cake and refreshments to follow tonight's meeting.
- Sold equipment-back blade and sickle-that we had listed for about \$800.

Old Business:

- Cheese factory building permit-Trustee Whipple received a check and she will check to make sure we have everything else needed from them.
- Fischer garbage follow up-It does look like the garbage was emptied but is almost full again.

New Business:

- Acceptance/verification of Election-Welcome Darren Reid to the Village Board of Rudolph.
- Installation of winning candidates

- Purple Heart Ceremony-Thursday, May 22nd at 5pm in the Welcome Center; Dignitaries from The Legion will be presenting the purple heart for the Village. Trustee Steinle will assign the board members with what to bring as the date gets closer.
- Scrap metal pick up-This will be skipped this year, last year there was barely anything in the dumpster. Scrap metal pick up will now be scheduled every other year-every even year (2026, 2028 etc.)
- Potholes/Road Estimates-County came around and looked at the majority of our potholes-the total to have EVERYTHING fixed is \$89,600. We had it broken down into different areas and only one project falls into the 50/50 program which is the Hillcrest Ave; \$29,500 (we pay half county pays half). *Hillcrest project: Starting at the curb line of Hillcrest Ave and CTH C going South approx 330'. Replace culvert at Hillcrest and 1st St S, add 2 inches base, pulverize, pave and shoulder. Add 2 inches of gravel, pulverize, fine grade, pave at 1.75inches asphalt and shoulder.* Treasurer Mack suggested the Village would be okay spending about \$40,000. With the consideration of our budget the next two projects that take priority would consist of 1st St North paver patch for \$3500.00 and 1st St and Wagner for \$8500.00. *1st St North paver patch: pave and shoulder. 1st St and Wagner: Replace culvert, tie into existing basin, add end wall and repave.* All of the culverts they are putting in will be plastic with flared ends. A question was asked, is there anything else you can throw in the potholes to make them smoother?-cold base we buy from the county or go to menards and get our own base for right now. Trustee Steinle made a motion to have the county do the Hillcrest project for \$29,500-half of which we will pay for, 1st St N and paver patch \$3500 and 1st St and Wagner \$8500, seconded Trustee Larsen; carried unanimously.
- Street Sweeping-Whirlwind \$1,150 for 2024. \$1,300 for 2025. Lars Larsen has a street sweeper and would beat the price. Motion made by Trustee Reid to approve Lars Larsen for street sweeping, seconded by Trustee Larsen; carried unanimously.
- Ashbeck Interiors Liquor license-Ashbeck Interiors will be opening again and Justin would like to sell bottles of wine for consumption off premises, Class A liquor license (\$25 fee as the fee will be \$100 in June 2025 when renewals are due). Trustee Steinle made a motion to accept and approve Ashbeck Interior liquor license, seconded by Trustee Larsen; carried unanimously.
- Pedestrian crosswalk by cheese factory-Want to know if we can put a crosswalk on the street, from the parking lot to the cheese factory for the workers to safely cross. With all of the milk trucks coming in would it make sense to extend that yellow curb for no parking for the safety of all the vehicles that currently park there along with the pedestrians? Yes. Brandon from Arrow Precision quoted us

\$1000. Trustee Larsen made a motion to have Brandon from Arrow Precision paint the crosswalk from the parking lot to the cheese factory, to paint the curb yellow and to install a “No Parking from here to corner” sign, seconded by Trustee Steinle; carried unanimously.

- Smell from cheese factory sewer-There is a company working with the factory on putting an odor eliminator in (midwest chemical) they said within the month that should be done.
- Farm animal ordinance (ie horses, etc)-Someone in the Village could have animals as long as they are animals meant to be eaten-so a horse would not qualify under that. We have decided to not make any changes to this current ordinance.
- Airbnb/VRBO ordinance-At this time there will be no ordinance in place regarding Airbnb/VRBO within the Village. If this were to become a popular trend it will be revisited.
- Microsoft Office-Treasurer Joanna Mack has an outdated version of Microsoft Office and would like to update her version. Clerk Rebarchek has taken over the sewer billing and newsletter, right now she is converting all files to Google Docs and it has not been an easy process so she is looking to purchase Microsoft Office for her Village laptop to then keep all documents in Word format and be able to create invoices for the next cycle. Barb Ziebell made a comment that Xcel is necessary for Kristina to continue. Motion made by Trustee Steinle that Kristina and Joanna both purchase Microsoft Office for what they need-\$150 for Joanna and \$250 for Kristina-seconded by Trustee Larsen; carried unanimously.
- Noxious Weeds-Every person in the Village of Rudolph shall destroy all noxious weeds on all lands in the Village which he shall own. Noxious weeds include: Canada thistle, leafy spurge and field bindweed (creeping Jenny), giant ragweed, common ragweed and poison ivy. This will be posted within the Village and refers to ordinance 6-1-6 which will also be posted by the Tank on Main Street and at the Village Hall.

Agenda requests

- Bob Bradach-Fireworks permit
- Parsnips-ordinance amendment

Trustee Steinle made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:35pm , seconded by Trustee Larsen; carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kristina Rebarchek, Village Clerk

