Melrose-Mindoro School District
Board of Education
Regular Meeting Agenda
Monday, December 18, 2023 - 6:15 p.m.
Administrative Office

CONVENE
Call meeting to order
Pledge of Allegiance
Public Notice
Approval of the Agenda
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR REPORT
CONNECTION WITH COMMUNITY
1. Correspondence
2. Public Comment
   Public Comment is governed by WASB Policy #187 and Wisconsin State Statute 19.8. Members of the public may request permission to speak on any item on the agenda for a maximum of three minutes. A form to speak to an agenda item is available by the entrance to the board room. The form must be filled out prior to the start of the meeting. The School Board will listen to the speaker but will not engage in a discussion at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS
1. Minutes from the previous month's Regular Board Meeting
2. Finance Report
   a. Review of Expenditures and Receipts through November
   b. Approve Necessary Budget Changes
   c. Act on Check Summary and Vouchers
   d. Cash Flow Report
   e. Activity Account Review
3. Personnel Report
   a. Resignations
   b. Hired Staff
   c. Retirement

ADJOURNMENT
This meeting is a public meeting of the Board of Education for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public hearing. There may be a time for public comment during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.

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School District of Black River Falls
Black River Falls, Wisconsin 54615
Board of Education Meeting Agenda
December 18, 2023
6:00 p.m.
District Office
301 North 4th Street

The Board will convene in Open Session at approximately 6:00 p.m. for the regular monthly meeting. The Board operates under Robert's Rules of Order for Small Assembly.

Our VISION: In the School District of Black River Falls we create an individualized path to future success for every student through the consistent practices of dedicated educators and meaningful partnerships with families and our community.

The meeting will be livestreamed via the School District YouTube channel. You may click this link to view it: https://www.youtube.com/user/SDofBRF/live, or you may go to www.brf.org and open the tab labeled Live Streaming/Live Stream Board Meetings.

01. Call to Order
02. Pledge of Allegiance
03. Roll Call: Mary Jo Rozmenoski _____, Mary Jo Radcliffe ___, Tom Epps ____, Jenette Simonson_____, Nick Helstad _____, Iftikhar Memon____, Brad Dobbs _____
04. Verification of Public Notice
05. Community Engagement:
    Parents, students and the community are effectively engaged in the educational process and feel connected and proud to be a part of the School District of Black River Falls.
    5.1 Gifts/Grants
    5.2 WASB Resolutions & Delegate
    5.3 Threats of School Violence Drills
    5.4 Board Self Evaluation
    5.5 Public Comment
06. Our People:
    We have a reputation of excellence that helps attract and retain highly qualified staff. We value and appreciate employees who apply their skills and experience to meeting our high expectations and fulfilling our district's vision
    6.1 Focus on Purpose
    6.2 Employment Recommendations
07. Student Success:
    All students will increase their achievement and attain annual personal growth goals in order to reach their highest potential.
    7.1 New Course Proposals
    7.2 Attendance Data Share
    7.3 Student Success Report
08. Finance & Facilities
    We ensure efficient, innovative, and effective use of District resources to promote collaboration and inspire excellence in teaching and learning.
    8.1 Monthly Expenditures
    8.2 School Safety and Emergency Operations Plan
    8.3 Policy Committee Board Report
    8.3.1 First Reading of Policies: 443.7 Student Use of Laser Light Devices, 420.1 Student Withdrawal and Dismissal, 443.3 Student Use of Tobacco and Related Products, 771 Use of Copyrighted Materials, 173 Closed Sessions
09. Reports
    9.1 Meeting Minutes
    9.2 District Administrators Report
    9.3 WASB/Other
    9.4 Conference/Workshop Attendance
    9.5 School Board Connection Opportunities
10. Future Agenda Item Identification
11. Adjournment

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, JACKSON COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TIMOTHY JOSEPH GRONSKI
04-19-1953

Notice to Creditors (Informal Administration)
Case No. 23PR53

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 04/19/1953 and date of death 11/01/2023, was domiciled in Jackson County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of W7714 Squirrel Road, Hixton, WI 54635.
3. All interested persons waived notice.
4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is MARCH 1, 2024.
5. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main St, Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room C207.

/s/ Elizabeth E. Storlie
Probrate Registrar
November 17, 2023
Atty. Mark Radcliffe
107 Main St.
Black River Falls, WI 54615
715-284-1234
Bar Number: 1033727

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STATE OF WISCONSIN, CIRCUIT COURT, JACKSON COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JUSTIN PAUL BROWN
09-30-1977

Notice Setting Time to Hear Application and Deadline for Filing Claims (Informal Administration)
Case No. 23PR54

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

1. An application for informal administration was filed.
2. The decedent, with date of birth 09-30-1977 and date of death 10-12-2023 was domiciled in JACKSON County, State of WISCONSIN, with a mailing address of 210 N. 5TH STREET, BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI 54615.
3. The application will be heard at the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main St, Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room Explorer Conference Room, before Elizabeth Storlie, Probate Registrar, on January 5, 2024 at 3:00 PM.

You do not need to appear unless you object. The application may be granted if there is no objection.

4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is MARCH 1, 2024.
5. A claim may be filed at the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main St, Black River Falls, Wisconsin, Room C207.
6. This publication is notice to any persons whose names or address are unknown.

The names or addresses of the following interested persons are not known or reasonable ascertainable: ALEXIA G. BROWN

If you require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to participate in the court process, please call 715-284-0208 prior to the scheduled court date. Please note that the court does not provide transportation.

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The Common Council met at City Hall in the City of Black River Falls on December 5, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. Alderpersons Olson, Dougherty, and Gearing-Lancaster were present. Alderpersons Brown, Ammann, M. Rave, and E. Rave attended remotely via Zoom meetings. Alderperson Wussow was excused. Mayor J. Eddy presided.

It was moved by Alderperson Brown, seconded by Alderperson M. Rave, to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the November 15, 2023 Special Common Council meeting and approve as presented. Motion carried.

CITIZENS IN ATTENDANCE

There were no citizens in attendance.

There were no updates from County officials on the County Jail / Justice Center project. The City Administrator advised city and municipal utilities staff attended an initial meeting with the County's consultant to discuss utilities under and around North Third Street.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

It was moved by Alderperson Olson, seconded by Alderperson Ammann, to place on file the minutes of the November 27, 2023 Utility Commission meeting. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderperson M. Rave, seconded by Alderperson Gearing-Lancaster, to place on file the minutes of the November 29, 2023 Plan Commission meeting. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderperson Ammann, seconded by Alderperson Dougherty, to approve the Certified Survey Map submitted by Ethan Remus on behalf of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church for land on West Jefferson Street. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderperson Dougherty, seconded by Alderperson Gearing-Lancaster, to approve the application for payment #3 - FINAL from Visu-Sewer for sanitary sewer rehabilitation in TID #8 in the amount of $6,841.45. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderperson Olson, seconded by Alderperson Dougherty, to approve the application for renewal of Pawnbroker License submitted by Nick's Pawn located at 26 N. Water Street. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderperson Dougherty, seconded by Alderperson Gearing-Lancaster, to approve the Medical Director Agreement between Black River Memorial Hospital and Black River Falls Emergency Medical Service. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderperson Ammann, seconded by Alderperson E. Rave, to approve the appointment of election inspectors (poll workers) January 1, 2024 – December 32, 2025 as presented. Motion carried.

There was lengthy discussion on the local share for the shared-ride taxi service which included: cost of the service has been steadily increasing over the past ten years and has really escalated the past three years, total cost of the service in 2024 will be $477,448 with estimated revenues of $90,000, don't expect revenues to increase much if at all, federal and state grants will cover 54.7% of the deficit in 2024, leaving the local share at an estimated $126,283.94, took significant step approving a levy of $85,000 in 2024 budget up from $50,000 in 2023, still estimated $41,000 shortfall that will need to come out of reserves, total cost of the contract to provide the service increases 4%-7% annually based on the consumer price index (CPI), two out of every three years we also have a local share for vehicle replacement which comes in at $16-20,000 on top of the operating deficit, this size of an annual operating deficit is not sustainable, city tax payers are subsidizing the service. This is not a mandatory service like police, fire and EMS, it is a valuable service for people to get to medical care, get to work, and get to the grocery store, when the service shut down for three months December 2022 to March 2023 only received one call so people found alternate transportation whether that was temporary or not, when the service shut down again recently due to communication system failures there were numerous calls as it was unexpected, options would include discontinuing the service or reach out to Jackson County to see if a countywide taxi service would be feasible, this type of system would also address the transportation issues that have been highlighted in the current and past county health needs assessments and spread cost of service over all municipalities in the county, right now we are the only municipality in the county offering a transportation service, a mini bus could be on a schedule, the Ho-Chunk Nation already has some infrastructure with bus stops in place that could help facilitate that, anyone can operate a taxi service in the city, our current contract is a 2 year contract through December 2024 with three option years to follow, now is the time to figure out what we want to do in 2025, we don't want to stop the service abruptly, any changes would require a public hearing, we could have the hearing, if the decision is made to close the service we could communicate that and continue to operate and give people time to find alternatives as we did last December, the 2024 levy amount could cover the cost to operate the service for an abbreviated year if it comes to that, we are not doing this to get rid of the service but rather find a more efficient method of providing the service, this will come back and we will have more discussion.

It was moved by Alderperson Olson, seconded by Alderperson Dougherty, to adjourn. Motion carried at 6:49 pm.

A. Brad Chown
City Administrator

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
JACKSON COUNTY ZONING DEPARTMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held in the Jackson County Courthouse, 307 Main Street, Black River Falls, Wisconsin on December 18, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. on the following:

- **CONDITIONAL USE REQUEST #2023-51** as requested by Brent and Andrea Mikkelson, on property known as Lot 5 CSM 4096 located in the SE1/4-SW1/4, Section 36, T19N, R06W, Town of Melrose, Jackson County, WI. The request is to allow for the operation of a storage unit business in an A2 (Forestry and Limited Agriculture) District.
- **ZONE CHANGE PETITION #2023-52** as requested by Kenneth Vian, on property known as Lot 4 CSM 2351 located in the SE1/4-SE1/4, Section 26, T22N, R04W, Town of Adams, Jackson County, WI. The request is to change 2.26 acres of the R4(Residential-Manufactured Home) District to the R2 (Residential) District for the construction of a single-family home.
- **CONDITIONAL USE REQUEST #2023-53** as requested by Patrick Murphy, on property known as Lot 5 CSM 4073 PT Lot 4 CSM 3879 Pt Lot 2 CSM 2017 located in the SE1/4-NW1/4, Section 23, T21N, R04W, Town of Brockway, Jackson County, WI. The request is to allow for short-term rentals in the B1 (Central Business) District.
- **ZONE CHANGE PETITION #2023-54** as requested by Truss Property Mgt. on property located in the SW1/4-NW1/4, Section 28, T20N, R01W, Town of Knapp, Jackson County, WI. The request is to change 5 acres of the A2(Forestry and Limited Agriculture) District to the R2 (Residential) District for the construction of a shed house.
- **CONDITIONAL USE REQUEST #2023-55** as requested by Scott & Michelle Hauser, on property known as Lot 15 CSM 4114 located in the NE1/4-NW1/4, Section 03, T22N, R03W, Town of Adams, Jackson County, WI. The request is to allow for a short-term rental in the R1 (Residential) District.
- **CONDITIONAL USE REQUEST #2023-56** as requested by Eric & Kimberly Lofgren, on properties located in the SE1/4-SE1/4, Section 08, T21N, R06W; NE1/4-SE1/4, Section 08, T21N, R06W; NW1/4-SE1/4, Section 08, T21N, R06W, Town of Springfield, Jackson County, WI. The request is to allow for the operation of a business in the A2 (Forestry and Limited Agriculture) District and the M2(Industrial Extractive)District.

The petitioner or their agent must attend the County's Public Hearing.

Jackson County Zoning Department
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Black River Falls WI 54615
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This public hearing is being held so that the Committee may hear those persons who have an interest in the proposed changes, and they will consider all input presented which will aid in their decision-making process. The decision of the Committee to either grant, conditionally grant or to deny any conditional use or subdivision request will be finalized at this public hearing. The Committee, following the public hearing, will make a recommendation to the full County Board for their final decision to either grant, conditionally grant, or to deny any proposed zone changes. Should you desire more information regarding the proposals, please call or visit the Jackson County Zoning Department, Telephone Number (715) 284-0220.

A Notice of this Petition will be forwarded to the Town Board. The Town officials will discuss this request and return a "TOWNSHIP POSITION" form. Thus, the Petitioner SHOULD contact the Town Chairman to explain his/her proposal and answer their questions. An effort has also been made to notify adjoining landowners of the proposal/s, so that they may contact the Town Chairman for more information and/or voice their concerns. To ensure that those interested have been notified, please share this notice with your neighbors. CONTACT THE TOWN CLERK FOR TOWN MEETING DATE and TIME.

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