



Meeting: **Committee of the Whole**
Place: **106 S. Main St.**
Date: **Monday, August 24, 2015 @ 6:00pm**
Webpage: **www.poynette-wi.gov**

Minutes

1. Call to Order: 6:00 pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call: Present were Fiore, Boor, Kaschinske, Van Schoyck-Teeter, Marquardt, Avery. Absent was La'Tour. Staff present was Administrator Wilson, Deputy Clerk/Deputy Treasurer Brisky, Public Works Director Gorman, Police Chief White, and Village Attorney substitute Holly Wilson.
4. Approval of Agenda: Kaschinske/Boor motion to approve, 6-0 Motion Carried
5. Old Business
 - a. Ordinance No. 15-524: An Ordinance Amending Title II Your Services, Chapter 3 Public Streets and Sidewalks, Section 3.07 Planting, Removal, Trimming, and Maintenance of Trees: It was brought to the staff's attention at a previous meeting that this ordinance shall state that Public Works should be the ones to maintain the trees in the boulevard. The staff reworded the ordinance to say that Public Works is responsible for trimming anything in the boulevard. Marquardt mentioned that Pubic Works should also handle the removal of trees in the boulevard, as well. Boor questioned who's responsibility it is if the tree is planted on private property but hanging over the sidewalk and boulevard. The board agreed that the new definitions in the ordinance were good the way they were presented. The board would like to see the new writing to indicate whether or not the roots of a tree/shrub are on private property, if branches are hanging over the sidewalk/boulevard then Public Works may trim them. The board asked that this change be made and brought back.
6. New Business
 - a. Construction and Replacement of Sidewalks: This item was brought to the board's attention because there seemed to be some differences in how this issue has been handled in the past, depending on who the administrator was. Administrator Wilson wanted to get the opinions of the Board Members as to how they would like to handle situations where residents are asking to have their sidewalks replaced or fixed. The ordinance presented states that sidewalks in front of homes are the homeowner's responsibility. The board agreed that the ordinance in place now shall stay the way it is.
 - b. EMS Services: This item was asked by a board member to be brought for discussion. The EMS currently is a volunteer status and is having trouble finding volunteers to participate. Because of this, the EMS members are trying to get out in the community to recruit volunteers. The board is aware of this problem and is also aware that there may be a possibility, in the future, that the EMS will need to go to a paid position instead of volunteer. At this time, the board has decided to not act on this issue.
7. Adjournment at 6:35 pm. The board took a five minute break, and then moved to the Village Board meeting.