Chapter 31

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(a) <u>Authority</u>. This Ordinance is enacted pursuant to Section 66.62 of the Wisconsin Statutes, as may be amended or renumbered from time to time.

(b) Levy of Assessments. The cost of installing or constructing any public work or assessment shall be charged in whole or in part to the property benefitted thereby, and to make an assessment against such property in such manner as the Village Board determines. Such special assessment shall be a lien against the property from the date of the levy.

(c) <u>Procedure</u>. In levying a special assessment under this Section, the Village Board of Trustees shall first enact a resolution which, in general terms, describes the public work and delineates those parcels benefitted thereby. Such description shall include an estimate of the total costs of the project and an estimate of the costs to be levied against each benefitted parcel.

(d) <u>Hearing</u>. Public hearings shall be conducted by the Board of Trustees following notice as provided in Subsection (e) below.

(e) <u>Notice</u>. A copy of the resolution described in Subsection (c) above, together with a notice of the time and place of the public hearing described in Subsection (d) above, shall be served upon the owner, or an agent, of each lot or parcel of land which will be subject to the levy of a special assessment under this Ordinance. Service of the notice shall be made not less than ten (10) days prior to the hearing described in Subsection (d) above and may be made by:

(1) Personal delivery;

(2) Certified or registered mail; or

(3) Publication in the official newspaper as a Class 1 notice, under Chapter 985 of the Wisconsin Statutes, together with mailing by first class mail if the name and mailing address of the owner or an agent can be readily ascertained.