Town of Stockbridge

Town Board Minutes

7:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 9, 2019

APPROVED BY BOARD

Stockbridge Community Hall

Chairman Ken Schaefer called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. Present were Supervisors Mark Ecker, Dean Joas, Clerk Steve Phipps, Treasurer Ralph Schmid, Road Supervisor Jerry Ortlieb (JO). John Vandenboom and Judy Hartl were present.

Steve Phipps informed the meeting has been properly posted.

Dean J. moved and Mark E 2nd to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

John Vandenboom reported on the incorporation of the adhoc group is now called, "Calumet County Ag Stewardship Alliance," A grant application is pending and they are anticipating answer in mid to late October to do field days, water tests and manure application workshops. The group will start in areas that are more threatened areas. The group collaborates with a county agency and is seeking other partners to help the cause. They have \$5000.00 of starting money but await the grant results to set the scope of their projects. Judy Hartl talked about other parties that may be assisting in the town. John indicated that the group is using water test results to help steer to areas of concentration. This focus group is broader than the town as watersheds don't follow municipal boundaries per Judy Hartl. Dean and Mark discussed the impact of human waste vs. animal waste.

The fire department and 1st responder's budget was not discussed except as Dean J saying he received feedback from about 5 members on the fire department.

Steve reported the WEC is offering a grant to update the computer for upcoming elections and the board indicated it fine to apply for the grant.

Steve reported the issue of what a hearing vs a board meeting vs an elector meeting. Dean Joas reported on the presentation for the elector meeting and indicated different parts for everyone to present. Ralph had questions about the mil rate expressed in the presentation and said he would double check the numbers with Mike Schlaak.

Judy Hartl addressed the board about how much money the town received from the county.

Dean J moved and Mark E 2nd to approve the resolution for number of election workers to be determined by the clerk as has been past practice. Motion carried.

Steve communicated to the board recent communications received and offered to copy correspondences to any board member with an interest: NPO Litigation – regarding the opioid crisis, Winnebago county's amendment to Farmland Preservation Plan, and Calumet County's notice of revisions to the County's Zoning Ordinance.

Treasurer's Report Dean J 1st and Mark E. 2nd to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

Mark E. Moved Dean E. 2nd to approve the bills as presented to the board. Motion carried.

The next board meeting is November 13, 2019 at 7 PM.

Dean J. moved and 2nd by Mark E. to adjourn at 7:37 PM.

Agenda items not included in the minutes were not discussed due to the business being finished the prior day's meeting or no business to discuss but the item was placed on the agenda in anticipation on business that did not present.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Phipps, Stockbridge Town Clerk