

Town Board Minutes

7:00 P.M. Wednesday, August 19, 2020

APPROVED BY BOARD

Stockbridge Community Hall

Chairman Ken Schaefer called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Present was Supervisors Mark Ecker and Dean Joas, Clerk Steve Phipps, Treasurer Ralph Schmid, Road Supervisor Jerry Ortlieb (JO), Bill Van Hoorn and John Vanden Boom. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Clerk Steve verified the meeting was properly posted.

Dean J. moved and Mark E. to approve the agenda. M/C.

John V. signed-up for public comment.

Mark moved and Dean 2nd to approve the July 29, 2020 meeting minutes with the exception changing the identification number of the health plan from P06 to P07. The name of the health plan was correct. M/C.

Roads: JO indicated he is cutting road sides, MCC would be back to do Moehrke Rd. in about 2.5 weeks. Shouldering on Fairy Springs was looking good. As far as most of the paving project goes, MCC has been doing a good job with the exception of one driveway on Fairy Springs Road where JO would be reaching out to seek a remedy. Ken shared the update on work MCC is doing on the driveway for the fire station.

John V. inquired about using Long Road in the future and JO indicated the construction was finished but urged drivers take turns with caution/ease and avoid driving over the corners which causes road damage. John shared information about an up-coming field days where manure with dye would be applied to land to observe application effects.

Ken reported the MLS grant looks like the town should be receiving the grant funds.

Cordy Road and Court St: Mark moved and Dean 2nd to approve the two contracts (MCC and Scott Construction) on these road. M/C unanimously.

Communications: Steve shared a proposed 2020 Doorage Roll from Associated appraisers. No one sought to discuss in the future nor suggested any changes. Communication from the Kathy Stadmeuller on behalf of the First Responders, that Sue Schisel and Haily Joas would be the 2 representatives for the joint long-range planning group was shared with the board. Communication from the Mike Funk on behalf of the Fire Department, that Mike Funk and Josh Carney would be the 2 representatives for the joint long-range planning group was shared with the board. Ralph shared information he obtained about obtaining interim financing from the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands State Trust Fund. Board advised Steve request an application.

No surveys to discuss.

Meeting dates: No objection to scheduled upcoming dates from anyone.

Treasurer's report: Dean moved and Mark 2nd to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. M/C unanimously.

Bill Approval: Mark E. moved and Dean 2nd to approve payment of the bills as presented to the board with the exception of 2 checks payable to McMahan Engineering. M/C unanimously.

Road Supervisor/Assistant: Ken inquired about a special meeting on August 26, at 6 PM to create an assistants job description, review applicants for road supervisor, benefits and compensation, employee handbook and interview schedule. No one objected.

Steve shared information that under the WI ETF group health insurance passed last meeting taking effect on Jan. 1, 2021 that all eligible employees as defined by the Wisconsin Employee Trust Funds (ETF) must be offered health insurance but part-time employees could be offered a different cost-sharing terms. With this new information the board could rescind the earlier resolution or move forward. After

general discussion, Dean moved and Mark 2nd to have the town pay 25 percent of the average premium cost of the qualified tier one health plan for part-time eligible employee(s) as defined by the ETF. M/C unanimously.

Steve shared information about the income continuation insurance plan offered by ETF. After general discussion, Dean moved and Mark 2nd to for the town to pay 100 percent of the premium for all eligible (full-time and part-time) employees as defined by the ETF for coverage with a 30 day elimination period. M/C unanimously.

At 8:47 PM, Dean moved and Mark 2nd to adjourn. M/C

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Phipps
Stockbridge Town Clerk
Town of Stockbridge