

Town Board Minutes

6:00 PM Tuesday, October 6, 2020

APPROVED BY BOARD

Stockbridge Community Hall

Chairman Ken Schaefer called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Present were Supervisors Mark Ecker and Dean Joas, Clerk Steve Phipps, Treasurer Ralph Schmid. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Joe Kuhn, Kathy Stadtmueller and Mike Funk (arrived at approx. 6:20 PM) were present.

Clerk Steve indicated the meeting has been properly posted.

Public comment was delayed until relevant items for parties present.

Dean Joas moved and Mark Ecker 2nd to approve the meeting minutes of Tuesday, September 15, 2020. M/C.

Routes to Recovery (R2R) Grant: Steve gave a brief overview of the grant program as provided from the WTA as to help municipalities with Covid-19 related expenses. General discussion occurred about possible expenditures the town and village may incur and eligibility for R2R. Ken compiled a draft list from all present with no action taken. Dean moved and Mark 2nd to apply for the grant and make Clark Steve the designated contact person/representative on behalf of the town for the grant. M/C. Clerk Steve indicated the town is the administrator of the 1st Responder's finances. While the village handles the finances for the fire department and hall per town/village policy and practice. Mike Funk offered and Ken agreed to share the direction the town board is moving with R2R at the next day's village board meeting. Kathy Stadtmueller and Joe Kuhn shared the expenses the 1st Responder's could incur. Mike Funk and Ken discussed the fire department's need for hoods. Various possible expenditures were discussed but no decisions were made.

Fire Dept. Budget: Total proposed would be approx. \$70,000.00 with more detail to come later. 1st Responder's budget proposed budget was \$18,336.00 with more detail provided in their statement.

2021 preliminary budget: A budget worksheet was provided to the board from the clerk and Treasurer. After discussion a line item was added of \$25,000.00 under public works for the expense of replacing mowing and plow blade equipment with leaving \$525,411.01 for highway maintenance/building. Mark E. moved and Dean 2nd to

approve the draft preliminary budget and set the budget hearing for Wednesday, Nov. 4 at 7 PM, town meeting immediately thereafter to approve the levy. M/C.

Roads, equipment and buildings: Ken reported the roof on the community hall is in progress. Dean asked if the town's potential new blade purchase would enable plowing the village – Ken indicated the village's plowing would require the purchase of a new truck to plow village streets. Ken asked if any supervisors had comments on the roads. Supervisors shared no objections from the public and positive comments on 2020 road improvements overall.

CSM – N3353 Lake Shore Drive by Ed Venner: Review occurred of proposed CSM. No comments offered to the county's inquiry.

Loan draw from Bureau of Commissioner of Public Lands: Due to the timing of the LRIP supplement grant funding and due date of the road project invoices, Dean moved and Mark 2nd to approve a draw request of \$225,000.00. Via Roll Call Vote: M/C unanimously.

Communications: None. Steve shared an inquiry about the potential objector for the board of review but no documents for requesting have been turned in yet.

Motion by Mark and 2nd by Dean to adjourn. Ken adjourned the meeting at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Steven Phipps
Stockbridge Town Clerk
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