

Stockbridge Community Hall

Chairman Ken Schaefer called the meeting to order at 7 PM. Present were Supervisors Mark Ecker and Joe Kuhn, Clerk Steve Phipps, Treasurer Andrea Ortlieb, Road Supervisor Mark Tasch, Erik O' Brien\*, Wayne Grocki\*, Sharie Schaefer\*. \* Indicates signed up for public comment. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Mike Funk, Fire Chief and Ted Parsons arrived at approx. 7:10 PM.

Clerk Steve indicated the meeting had been properly posted.

Joe K. moved and Mark E. 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the agenda. M/C.

Public Comment: Sharie Schaefer spoke indicating the town was not safe with the placement of sex offenders in the town at the former Lakeview Motel. Currently criminals are occupying the place. Sharie asked there to be a public request of who is funding the rent of the occupants. Also, she shared information about a homeless person who removed their bracelet, lighting needs and escapees.

Wayne had no comment.

Erik O'Brien had no comment.

Mark moved to approve the previous month's minutes with the edit of "less" to "more" after "Artesian Road gets." M/C.

East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission Resolution: After general discussion about the issue and after hearing Alice Connors, Cal. Board Chairperson explain the issue at the WTA Cal. Co. unit meeting, Mark Ecker moved to pass Resolution No. 01-21, amending the articles of organization and the by-laws of East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Kuhn. On a roll call vote the motion passed as follows. Mark Ecker – Aye, Joe Kuhn – Aye, Ken Schaefer – Aye. Motion carried.

Annexation of town property to village: Ken indicated he has not heard anything and to the best of his understanding the property is now in the village.

Roads, Buildings and equipment: Mark Tasch indicated the Western Star truck has more issues such as DEF lines problems and more. One of the plows should be sand blasted and repainted to extend the life. Ecker Lakeland Road has water washout problems. Road side mower is fixed. Tower Road is complete per Mark. Shouldering on Twilight Beach – Mark T. asked who did the town board want to do the work. He had a quote from Baumgart Sand and Gravel. Discussion occurred about the difference between Mark T, and Baumgart doing the work. Ken indicated and the board agreed to have Mark T. do the shouldering.

Due to the delay of the truck purchase and the subsequent payment going into 2022, Ken asked about putting the 2<sup>nd</sup> layer of surface on Twilight Beach Road. After general discussion, Joe moved and Mark E. 2<sup>nd</sup> to add the 2<sup>nd</sup> layer on Twilight Road by Northeast Asphalt. M/C.

Damage to Mud Creek Road during Project Lakeside: No one heard from Mike Jansen nor Lester Krull. The board agreed to send a letter to the developer to requesting reimbursement for damages to the road. Joe moved, Mark 2<sup>nd</sup> the a motion to purse damages resulting from the construction traffic. M/C.

Intersection maintenance: Mark T. received complaints about intersections on State and County Roads and town roads about grass blocking the view. The town has cut about 1 mile of non-town road right-a-ways. Ken shared a conversation he had with the county's road supervisor Brian on the issue. No action occurred.

CSM: No CSMs presented.

1<sup>st</sup> Res. FD (1LRC) update: Ken indicated the committee was seeking quotes for engineering proposals and was inclined to want to meet with representatives to seek a good working relationship.

FD cost sharing: Mike Funk said there is another municipality inquiring about alternative arrangements between municipalities in an online forum other than assessed values. Ken suggested the possibility of changing the split between the village and the town on capital purchases – as it would very cumbersome for the annual split occurring in assessed values of lake front and tax-exempt property. Joe asked if the village would have to agree with the modification and Ken said yes but the town could always withdraw from the agreement. No action occurred.

FD and 1<sup>st</sup> Resp. insert in town's Dec. mailing: Steve shared a conversation with Mike about including a solicitation for volunteer fire fighters in the 2021 Treasurer's Nov/Dec mailing. After general discussion and request of the board to give the 1<sup>st</sup> Responders the ability to join the flyer, Mike F. said he would extend the invitation to the 1<sup>st</sup> Responders and together come up with a united solicitation to fit within the unused space on the Treasurer's page and have it to the Treasurer by the deadline communicated by the Treasurer. The board agreed and had no issues of concern.

Joe indicated that the credit limit is high enough as Sue and Kathy indicated the amount was high enough at a recent 1<sup>st</sup> Res. meeting. No action was taken.

Town Board member size: Ken gave a history of the previous conversations about increasing the number of board members. Mark E. asked about if the issue needed to be brought up at the annual meeting. Joe shared he never liked the idea of a 3 person board. Ken stated he likes the idea of a 5 person board. Mark E. agreed. No action taken. Ken asked about the board to consider it and factor in the extra costs of approx. \$10,000.00 plus the difficulty of scheduling more people for meetings in the future. No action taken.

Waste Management: Steve reported there is a conversation among neighboring clerks about how to address the recycling service issues of Waste Management (WM) and sought the municipalities to share legal expense to be released from the contract. Mark E. indicated EAA may have been the competing venue that WM was not able to handle the business. Joe indicated that one event is not a reason to try to end the contract. Ken moved that he would send a letter penned by Steve to inform the joint municipal recycling commission that a public meeting should be held, with the written invitations to representatives from Waste Management with formal/written notification of the deficiencies of the service and after allowing time for WM to respond the town of Stockbridge would consider additional steps but at this time the town board is not willing to spend tax payer money on legal representation. Joe 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and M/C.

Sex Offender/Felony Ordinance: Eric O'Brien spoke about the issue and shared that his facility will not have future problem. Ken asked the other board members to find other ordinances and he would go to the town's attorney, Derek McDermot and ask his opinion on the viability of ordinances as communications with the WTA's attorneys do indicate the town's options are limited and the WTA did not want to get heavily involved in the issue. Mark E. and Joe had no objection.

Redistricting: Steve shared the town's state and county representative's district boundaries and may change with the new census data and hearing would be held for the board and members of the public to get involved.

Communications: Steve shared a conversation from Kim Campbell who identified her self as leading an association of property owners on Ecker Lakeland Beach Rd. Kim's concerns were frequency of garbage pick-up and regulating short-term rentals. Steve shared with her the ability to have garbage picked up more frequently at their own expense/arrangement and would communicate the short-term rental concern to the board.

Steve also received a new population estimate for the town of 1,527 people or increase of 71 people from 2010's census.

Also, Steve received communication the town's assessment level may no longer be compliant with the state as recent sale data has been significantly deviant from the assessed values even from the most recent re-assessment of one year ago. In speaking the assessor, Jake B. his hoping values stabilize the rest of the year and may mitigate the negative affect of the variation.

Joe K. moved and Mark E. 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion to approve the Treasurer's report. M/C.

Mark E. moved and Joe K. 2<sup>nd</sup> the approve the bills as presented to the board. M/C.

Retirement Party: Joe moved and Mark E. 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion to donate \$250.00 to the fire department as a thank you for supplying the labor to put on the retirement party for Janene Van Hooorn, Ralph Schmid, and Jerry Ortlieb. M/C.

Joe moved and Mark 2<sup>nd</sup> to adjourn at 8:30 PM. M/C.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Phipps, Clerk