

Town Board Meeting Minutes

7:00 PM November 18, 2021

APPROVED BY BOARD

Stockbridge Community Hall

Chairman Ken Schaefer* called the meeting to order at 7 PM. Present were Supervisors Mark Ecker, Joe Kuhn, Clerk Steve Phipps, Treasurer Andrea Ortleib, Road Supervisor Mark Tasch, Fire Chief Mike Funk*, Ralph Schmid and Erik O'Brien* * indicated signed up for public comment. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Steve indicated the meeting has been properly posted. Joe K. moved and Mark E. 2nd the motion to approve the agenda. M/C.

Joe moved and Mark E. 2nd the motion to approve the November 10, 2021 town board minutes as presented. M/C.

No public comment offered – both stated it was to respond if asked questions.

Purchase of land of 2nd driveway for fire station: Ken asked the board what they wanted to do and Steve how much the ARPA grant was for. Steve indicated the town was allocated \$148,106.00 and in receipt of approx. half. At 7:05 PM, Joe moved and Mark 2nd a motion to go into closed session to discuss the terms and conditions of placing an offer on the property. Via a roll call vote the motion carried unanimously. Steve was requested to be present to take minutes.

In closed session, Inside the town office,

Ken shared the voters capped the offer at the town meeting at \$20,000.00 over an appraisal or the ARPA funding which ever is lower. Thus the boards limit is approx.. \$168,000.00 . Ken asked McMahan's engineer Nick Van De Hey to attend but was unable. Ken asked for discretion to only place an offer if the engineer stated the project is ARPA eligible. Joe moved to offer a purchase price of \$166,750.00 and giving Ken discretion to not place the offer if Ken was unable to get the engineer's statement confirming the project was ARPA eligible. Mark 2nd the motion. Via a roll

call vote the motion carried unanimously. At 7:10 PM, Ken moved and Mark 2nd a motion to go into open session. Via a roll call vote the motion carried unanimously.

Financing/Payment of purchase:

Andrea stated the balance on hand with the anticipated expenses in the next two months. Ken asked about payment of the dump truck. While it is not anticipated to need to borrow, the board told Steve to request a loan application from the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands since there is no cost to apply and should the unpaid ARPA funds take longer than expected to be delivered and due to the length of time that can be involved to borrow from the commission.

Next meeting date : December 8, 2021.

Mark E. moved and Joe 2nd a motion to approve the October Treasurer's report. M/C.

The bills from the November 10 meeting were re-presented due to an agenda item omission on the November 10 agenda. Joe moved and Mark 2nd to approve the bills as presented. M/C.

Mark moved to adjourn with a 2nd by Joe at 7:20 PM. M/C.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Phipps, Clerk