

Town Board Meeting Minutes

7 PM August 16, 2023

APPROVED BY BOARD

Stockbridge Community Hall

Chairman Joe Kuhn called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Present were Supervisors Mark Ecker, Jon Groeschl, Clerk Steve Phipps, Treasurer Andrea Ortlieb, Amy Poppy, Ralph Schmid, Scott Tennesen and Chris Poppy. \*Indicates the person signed up for public comment.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Steve indicated the meeting has been properly posted. Mark E. moved to approve the agenda. Jon 2<sup>nd</sup> and M/C.

Public Comment: None.

Mark E. moved to approve the minutes from the July 12, 2023 meeting. Jon 2<sup>nd</sup> and M/C.

Assessor Service: Steve distributed proposals from Associated Appraisal, Catalis (fka Grotta), and Accurate Appraisal. Scott Tennesen distributed a proposal from his appraisal company and after general discussion the board decided to take no action.

Roads, Buildings and Equipment: Mark Tasch reported all eight culverts are in. He is still working on the bridge aid paperwork that is gradually arriving to file for bridge aid and the last ditch mowing in underway. Joe shared the bidding of the Lakeshore Drive bridge could involve multiple engineering firms and construction firms and will be let by the county. Regarding the rental home at 205 S. Military Road, Steve reported the tenant has issued a timely notice to vacate as of August 31, and one of the existing tenants has applied to rent the home although the application is not complete yet. Jon moved to grant Joe permission to sign the rental agreement with said applicant which is one of returning tenants assuming the application is completed. Mark E. 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. M/C.

CSMs: None. Comprehensive Plan Update: Steve reported the Planning Committee met on July 19, 2023 and made a recommendation to affirm or update the existing plan as it stands unless reasons for changes would be presented after the committee seeks input from the public. In an effort to gather input, the planning committee recommended to the board: posting a hearing notice at the town shed, fire station, Calumet County Park and publish such notice in the Tri-County News for a public hearing to be held on October 26, 2023 at the community hall at 7 PM. Jon moved to approve the public participation policy proposed by the Town Plan Committee on July 19, 2023 as follows: posting a hearing notice at the town shed, fire station, Calumet County Park and publish such notice in the Tri-County News for a public hearing to be held on October 26, 2023 at the community hall at 7 PM. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark E. M/C.

Correspondences: Steve reported an email was received from the village clerk stating, "The village board approved **Amendment #2 to the Contract for a Joint Fire Department Created on August 26, 1971** at their August 2<sup>nd</sup> board meeting. I've attached a copy of the signed amendment for you. The second part of this, the resolution to allow for the levy exemption by the village, will be on the agenda and taken up at the September 6<sup>th</sup> board meeting." Steve also reported: TDS's plans for IPTV service in the town, Matthew Schaefer's email advocating for audio recordings of town meetings, CCASA Soil Health Field Day invitation and a new population estimate from the WI DOA of 1442 (down 11). Joe reported communications from Todd Rabas and Vicki Tanner-Rabas about a feral cat problem and asked if the board would like to like the item placed on an agenda in the future. Both Supervisors said, not at this time. Joe reported communications from Sherri Schaefer asking if it is legal to have fish shanties and trucks parked on the roads for several days.

Treasurer's Report: Mark E. moved to approve the report. Jon 2<sup>nd</sup>. M/C.

Payment of bills: Mark E. moved to approve payment of all bills presented to the board. Jon 2<sup>nd</sup>. M/C.

Jon moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:25PM. Mark 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. M/C.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Phipps, Clerk