

# Town Lakeshore Drive Bridge over Mud Creek Informational Meeting Minutes

6:00 PM

November 13, 2024

APPROVED BY BOARD

Stockbridge Community Hall

Chairman Joe Kuhn called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Present were Supervisors Mark Ecker, Jon Groeschl, Clerk Steve Phipps, Treasurer Andrea Ortlieb, Road Supervisor Mark Tasch, Jennifer Nadler-Lont, Jim Fett\*, Brian Glaeser of the Calumet County Highway Department and Ryan Schaitel of Ayres Associates, Inc. Dan Reiter arrived at approximately 6:15 PM. \*Denotes signed up for public comment. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Steve confirmed the meeting notices were posted.

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

Ryan Schaitel explained the planned bridge replacement on Lakeshore Drive over Mud Creek. He answered various questions about the road closure, construction and funding. Steve asked about the JT Engineering invoices and Brian explained those oversight engineering bills are not funded but could be used for county bridge aid. Questions and topics covered were water flow, life expectancy, accommodations for wildlife, time frames and road closures.

Brian Glaeser anticipates fewer communities will qualify for 100 percent bridge funding and Town of Stockbridge is fortunate to have applied and received such a grant.

At 6:20 PM, Mark E. moved to adjourn the meeting. Jon 2<sup>nd</sup>. M/C.

Respectfully submitted,  
Steve Phipps, Clerk

Town of Stockbridge

Public hearing on Budget and Special Town Meeting minutes.

7:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 13, 2024

UNAPPROVED

Stockbridge Community Hall/Fire Station

Chairman Joe Kuhn called the hearing to order at 7:00 PM. Present were Supervisors Mark Ecker, Jon Groeschl, Clerk Steve Phipps, Treasurer Andrea Ortlieb, Road Supervisor Mark Tasch and Fire Chief Mike Funk. Residents: Ralph Schmid, Jennifer Nadler-Lont, Amy Poppy, Chris Poppy and Jim Fett\*. \*indicates signed up for public comment.

Steve confirmed hearing notices were posted.

Joe Kuhn gave a brief overview of the hearing's purpose and invited questions and comment. Jim Fett asked about the paving budget changes and Steve explained the board is considering a truck purchase in 2025 that required a reduction in the paving budget. After 3 requests for comment/questions and hearing none, Joe moved to adjourn the public hearing at 7:07 PM. Mark E. 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. M/C.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Phipps, Clerk

November 13, 2024, Town of Stockbridge Elector meeting      UNAPPROVED

Stockbridge Community Hall/Fire Station

Chairman Joe Kuhn called the elector meeting to order at 7:12 PM. Present were Supervisors Mark Ecker, Jon Groeschl, Clerk Steve Phipps, Treasurer Andrea Ortlieb, Road Supervisor Mark Tasch and Fire Chief Mike Funk. Residents: Ralph Schmid,

Jennifer Nadler-Lont, Amy Poppy, Chris Poppy, Jim Fett. 11 residents present. 1 non-resident present.

Steve confirmed hearing notices were posted.

Joe explained the purpose of the meeting as outlined by the notice of approving the tax levy and the granting of an easement to WPS for updating electrical service to the fire station. Seeing no questions, Joe moved to approve the 2024 total town tax levy to be collected in 2025 not to exceed \$669,973.00. Steve 2<sup>nd</sup>. After no further discussion, Joe called a vote by show of hands with 11 votes for and 0 votes against. Motion carried.

Andrea moved to grant an easement to WPS at the fire station for updating the electrical equipment. Amy Poppy 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. After no further discussion, Joe called a vote by show of hands with 11 votes for and 0 votes against. Motion carried.

After 3 requests for comment/questions and hearing none, Steve moved to adjourn the town meeting at 7:15 PM. Mark E. 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. M/C.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Phipps, Clerk

November 13, 2024, Town of Stockbridge Board meeting      APPROVED

Chairman Joe Kuhn called the hearing to order at 7:24 PM. Present were Supervisors Mark Ecker, Jon Groeschl, Clerk Steve Phipps, Treasurer Andrea Ortlieb, Road Supervisor Mark Tasch and Fire Chief Mike Funk. Residents: Ralph Schmid, Jennifer Nadler-Lont, Amy Poppy, Chris Poppy and Jim Fett\*. \*Indicates signed up for public comment.

Steve confirmed hearing notices were posted.

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

Public Comment: Jim Fett expressed concerns about the sand pit of Lakeshore Road it's potential and actual public nuisance and it's regulation relative to ordinances.

Mark E. moved to approve the minutes of the October 9 and 24<sup>th</sup> meetings. Jon 2<sup>nd</sup>. M/C.

Mark E. moved to approve the budget of the 1<sup>st</sup> responders. Jon 2<sup>nd</sup>. M/C. Mark E. moved to approve the budget of the fire department. Jon 2<sup>nd</sup>. M/C. Jon moved to approve the town's 2025 budget with revenues of \$1,194,711.00 and matching expenses. Mark E. 2<sup>nd</sup>. M/C.

Roads, Buildings and Equipment:

Mark T. reported on a new home being built on Twilight Beach Road and the subsequent road damage occurring during its construction with 3-4 inch ruts. Cold patch repairs will need to be done before winter. Joe said he will check out the road. Regarding adding a non-CDL employee position creation, Mark T. explained the need to run for parts, cut roadsides and other general tasks. After general discussion, Joe moved to create a position with Mark T. writing up a job description for review and then exploration of a handbook. Mark E. 2<sup>nd</sup>. M/C. Joe expressed a handbook update for the road supervisor with regard to vacation and Mark T. shared that the issue can be tabled indefinitely and maybe the non-CDL position would help with the matter.

CSM review: Daniel and Robert Biese request – after general discussion Joe moved to approve with no comment. Mark E. 2<sup>nd</sup>. M/C. Paul Ecker request – after general discussion Mark E. moved to approve with no comment. Jon 2<sup>nd</sup>. M/C.

Lakeshore Drive Bridge over Mud Creek: No action taken.

Building Inspector: No updates but Joe would reach out to Ryley Schmid and Jon would reach out to Paul Hermes with the goal for finding some options by the December meeting.

Utility work in the Right-of-Way: Mark T. shared some concerns and after reviewing the current ordinance the board may be ok tabling the issue indefinitely

Mark T. said but wanted to make sure some key issues were covered and understood. No action taken.

Fire Station electrical update and WPS easement: No discussion or action.

Sealing of fire station parking lot: Different options were discussed, and the board asked Mark T. to get an estimate and different option(s).

Alcohol Operator Licenses: Applications were received from Lindsey A. Vondrachek, Melissa A. Kasten, Jennifer A. Fredriksen and Mary A. Anderson. Applications were available for review, none indicating felonies and Joe moved to issue licenses with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark E. M/C.

Communications: Joe shared the Town of Stockbridge received a check for over \$3000.00 for the old culverts.

Treasurer's Report: Jon moved to approve the report. Mark E. 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.

Mark E. moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM. Jon 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. M/C.

Respectfully submitted,  
Steve Phipps, Clerk