

January 14, 2025 Town of Stockbridge Board meeting

APPROVED

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 residents: Ralph Schmid, Dale VandenBloomer*, Gary Zahringer*, Josh Woelfel*, Jennifer Nadler-Lont*, Jeff Funk*, Robert Zitelsberger* and Joseph Mader*. *indicates signed up for public comment.

Jennifer Nadler-Lont spoke and inquired about the tiling on land adjacent to her land increasing the water flow and the status of the tiling. Josh Woelfel shared the culvert(s) on Mayflower Road were well done by Mark Tasch.

Balance of public comment participants deferred their comments until the agenda item for UTV/ATV usage on Hwy EE was on the table for discussion.

Steve confirmed meeting notices were posted.

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

Mark E. moved to approve the minutes from the December 11, 2024 meeting. Jon 2nd. M/C.

Salt Shed: Mark T. reported that the freezing rain has been using up the salt and one of the salt delivery trucks backed into the salt shed causing damage of \$6,600.00 as proposed by Parson's Construction to repair and the party responsible for the damage does seem to be cooperating with the town to repair the damage. Jon moved to hire Parsons Brothers Construction to repair the damage. Mark 2nd M/C.

No update on the part-time non-CDL position per Mark T.

Hwy EE UTV/ATV usage: Joe updated everyone on what he heard from the county about allowing UTV/ATV traffic on county roads. Jeff Funk, Dale VandenBloomer, Robert Zitelsberger, Joseph Mader and Gary Zahringer spoke in favor of continuing and assisting in efforts to allow such traffic. Joe said he would invite County Supervisor Bruce Laughrin to the next meeting and encouraged Dale VandenBloomer and others to reach out to the county supervisor for assistance in the matter as well as showing up next month to help lobby for the cause.

CSM Daniel Brantmeier: After general discussion, Jon moved to approve the CSM with no comment. Mark E. 2nd. M/C.

Fire Station Parking Lot: Joe reported that this item would be on the next joint meeting agenda and expressed his concern and ongoing research into ownership of the area used for vehicular access.

Jim Ecker Farms Sand Pit: Joe reported he looked into the reclamation plan to see if it covered all the area currently being used for mining. He said he found it does cover all 96 acres and all area within the village boundaries.

Communications: Andrea reported a taxpayer had concerns about being charged for garbage/refuse special charge on their tax bill and no longer are using the service. Joe reported that a resident on Hwy E had concerns about the refuse/garbage truck dropping their cart in the ditch seeking to prevent the issue and Joe is working with them and GFL to minimize the issue.

Innovation Planning Grant: Steve reported that the village indicated an application has been submitted.

Next board meeting date is Feb. 12. Joe shared the Fire Department Chief has requested the July board meeting date be changed to accommodate and FD event. The board granted the FD event to occur on July 9 and the board would hold the July meeting on Tuesday, July 8, 2025 instead.

Joe indicated he would attend the next WTA District Days which would include the state mandated annual Board of Review training.

Treasurer's Report: Joe moved to approve the report. Jon. 2nd. M/C.

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

Jon moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 PM. Mark E. 2nd the motion. M/C.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Phipps, Clerk