

Town Of **SPRINGFIELD**



MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, November 16, 2020, 7:30 P.M.

Town Board Meeting
via teleconference & video conference

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Jim Pulvermacher called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll call shows Chair Pulvermacher and Supervisors Dave Laufenberg, Art Meinholz, and Dan Dresen present and appearing at town hall; Supervisor Bill Statz was absent.

Also present and appearing at town hall were Road Patrolman Darin Ripp, Clerk-Treasurer Dianah Fayas, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Doreen Jackson, and Brad and Kelly Meinholz. Appearing via tele &/or video conference were Patrick Ryan, Paula and Michael Griffith.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. CONFIRMATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETINGS LAW

The Clerk confirmed that the agenda was posted at town hall and on the Town website. The meeting is being recorded for use during the drafting of the meeting minutes.

3. INFORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT TIME – None.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: 10/20 Regular, 11/5 Regular, 11/7 Site Visit

Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to approve all three sets of minutes. Motion carried, 4-0.

5. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairperson Pulvermacher offered to ask Clerk Fayas if she would be willing to help the Town of Bristol with some of their upcoming Clerk duties while their clerk is hospitalized and out for the foreseeable future. Discussions continue on the purchase of the ball field. Resident Pam Krill thanked the town for their communications to the City and FAA regarding Morey Airport and indicated she will be trying to put together a letter from the Bridle Ridge home owners, objecting to any expansion. Chairperson Pulvermacher spoke with the City of Middleton Mayor to try and schedule a closed session meeting with the two boards and their attorneys. He told the Mayor the report that indicates airport expansion is not needed at this time is not enough to alleviate concerns from neighboring municipalities and residents; Chairperson Pulvermacher would like something in writing from the City.

6. PC RECOMMENDATIONS

a. REZONE APPLICATION: GRIFFIN, 7244 CLOVER HILL DR. REZONE FROM R-1 TO SFR

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER WOLFE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BEGLINGER TO GRANT THE ZONING CHANGE TO SFR FOR 7244 CLOVER HILL DR. MOTION CARRIED, 6-0.

Motion by Sup. Laufenberg, seconded by Sup. Dresen to grant the rezone for the Griffins at 7244 Clover Hill Dr. Motion carried, 4-0.

7. OCTOBER FINANCIALS

Supervisors reviewed the October financials, noting there were no significant changes/updates from reports reviewed in preparation of the 2021 budget.

8. PARK FUND CD MATURING – APPROX. \$17,211

Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to leave the CD at Monona Bank for 12 months at 0.52%. Motion carried, 4-0.

9. 2021 BUDGET AND 2020 LEVY

The budget will be reviewed and the levy set by the electors at tomorrow night's Town Meeting, after the public hearing.

10. HAZARD PAY FOR 2020 ELECTIONS FOR CLERK AND DEPUTY CLERK

The board reviewed Routes to Recovery reimbursement language, noting Springfield has met and will exceed its maximum reimbursement threshold already. This topic to be added to December agenda as previously scheduled.

Motion by Sup. Meinholz, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to table. Motion carried, 4-0.

11. OLD BUSINESS

a. ROUTES TO RECOVERY

Municipalities can now submit for reimbursement of personnel costs for EMS and Firefighters; Springfield will add its costs to the reimbursement application, although that will be above our allocated reimbursement amount.

b. WHIPPOORWILL CULVERT & CUL DE SAC

Supervisors discussed assessment options on future parcels that access any cul de sac in that location. Chairperson Pulvermacher likes the southern location, before the rise, for the cul de sac.

Motion by Chairperson Pulvermacher, seconded by Sup. Meinholz for the Town of Springfield to proceed with planning and pricing of a cul de sac at the southern-most location option, with the cul de sac entirely on Springfield's side of Whippoorwill Road.

c. MIDDLETON MOREY AIRPORT UPDATE

The City's attorney has advised against a closed session meeting between the municipalities at this time.

d. STATUS UPDATE ON QUARRY LITIGATION

Arguments will be heard by the court December 11th.

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sup. Dresen: Middleton Fire District will be having their meeting this Thursday

Sup. Meinholz: Waunakee EMS is experiencing increased challenges dealing with COVID; hospitals are filling up and the medical establishment is trying to figure out where to take patients. The EMS building is experiencing maintenance issues again, this time between the roof and ceiling. Some of the municipal members are questioning the municipal contribution structure as their portions of the cost go up.

Sup. Statz:

Sup. Laufenberg: Nothing to report.

Chairman Pulvermacher: Nothing new to add.

13. ROAD PATROLMAN'S REPORT

Patrolman Ripp will be interviewing snow plow applicants; the board will allow Patrolman Ripp to select the best candidate without an interview by the board and may extend a job offer upon finding of satisfactory driving record by our insurance carrier and passing a drug test.

Patrolman Ripp has been getting the trucks ready for winter now that he's finished the last of the mowing, and hopes to get some more patching in while the season allows. The tractor blew a tire on the last round of mowing, requiring a new set. The board has no objection to renewing the Jan. 1-Jan. 1 skid steer contract.

14. CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

15. APPROVAL OF BILLS AS PRESENTED

Motion by Sup. Meinholz, seconded by Chairperson Pulvermacher to pay the bills. Motion carried, 4-0.

MOTION TO RECESS REGULAR MEETING AND GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Chairperson Pulvermacher, seconded by Chairperson Pulvermacher to recess the meeting and go into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin statute 19.85(1) to deliberate and/or negotiate the purchase of land. Roll call vote: Dresen AYE, Meinholz AYE, Laufenberg AYE, Pulvermacher AYE. Motion carried.

At 8:30 p.m. the board went into closed session.

16. CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO WIS. STATS. SEC. 19.85(1)(E)(G) TO DELIBERATE &/OR NEGOTIATE THE PURCHASE OF PUBLIC PROPERTY ADJACENT TO TOWN HALL.

MOTION TO EXIT CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING TO ADJOURN

Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to come out of closed session and go back into the regular meeting to adjourn. Roll call vote: Dresen AYE, Meinholz AYE, Laufenberg AYE, Pulvermacher AYE. Motion carried.

17. ADJOURN

Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Chairperson Pulvermacher to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 p.m. Motion carried, 4-0.