

# *Town Of* **SPRINGFIELD**

## MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, November 17, 2021, 7:30 P.M.  
Town Board Meeting

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, Matt Wright, Art Meinholz, and Dan Dresen present.

Also present were Road Patrolman Darin Ripp, Clerk-Treasurer Dianah Fayas, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Doreen Jackson, Don Acker, Stephen Acker, Sam Simon, Rick Acker and Corey Wipperfurth.

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 MEETING: Nov. 2, 2021

The minutes of Nov. 2, 2021 are not available for review and approval.

**Motion by Chairperson Pulvermacher, seconded by Sup. Meinholz, to table until the next meeting. Motion carried, 5-0.**

5. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairperson Pulvermacher was not able to attend the Dane County Towns Association meeting tonight because it conflicted with the Town board meeting. Chairperson Pulvermacher received a call from Ron Schwab regarding a manure spill on the road. The Town received an email regarding the possibility of siting a cell tower on Town property. The Clerk is working on creating an airport survey, and the Opt Out Towns will be meeting tomorrow and will discuss the livestock harvest zoning amendment to allow each Town to determine their own set backs and limits.

6. RECOMMENDATION(S) OF PC:

CSM & REZONES: ENLARGE 4927 & 4951 PHEASANT BRANCH RD. & CREATE 1 NEW RESIDENTIAL LOT ON PHEASANT BRANCH RD.; REZONE FROM RH-1 AND A1-EX LEGACY ZONING TO SFR & EA TOWN ZONING

*PC ACTION: MOTION BY CHAIRPERSON ENDRES, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WRIGHT TO APPROVE THE CSM AND ZONING CHANGES FOR ITEM #6 NOTING THAT IN NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES THE CSM WOULD LIKELY NOT HAVE BEEN APPROVED DUE TO THE GAP BETWEEN LOTS 2 AND 3, BUT BECAUSE THE PROPERTY IS EXPECTED TO BE ANNEXED BY THE CITY OF MIDDLETON IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE, THE TOWN DECIDED TO FOREGO THAT NORMAL PREFERENCE. MOTION CARRIED, 3-0.*

Sup. Wright explained the Plan Commission didn't have any issues with the proposed CSM, but did question the large gap between lots, which the applicants explained were the result of driveway siting limitations.

**Motion by Sup. Wright, seconded by Sup. Dresen to approve the CSM and rezone for Item 6 with two CSM notes; one note to document the use of a split and one note stating the Right to Farm notice. Motion carried, 5-0.**

7. PARKS CD MATURATION & RENEWAL

**Motion by Chairperson Pulvermacher, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to go with Monona's 18-month CD at 0.47%.**

8. AIRPORT SURVEY

Supervisors discussed content, methodology, execution, data collection and analysis, and end use, and reviewed a number of surveys, before agreeing to send a 12-question survey in paper format with a self-addressed return envelope, to each residence in the Town.

**Motion by Chairperson Pulvermacher, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to have staff create and send the survey using option #8 (2/2)\*, adding question #5 a-i from survey #8 (1/2)\*, and that we ask for address, name is optional, and number of people in the home, and we'll send it out with a self-addressed return envelope, not stamped.**

\*Refers to the corresponding document in the meeting informational packet on file with the Clerk.

9. OCTOBER FINANCIALS

Chairperson Pulvermacher directed the Clerk to add a budget amendment to the December 21<sup>st</sup> meeting agenda.

Hearing no objection, Chairperson Pulvermacher moved agenda item 14i up on the agenda to discuss at this point in the meeting.

14. OLD BUSINESS

i. JAR STORAGE ZONING VIOLATION

Corey Wipperfurth reports the rerouting of the drains to the holding tank is complete; he'd like to work with the board to create a plan for J.A.R. Storage to become compliant with regulations in the new COM zoning. J.A.R. Storage will be applying for after resolution of the current C-2 zoning violation. He reports the business is not planning to expand and is not looking to have outdoor storage. They'd like to continue to rent Buildings 3 and 4 to small businesses. To allow for tenant changeover, they'd like to be approved to rent to types of businesses, rather than specific businesses, i.e. auto repair shops, rather than Acme Auto Repair. Supervisors objected to the three to four, un-permitted "lean to" additions, and debated whether to make J.A.R. Storage evict tenants that are not permitted per the 2005 zoning restrictions, or whether to allow them to keep existing tenants and try to make them compliant going forward. Supervisors would like to have a joint site visit with the Plan Commission. Staff will schedule.

Hearing no objection, Chairperson Pulvermacher moved agenda item 12 up on the schedule.

12. DRIVEWAY VIOLATION PENALTY WAIVER REQUEST

Sup. Meinholz stepped off the board for this discussion and any corresponding action.

The petitioner explained they had their driveway resurfaced; they thought a permit was only needed if replacing the culvert. Patrolman Ripp reported it is a shallow culvert, nothing could really have been changed to the driveway, although he did recommend a new culvert to the petitioner prior to resurfacing.

**Motion by Sup. Laufenberg, seconded by Sup. Dresen that Larry pays the original fee for the permit; the town will waive the penalty. Motion carried, 4-0; Sup. Meinholz abstained.**

Sup. Meinholz rejoined the board for the remainder of the meeting.

10. PUBLIC HEARING: NATURAL DISASTER MITIGATION STRATEGIES

There was no public attendance or participation at the public hearing. Supervisors reviewed the Mitigation Strategies that were assembled from committee meetings.

**Motion by Chairperson Pulvermacher, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to approve as drafted. Motion carried, 5-0.**

13. DIGESTER/SCHNEIDER ROAD SPILL PROTOCOLS

Staff will send a letter of inquiry and invitation to Digester operators to explain the protocols they have in place, or that should have been utilized to clean up the hauler's spill in a timelier manner.

11. LAND LEASE REQUEST FOR CELL TOWER

Staff will respond to make one or two supervisors available for a meeting if desired.

14. OLD BUSINESS

a. UPDATE: RAZE OLD FARM HOUSE

The old farm house has been razed as required to build the new home.

b. UPDATE: GRANARY DEMOLITION

The granary is down per the applicant and town board agreement.

c. UPDATE: OUTDOOR STORAGE VIOLATIONS

There is less outdoor storage than before. The board directed the zoning administrator to send a letter to Randy Acker to remove the items in violation.

d. ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT: LIVESTOCK HARVEST FACILITIES

The 6 Towns are meeting tomorrow and will discuss.

e. ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT: VARIANCES

This will be discussed tomorrow.

f. INSTALLATION OF PARKING PAD

Contractors are finishing up their end of the year projects and are slated to come look at the project next week.

g. MIDDLETON MOREY AIRPORT UPDATE

h. AIR QUALITY TESTING & PURCHASE OF LEAD MONITORING EQUIP.

Staff was directed to take this off the agenda until after the results of the survey are returned and reviewed.

i. JAR STORAGE ZONING VIOLATION—see above.

j. BLIGHT

k. IGA WITH WAUNAKEE

The board will meet with the Village's Board Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup>.

l. SHORT-TERM RENTAL AGREEMENT

**Motion by Sup. Meinholz, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to adopt Item 14l (1/2 and 2/2)\* for short-term rentals.**

\*Refers to the corresponding document in the meeting informational packet on file with the Clerk.

m. MOREY AIRPORT SURVEY—see above.

15. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sup. Dresen: Sup. Dresen will ask why more help wasn't available from the fire department for the manure spill when they have their meeting tomorrow. Attended Waunakee EMS.

Sup. Meinholz: No report.

Sup. Wright: No report.

Sup. Laufenberg: No report.

Chairman Pulvermacher: Waunakee Fire is meeting next Monday; the new truck will be in by the end of the year.

16. ROAD PATROLMAN'S REPORT

Pheasant Branch is done. The Western Star is in the shop being DOTed and having the failed air compressor fixed. There's about one and a half days' worth of mowing yet.

17. CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

18. APPROVAL OF BILLS AS PRESENTED

**Motion by Sup. Laufenberg, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to pay the bills. Motion carried, 5-0.**

19. ADJOURN

**Motion by Chairperson Pulvermacher, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.  
Motion carried, 5-0.**