

SPRINGFIELD TOWN BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, November 21, 2017, 7:30 P.M.
Regular Meeting, Public Hearing and Special Town Meeting of the Electors
Springfield Town Hall

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

Chair Don Hoffman called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll call shows Chair Hoffman and Supervisors Dave Laufenberg, Jim Pulvermacher, and Dan Dresen present. Sup. Meinholz was excused.

Also present were Road Patrolman Darin Ripp, Clerk Dianah Fayas, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer and resident Jan Barman, and residents Dave Barman and Elizabeth Koehl.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. CONFIRMATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETINGS LAW

The Clerk confirmed that the agenda was published in the papers, posted at town hall and on the Town website. Meeting is being recorded.

III. INFORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT TIME

Motion by Sup. Pulvermacher, seconded by Sup. Dresen to recess Regular Meeting and enter public hearing. Motion carried, 4-0.

- a. Public Hearing on 2018 Budget.

The tax levy for 2018 is \$810,629. No public participation.

Motion by Sup. Pulvermacher, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to close the public hearing and enter special town meeting of electors. Motion carried, 4-0.

IV. SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF THE ELECTORS:

- a. Adopt the year 2017 Town tax levy to be paid in 2018 (Sec. 60.10 (1)(a) of the Wis. Statutes)

Motion by resident Koehl, seconded by resident J. Barman to adopt the tax levy to be paid in 2018 of \$810,629. Motion carried by unanimous vote of electors present.

- b. Approve the year 2018 highway maintenance and improvement expenditures (Sec. 81.01 (3) of the Wis. Statutes)

Motion by resident D. Barman, seconded by resident Koehl to approve the 2018 highway maintenance and improvement expenditure for \$753,221. Motion carried by unanimous vote of electors present.

- c. ~~Adopt salaries of Town officials and staff~~ *Required only for changes to Elected Officials' compensation.*

Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Pulvermacher to close the special meeting and go back to the regular meeting. Motion carried, 4-0.

- V. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Nov. 7th, 2017

Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Pulvermacher to approve the minutes. Motion carried, 4-0.

- VI. OPERATORS' LICENSES (as needed)
a. Lori Sorenson, The Keg

Clerk Fayas informed the Board Ms. Sorenson called to withdraw her application as she is no longer working in the Town of Springfield.

- VII. ADOPTION OF THE 2017 TOWN TAX LEVY TO BE PAID IN 2018.

Motion by Sup. Laufenberg, seconded by Sup. Dresen to adopt the 2017 Town tax levy to be paid in 2018. Motion carried, 4-0.

- VIII. APPROVE THE 2018 HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT EXPENDITURES

Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Pulvermacher to approve the 2018 highway maintenance and improvement expenditures. Motion carried, 4-0.

- IX. ADOPT SALARIES OF THE TOWN OFFICIALS AND STAFF

Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to adopt the salaries of the Town officials and staff as presented in the 2018 final budget. Motion carried, 4-0.

- X. APPROVAL OF ELECTION INSPECTORS

Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to approve the election inspectors as presented on the sheet provided to the Town Board in their meeting packets. Motion carried, 4-0.

- XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sup. Dresen: The City of Middleton came up with their share of the 2018 budget requested by the Middleton Fire budget. Middleton has all of their air packs now and has received additional grant funds that will be used to purchase the machine used to fill the air packs. They had one fire call last month.

The digester has taken on more contracts, increasing the number of semis using the road. The Board would like to review the digester road maintenance agreement.

Sup. Pulvermacher: Met with the Towns Association who is asking Towns for input into specific items of concerns they would like the Association to research and address.

Sup. Laufenberg: Has a Cross Plains Area EMS District meeting coming up on the 3rd. The district is due for a new ambulance in 2019. District members are discussing various funding methods.

XII. ROAD PATROLMAN'S REPORT

Plows are ready for winter and salt has been delivered. Patrolman Ripp received information from the State regarding salt shed expansion; potential expansion plans do not pose an issue with State requirements. Patrolman Ripp reported to the Board on a medical concern that one of the part time plow drivers brought to his attention. The Board advised Patrolman Ripp to ask the driver for a letter from his doctor stating he is medically fit to drive. Patrolman Ripp asked what the Town's reimbursement policy is for CDL physicals as they are no longer covered under medical insurance. The Board instructed staff to see what other local communities do.

Patrolman Ripp asked Chair Hoffman about the Dane County meeting to review LRIP and TRIP applications. In previous years, the State award committee tried to divide the awards up so each county received at least one award. We were the only Town in Dane County to apply for the LRIP program this year. Award notifications will be announced next spring. We did not apply for the TRIP program which is what the meeting primarily covered, dividing up \$240,000 amongst 17 of the 18 municipalities that applied. The Board instructed staff to look into the TRIP program to see if this is something worthwhile to pursue in the future.

XIII. CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT

Staff has been working on getting the tax bills ready. The Clerk requested and received permission to close the office for lunch one afternoon next week. Mark Roffers will be sending over a TDR Administrator agreement for review and approval, specifying the initial one hour consult with interested parties will be \$125.

XIV. APPROVAL OF BILLS AS PRESENTED

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

XV. ADJOURN

**Motion by Sup. Pulvermacher, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 p.m.
Motion carried, 4-0.**