

Town Of **SPRINGFIELD**



MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, November 5, 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. Sup. Statz will be late.

Also present and appearing at town hall were Clerk-Treasurer Dianah Fayas, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Doreen Jackson, Brad Meinholz, Mike and Jacilyn Olson, Pam McSherry. Appearing via tele &/or video conference was Patrick Ryan.

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 – Mr. Ryan asked the board about the status of the quarry. Residents believe they're moving east, outside of the CUP and are considering a restraining &/or cease and desist type order to prevent mining beyond the CUP limits. The Town isn't pursuing any type of action at against Yahara Materials at this time, until the existing lawsuit is concluded.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: OCTOBER 20, OCTOBER 22 SITE VISIT, OCTOBER 27 BUDGET WORKSHOP

The meeting minutes of October 20th were not available for review and approval.

Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to approve the minutes of October 22nd and 27th as presented. Motion carried, 4-0.

5. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairperson Pulvermacher thanked staff and election workers for their hard work during such a tumultuous time, noting that it's even more admirable working elections with the public during a pandemic. A resident contacted Chairperson Pulvermacher to express their displeasure with the Enchanted Valley Road ditching. Chairperson Pulvermacher spoke with Mayor Brar after the chairman's letter was published. Chairperson Pulvermacher would like to schedule a joint closed session meeting with the city to lay all the cards on the table. Resident Pam Krill emailed her thanks for Chairperson Pulvermacher's letter, on behalf of herself and her neighbors and offered additional information for the chairman's consideration. Retired Deputy Clerk and Chief Election Inspector Jan Barman wrote a letter to board members expressing her pleasure and gratitude for

the hard work and meticulous planning by town staff that ensured a smooth, seamless and safe election for residents and workers.

6. SCHEDULE NEXT REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING AROUND ELECTOR MEETING

The board would like to hold a regular meeting the day before the elector's meeting to handle the typical business of the board without keeping the electors in attendance waiting. Staff was directed to schedule a regular meeting Monday, November 16th at 7:30 pm.

7. SCHEDULE KINGSLEY MEETING WITH HARVEY WINN

Staff was directed to try and schedule a site visit December 5th.

8. SCHEDULE MEETING WITH JAR REPRESENTATIVES AND TOWN ATTORNEY

Attorney Hazelbaker was contacted by JAR Storage's attorney to schedule a time to meet with representatives from the town to discuss resolution of the existing zoning violation. Chairperson Pulvermacher would like a meeting of the board, not just a work group with one or two supervisors. Staff will schedule and report back.

Sup. Statz arrived at 7:47 p.m.

9. COVID EXPOSURE PROTOCOLS FOR LEAVE TIME, RETURN TO WORK, ETC.

Motion by Chairperson Pulvermacher, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to adhere to the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) as detailed in the #9 & #10a Routes to Recovery program guidance agenda items meeting handouts. Motion carried, 5-0.

10. OLD BUSINESS

a. ROUTES TO RECOVERY

Updates to the program eliminated language specifying what employees were eligible for reimbursement of paid leave for COVID-19 precautions, so it is no longer limited to just public safety, public health and other individuals who were "substantially dedicated" to the public health emergency. The new language allows for submission of reimbursement for up to 80 hours of leave time for each employee who was out of work for quarantine. The change applies to hazard pay eligibility as well.

b. SINGLE PURPOSE ROAD – ROLLING ACRES LANE

Rolling Acres Lane has been determined to be a town road that will require improvements for additional lot access in the future. The Town is awaiting a title search of the property to determine how wide the road is and to locate the corresponding right of way. Staff was directed to remove this item from the agenda.

c. WHIPPOORWILL CULVERT & CUL DE SAC

Supervisors from the towns of Berry and Springfield, as well as stake holder neighbors will be meeting on site this Saturday at 9:00 am to review locations.

d. MIDDLETON MOREY AIRPORT UPDATE

Staff was directed to try and schedule a closed session meeting with the City of Middleton Common Council.

e. STATUS UPDATE ON QUARRY LITIGATION

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sup. Dresen: AMPAC met. A recent report indicated the airport is big enough for the next 20 years and doesn't require any expansion at this time. There are two more meetings to be held by the end of the year.

Sup. Meinholz: Nothing to report.

Sup. Statz: Nothing.

Sup. Laufenberg: Nothing to report.

Chairman Pulvermacher: Nothing to add.

12. ROAD PATROLMAN'S REPORT

Town engineers have heard unofficial reports that Springfield's bridge aid request for two culverts is included in the county budget for award. The town heard back from the county about installing a streetlight on the corner of Fisher Road. There shouldn't be a problem securing permission for placement in the ROW; installation, maintenance and energy would be the responsibility of the town.

13. CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

14. APPROVAL OF BILLS AS PRESENTED

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

Motion by Chairperson Pulvermacher, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to recess the meeting until 8:30 when the meeting will reconvene and go into closed session. Motion carried, 5-0.

MOTION TO RECESS REGULAR MEETING AND GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Statz to reconvene 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, Statz AYE, Laufenberg AYE, Pulvermacher AYE. Motion carried.

Rusty Hellenbrand joined the board in closed session.

15. 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 AND CONFER WITH LEGAL COUNSEL WHO IS RENDERING ADVICE CONCERNING BOARD STRATEGY WITH RESPECT TO MOREY AIRPORT AND LITIGATION THE TOWN IS LIKELY TO BECOME INVOLVED IN.

MOTION TO EXIT CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING TO ADJOURN

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

16. ADJOURN

Motion by Sup. Statz, seconded by Sup. Dresen to adjourn the meeting at 10:18 p.m. Motion carried, 5-0.