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MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, December 16, 2025, 7:00 P.M.
Town Board Meeting

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

Chairman Laufenberg called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll call shows Chairperson Dave Laufenberg and Supervisors Tyler Jankowski, Matt Wright, Art Meinholz, and Leon Zinck III present.

Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Dianah Fayas, Road Patrolman Darin Ripp, Chuck Schaeffer, Sam Acker, Becky Lindeman, Kelly Lindeman, Robert Procter, William Acker, Tim Roehl, Ann Schuetz, Pat Buechner, Steve Blakesell, and Randall Grobe.

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.

3. INFORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT TIME – Pat Buechner informed the Board about the increase in assessed value on some of his parcels as a result of outbuildings that are being assessed as regular farm buildings rather than the actual quality of the buildings which are described as “portable”, “on dirt”, and “glorified calf huts.” Town staff and officials have received a lot of feedback and concern about the increase in taxes.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: December 2, 2025

Motion by Sup. Zinck III, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to approve the December 2nd meeting minutes. Motion carried, 5-0.

5. RECOMMENDATION OF THE PC FROM DEC. 8TH:

- a. LEGACY ACRES 22-LOT PRELIMINARY PLAT AND REZONES, 6506 STATE HIGHWAY 19
 - R-1 TO SFR, 6488 STATE HIGHWAY 19,
 - A-3 TO SFR, 6506 STATE HIGHWAY 19,
 - B-1 TO EA PARCEL 0808-122-9500-8, AND
 - A-1(EX) TO EA PARCEL 0808-121-9050-4

PC ACTION: MOTION BY COMMISSIONER WRIGHT, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WEILAND TO TABLE THE APPLICATION PENDING RESPONSE TO THE 19 COMMENTS IN MSA’S MEMO DATED DEC. 8. MOTION CARRIED, 4-2.

Supervisors noted that stormwater calculations are very preliminary and questioned the future maintenance and ownership of the proposed stormwater basins. Supervisors noted the impossibility of replacing the large number of trees that will need to be taken down for development of the project, and the resultant lack of camouflage for the proposed residences. Supervisors voiced safety concerns with the steep slopes in some of the lots’ backyards, suggesting fencing or plantings to minimize accidents on the hillside, and noted aesthetic concerns with the large expanse of exposed hill. The road patrolman would like the roads’ asphalt mix changed to meet Town

specifications strong enough to handle heavy farm equipment. The applicant provided updates based on comments at the December 8th meeting that the Plan Commission and Town engineer have not had time to review and offer comment on. Restrictions on building height on hills and ridges have been discussed but not implemented meaning homes may be visible on top of the ridge which may be a potential concern, although it was noted any visible homes would be affluently attractive homes.

Motion by Chairman Laufenberg, seconded by Sup. Wright to send back to the Plan Commission's next meeting and post as a joint meeting with the Town Board for possible action by Town Board. Motion carried, 5-0.

6. NOVEMBER FINANCIALS

Motion by Sup. Zinck III, seconded by Sup. Jankowski to approve the November financials. Motion carried, 5-0.

7. 2025 BUDGET AMENDMENT

No budget amendment is proposed; the Board may choose to designate any fund balance increases at a later time.

8. OLD BUSINESS

a. BLIGHT, 7097 & 7166 COUNTY HWY. K

The property owner of 7166 County Hwy. K is awaiting confirmation of a modified Court Order reducing the fines currently held as a lien against the property, so they can be paid and the sale go to the title company for final processing. No confirmation of delivery or response has been received from the residents at 7097 County Hwy. K.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports.

10. ROAD PATROLMAN'S REPORT

The Peterbilt is out for repair.

11. CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

12. APPROVAL OF BILLS AS PRESENTED

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

13. ADJOURN

Motion by Sup. Meinholz, seconded by Sup. Jankowski to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried, 5-0.