MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 1, 2022, 7:30 P.M.

Town Board Meeting

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll call shows Supervisors Dave Laufenberg, Art Meinholz, and Dan Dresen present. Chairperson Pulvermacher was attending the City Council meeting on behalf of the Town of Springfield. Supervisor Wright was absent.

Also present were Road Patrolman Darin Ripp, Clerk-Treasurer Dianah Fayas, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Doreen Jackson, Duane Acker, Brad Meinholz, and Corey Wipperfurth.

**Motion by Sup. Meinholz, seconded by Sup. Dresen for Sup. Laufenberg to chair the meeting. Motion carried, 3-0.**

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

1. 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.

1. INFORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT TIME – Brad Meinholz asked whether the town board was going to be issuing a written response to the anonymous mailing that was sent to town residents at the end of 2021; Duane Acker would like a formal motion to send a response. Chair Laufenberg directed staff to add a response to the next agenda for discussion and action, if any.
2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: January 18, 2022

**Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to approve the January 18th minutes. Motion carried, 3-0.**

1. CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT

Chairperson Pulvermacher was not available for a report.

1. TEMPORARY RETAILERS LICENSE: ST PETER’S FISH FRY, FEB 18, MAR 11 & 25 & APR 8, 2022

**Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to grant St. Peter’s a temporary license for the requested dates. Motion carried, 3-0.**

1. OPERATOR’S LICENSE: LORI MEINHOLZ & KATHLEEN HELLENBRAND, ST PETER’S FISH FRY

**Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to grant an operator’s license for Lori Meinholz and Kathleen Hellenbrand. Motion carried, 3-0.**

1. RESCHEDULE 2/16/22 TOWN BOARD MEETING TO 2/15, BECAUSE NO SPRING PRIMARY ELECTION IS NEEDED

**Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to change the second meeting in February to February 15th instead of the 16th since Springfield does not have an election on the 15th. Motion carried, 3-0.**

1. USGS WATER AND SOIL TESTING SITE REQUEST

The board reviewed a request to locate a monitoring station in the Pheasant Branch Creek, upstream of the airport, near the intersection of Church and Schneider Roads, in the Town’s road right of way as part of a study being conducted by the USGS in conjunction with the Town of Middleton.

**Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to grant USGS authorization to do water and soil testing near the corner of Church and Schneider Roads in the town right of way. Motion carried, 3-0.**

1. OLD BUSINESS
   1. MUNICIPAL COURT

Staff was directed to send a letter of inquiry and application to the Northeast Community Court to join the multi-jurisdictional court with Towns of Blooming Grove, Burke, Bristol, Westport and Sun Prairie and the Village of Dane.

* 1. MIDDLETON MOREY AIRPORT UPDATE

The City’s common council is voting on a resolution to accept the master plan as proposed tonight.

* 1. JAR STORAGE ZONING VIOLATION

JAR management would like to keep the connection between Buildings 4 and 5 and are bidding the project now. The lean-to on building 4 is okay but needs a little structural enhancement. Building 3 will require a variance which the applicant is pursuing. The applicant would like to halt accumulating fines as they continue to improve the site to building codes. Supervisors thanked Corey Wipperfurth for his continuing progress, noting they were impressed with the efforts of the new management. Misters Wipperfurth will keep the Town updated on their continuing progress, but are not required, nor expected to attend every meeting.  As the project to bring the buildings and site into compliance with building codes and zoning restrictions nears completion, the Town will likely take action to direct the Town’s building inspector to re-inspect the site to verify satisfactory completion.

**Motion by Sup. Meinholz, seconded by Sup. Dresen to freeze fines as of tonight (2/1/2022) and keep communications going. Motion passed, 3-0.**

* 1. BLIGHT

The home at 7166 County Highway K has a large accumulation of items in the driveway and vehicles. Staff will contact the health department again and send a letter to the home owner making him aware that we are referring the home to the health department again.

* 1. OUTDOOR STORAGE VIOLATIONS
  2. ~~LIVESTOCK HARVEST FACILITY SITING GUIDELINES POLICY~~
  3. PROPERTY MAINTENANCE ORDINANCE

1. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sup. Dresen: Sup. Dresen attended the Lycon quarry meeting; no blasting is forthcoming. The Middleton Fire District is running smooth.

Sup. Meinholz: No report.

Sup. Wright: N/A

Sup. Laufenberg: Cross Plains EMS met last week; they had 420 calls last year, up from 360 in 2020, and finished the year $20,000 in the black. The chief will be taking maternity leave later in the year and has budgeted for part-time staff to help cover the absence.

Chairman Pulvermacher: N/A

1. ROAD PATROLMAN’S REPORT

The Ram is in the shop for a recall on wheel studs and to resolve an oil leak. Patrolman Ripp will pick up the 5 or so Christmas trees that were missed during collection.

1. CLERK/TREASURER’S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE
2. APPROVAL OF BILLS AS PRESENTED

**Motion by Sup. Laufenberg, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to pay the bills. Motion carried, 3-0.**

1. ADJOURN

**Motion by Sup. Laufenberg, seconded by Sup. Dresen to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m. Motion carried, 3-0.**