

# *Town Of* **SPRINGFIELD**



## MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 15, 2022, 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, Ken Meinholz, Duane Acker, and Roger Ripp.

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: February 1, 2022

**Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to approve the minutes. Motion carried, 3-0; Chairperson Pulvermacher and Sup. Wright abstained.**

5. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairperson Pulvermacher updated the board on conversations he had with elected officials from the City of Middleton and the Town of Berry on various topics, and reported on the Towns Association Executive meeting and the recommendation from the plan commission for a new member to take Matt Wright's position.

6. RESPONSE TO ANONYMOUS, END OF THE YEAR, TOWN-WIDE MAILING

**Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to send the letter in the packet to the residents of Springfield. Motion carried, 5-0.**

7. TOWN ROADS' WEIGHT LIMITS

The board would like to put together a list of roads to provide to town engineers to review and provide rationale for posting year-round. Staff was directed to add this to the next agenda.

8. PLAN COMMISSIONER APPOINTMENTS TO THE PLAN COMMISSION

**Motion by Sup. Laufenberg, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to nominate Jan Barman to the Plan Commission starting March 2022 for a three-year term. Motion carried, 5-0.**

**Motion by Sup. Meinholz, seconded by Sup. Dresen to accept Jeff Endres on to the Plan Commission for a three-year term. Motion carried, 5-0.**

With the recommendations of both the Plan Commission and Town Board, Chairperson Pulvermacher appointed Jan Barman and Jeff Endres to three-year terms to the Plan Commission.

9. OLD BUSINESS

a. MIDDLETON MOREY AIRPORT UPDATE

Chairperson Pulvermacher spoke with the WTA and attorney Hazelbaker looking for options to delay or stop funding for future expansion.

b. JAR STORAGE ZONING VIOLATION

Before pursuing improvements and ordering materials, JAR management would like confirmation from the board that if improved to standard structural requirements, they can keep the unpermitted tractor shed lean-to attached to Building 4, Unit 5. Confirmation to that effect was not provided by the Board; while no vote was taken, the Board voiced opposition to letting the lean-to remain. The Board would like a report on the results of the electrical inspection that was performed at the end of January. The request to file a mutual/dual variance request with the Board of Adjustment to address setback infringements by JAR and the adjoining neighbor to the west will require both parties to appear before the board to make the request in person.

c. BLIGHT

d. OUTDOOR STORAGE VIOLATIONS

e. PROPERTY MAINTENANCE ORDINANCE

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sup. Dresen: Sup. Dresen attended the Waunakee EMS meeting for Sup. Meinholz. The 2023 budget may see an 80% cost increase, raising Springfield's portion from \$35,000 to \$70,000. Supervisors advocated changing how multi-jurisdictional cost sharing is divided so that the percentage of calls is taken into consideration, in addition to population per municipality. After factoring for population, Waunakee has a higher percentage of the EMS calls than other municipalities in the district. Sup. Dresen will be attending the fire district meeting Thursday.

Sup. Meinholz: Nothing to report.

Sup. Wright: The Plan Commission heard public comment against changing the use of an outlot to residential and declined to take action until such time as ownership of the parcel can be definitively resolved. Additionally, the Plan Commission made recommendations to the Town Board and Chairperson Pulvermacher to recommend and appoint Jan Barman and Jeff Endres to the Plan Commission.

Sup. Laufenberg: Nothing to report.

Chairman Pulvermacher: Nothing to report.

11. ROAD PATROLMAN'S REPORT

Patrolman Ripp reported on the maintenance and repairs to the Ram and noted that MSA will be working on the Kickaboo Road turnaround. Patrolman Ripp would like direction from the board as to which projects the board would like MSA to start preparing for this year. Chairperson Pulvermacher interjected that with ARPA funds able to be spent on roads, the town could budget less on roads and use the difference to fund a legal fund. Patrolman Ripp informed the board that the 2012 Western Star should be replaced soon and that plow trucks are about two years out right now. Patrolman Ripp would like the Town to look at placing an order soon, to get on the production schedule.

Patrolman Ripp sought direction on a new road excavation permit application which requested 35 crossings; the board clarified a permit is needed for every crossing.

12. CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported that the Plan Commission will be hearing an application for a CUP at their next meeting, March 7<sup>th</sup> that requires the board's attendance.

Chairperson Pulvermacher explained the CSM application for Top Shelf Enterprises was tabled for more information related to stormwater infiltration and verification that there are no deed restrictions or covenants prohibiting the split of a lot in the commercial park.

13. APPROVAL OF BILLS AS PRESENTED

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

14. ADJOURN

**Motion by Chairperson Pulvermacher, seconded by Sup. Dresen to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. Motion carried, 5-0.**