



MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 2, 2021, 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, Bill Statz, Art Meinholz, and Dan Dresen present and appearing at town hall.

Also present and appearing at town hall were Road Patrolman Darin Ripp, Clerk-Treasurer Dianah Fayas, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Doreen Jackson, Brad Meinholz, Brian Buechner, Pat Buechner, and Bill & Juanita Wagner. Appearing via tele &/or video conference were Kelly Meinholz, Janel Christiansen, Dan Fargen, Kraig Byron, and Lisa Meinholz.

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

A side impact traffic accident at the corner of Lodi-Springfield and Tanzanite Roads prompted Bill and Juanita Wagner, to see if any changes can be made at that location, noting the limited visibility due to topography. Chairperson Pulvermacher explained municipalities' limited traffic control options and legal challenges that occurred in the past when speeds were reduced. The board will add this location to their road tour to see if signage can be enhanced for the intersection or the speed limit reduced.

Sup. Meinholz informed the board that Springfield land owners are receiving solicitations from solar farm operators to lease their farmland. Staff will ask town professionals about regulatory requirements and town authority regarding siting of solar farm installations.

Sup. Statz reported he has submitted applications for a CSM and rezone to the Plan Commission to merge his three separate R-1A parcels into one SFR parcel to facilitate a new septic field and garage expansion.

Brian Buechner provided supervisors with a copy of the 2011 developer's agreement between the Town and Pat and Carol Buechner and Brian and Sherri Buechner regarding Rolling Acres Lane.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: JAN. 5, 2021 AND JAN. 19, 2021

Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to accept the minutes of January 5th and January 19th as presented. Motion carried, 5-0.

5. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairperson Pulvermacher spoke with Mayor Brar about updating the intergovernmental agreement between the town and the city to reflect the reported lack of support by city officials for an East-West runway. Chairperson Pulvermacher would like to discuss cooperative stormwater management in the Town in exchange for assurances against airport expansion. Chairperson Pulvermacher received a phone call from Dan Fargen's attorney who is putting together a presentation for the board regarding Mr. Fargen's request for reconsideration of the Plan Commission's recommendation to deny the CSM application. The board was not opposed to scheduling a special meeting on this issue as it would likely be too lengthy to discuss during a regular board meeting. The Plan Commission has received a CSM and rezone application for two residential lots on Rolling Acres Lane. Staff was directed to schedule a meeting between all of the interested parties to discuss the status and the future of Rolling Acres Lane. Chairperson Pulvermacher received a lot of calls and emails related to the proposed turnaround on Whippoorwill Road.

6. INSURANCE COVERAGE: AMOUNTS FOR ACREAGE IMPROVEMENTS & NEW PROPOSALS

The Town will stay with Rural Mutual Insurance for another year. The board would like to add liability insurance to the new acreage and enough coverage to pay for the cost of clean up for any of the improvements on the acreage; up to \$10,000 of coverage as the insurance company will provide.

Motion by Sup. Statz, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to add personal property coverage up to \$10,000 and add liability to our insurance coverage for the acreage. Motion carried, 5-0.

7. KINGSLEY INVESTMENT REVIEW

The board would like to have our portfolio manager come in to discuss the investments. Staff will schedule for the first meeting in March.

8. OLD BUSINESS

a. CLOVER HILL CULVERTS

Take off agenda and put back on for first meeting in March.

b. TDR COMMITTEE CREATION AND APPOINTMENTS

Sup. Meinholz would be interested in participating on the committee.

c. MIDDLETON MOREY AIRPORT UPDATE

d. JAR STORAGE ZONING VIOLATION

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sup. Dresen: Sup. Dresen attended the annual Northwestern Stone meeting with residents and managers. They continue to use all of the materials from the site for themselves. They may install a pond in the future and continue to have no plans to blast in the future.

Sup. Meinholz: Nothing.

Sup. Statz: Nothing.

Sup. Laufenberg: Sil Maly called questioning the how the driveway at the Whippoorwill dead end in the town of Berry was allowed; he was told by the county that you couldn't abut a driveway to a town road without a bulb.

Chairman Pulvermacher: Nothing.

10. ROAD PATROLMAN'S REPORT

Patrolman Ripp received the new quotes Chairperson Pulvermacher requested for Whippoorwill Road; they have the estimated cost of the land for the turnaround included, as well as the cost of hauling out the excavation materials, to better reflect what the town would spend without the Meinholzs' contribution. The brakes are going on the Ram; Patrolman Ripp can replace himself, but wants the town's permission/direction as to whether he should have the job done professionally or do in house himself. The board asked him to get quotes from two or three garages.

11. CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

The new owners of GL Biogas have requested to pay their payment in lieu of taxes in two separate installments.

Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to allow Faith Technologies to pay their fees in two installments. Motion carried, 4-0; Sup. Meinholz abstained.

12. APPROVAL OF BILLS AS PRESENTED

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

13. ADJOURN

Motion by Sup. Meinholz, seconded by Sup. Statz to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 p.m. Motion carried, 5-0.