

Springfield Town Board Minutes Tuesday, March 3, 2015 @ 7:30 p.m.

- I. Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance - Chair Don Hoffman called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., Roll call shows Chair Don Hoffman, Supervisors Art Meinholz, Jim Pulvermacher, Dave Laufenberg and Dan Dresen present. Also present were Road Patrolman Mark Grosse, Clerk Carolyn Hacker, Darren Marsh, DC Parks, Dave Ripp, DC Supervisor, Terri Middleton, Dale Helt, Chuck Meier, Mike Elvert and Michael Drew, Middleton Times Tribune.
- II. Confirmation of Compliance with Open Meetings Law - Clerk Hacker reported that notice of this meeting was met by posting at the Town Hall, corner of CTH K and Church Roads, Schneider Road Business Center and on the website. Meeting is also being taped.
- III. Informal Public Comment Time - Michael Drew, Middleton Times Tribune is recording this meeting for his personal use.
- IV. Minutes of previous meetings: February 17, 2015, Special Board Meeting February 24, 2015 - Motion made by (Dresen/Pulvermacher) to approve minutes for February 17th and 24th as presented. All ayes, carried.
- V. Dane County Wildlife Park on Hyer Rd. update - Darren Marsh, Dane County Parks Department stated the county purchased property on Hyer Rd that was formally the Ballweg property. The county has had this property for about two years and they will begin to provide public access for hunting. There will be no trails on this property. They will be working with the neighbors to create fire breaks by cutting trees and clearing the perimeter. There will be signage all along the perimeter of the property to keep people from going onto private property. There will be a parking area near the entrance of the road, this will be large enough for about 4-5 cars. Parking area will be graveled and then seeded and maintained by mowing. There will be a sign showing DC Wildlife Park and also a sign by the parking area indicating the rules, hunting seasons and boundaries. This park will continue to be left in grass and cropped land. There is a water way going through the property know as six mile creek and also some wetland ponds. Dresen asked if there would be pheasants stocked, Marsh didn't think it would have the proper habitat for that but it could be discussed. He thought it would be more for duck hunters. This property was not purchased with hunting in mind, there were tiles put in for the ponding and they will be studying water drainage and clean water after floods. Board thanked Darren for coming.
- VI. T-Middleton Lease with Middleton Fire District - Hacker stated that we have the contracts to be signed. Dresen has read through the contract and is OK with it. **Motion made by (Pulvermacher/Dresen) to sign the contract lease between the T-Middleton and the Middleton Fire District. All ayes, carried.**
- VII. Park Shelter Design - Hacker stated that she has not received the information from Bill at Dane Lumber. **Motion made by (Meinholz/Pulvermacher) to table until next meeting. All ayes, carried.**
- VIII. Emergency Supplies, Blankets, Generator, Water - Grosse stated that he has contacted Generac for someone to come out and give us estimates on a generator, but they have not made it out yet,

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hopefully tomorrow. Grosse was asked to get the size needed for the building and the cost and have it for the next board meeting.

IX. DaneCom 2015 Update - Pulvermacher stated that ~~he~~ *members of the DCTA* was at a meeting the night before and their presentation was like a rehearsed speech. No one is giving strait answers as to when this will be up and running, they don't seem to know. There is a proposal for two more towers, but they think there will still be areas that won't get service. Part of the problem is that Harris is not compatible with Motorola, C-Madison refused to switch from Motorola and it has to work with their system. The fear is that Harris contract is up at the end of this year and we've put all this money into it and they will up and leave and we will have to start over.

X. New Truck Financing - Dresen had asked if Dodge had any financing, Grosse stated that they did not. **Motion made by (Pulvermacher/Meinholz) to approve loan through Middleton Community Bank at 2.21% interest rate. All ayes, carried.**

Let minutes show Pulvermacher stepped off board.

XI. Cemetery Monuments - Terri Middleton is asking if she can put an oversized monument over two lots to cover both hers and her husband's sites and to have it above ground. Discussion continued as to if there should be space left between lots for trimming. Grosse stated that in the smaller spaces they weed wack or mulch and spray, they don't mow. No one could say what the standard monument size is for this type of lot. Hacker will get this information for the next meeting. **Motion made by (Dresen/Meinholz) to table until next meeting. All ayes, carried.**

Let minutes show Pulvermacher back on board.

XII. 2015 Audit - Hacker stated that after reviewing the documents, there was nothing that stood out and no discrepancies were found. Hoffman asked the board if they had any questions. He asked the board to look it over and if they have any questions to bring it back to the next meeting. **Motion made by (Pulvermacher/Laufenberg) to table to next meeting. All ayes, carried.**

XIII. January Financials - Dresen questioned why there is still money in the assets for the WA-Fire building Loan. Hoffman thought that there was more money borrowed than was needed and the remainder was set aside. Hacker was asked to double check this and bring it back to the next meeting. **Motion made by (Pulvermacher/Meinholz) to table to next meeting. All ayes, carried.**

XIV. Committee Reports -

Dresen - He missed the Middleton Fire meeting, but the report he received shows two fires at the same address within two weeks apart. He thought that is something that should be watched.

Meinholz - Has nothing.

Pulvermacher - At the Plan Commission meeting last night they said their good byes to Karen Crook and thanked her for her many years of sitting on the committee with a plaque. They thanked Ron Koci for applying to take Karen's seat on the committee. He asked if the Board

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wanted to send her a thank you. Waunakee Fire is looking at purchasing an ATV, there is no borrowing for this. They are also discussing repairing the parking lot. State Legislation is moving forward for towns to get out of DCZ. MSA keeps track of mapping and splits in other communities outside of Dane County.

Laufenberg - Has nothing.

- XV. Road Patrolman's Report - Board reviewed the estimates that Joe DeYoung, MSA put together for the 2015 road work. Can consider the first 14 items if Grosse talks to him about scaling back on the asphalt will check this out and bring it to the next board meeting. Grosse asked the Board if they wanted the weight limit letters to go out. Yes. He reported that we had vandalism in town, several signs were knocked down and destroyed. Hacker was asked to check with the insurance to cover the signs and the labor to replace them. There are suspects being checked out. Grosse used about 30 ton of salt and sand on today's snow fall.
- XVI. Clerk Treasurer's Report - We received a letter from DCZ about JAR Express not having a sign permit for a sign that has been installed along Hwy 19. Handed out an article about farms in WI that have failed, most of them small farms. Also handed out DC Sheriff's report that shows the amount of calls at Don' MM over a 2 ½ year period.
- XVII. Approval of Bills as presented. - **Motion made by (Dresen/ Pulvermacher) to approve bills as presented. All ayes, carried.**
- XVIII. Adjourn - **Motion made by (Meinholz/Dresen) to adjourn at 9:40 p.m. All ayes, carried.**

Minutes by: Carolyn Hacker, Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED 03/17/2015