

Town of SPRINGFIELD

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, April 8, 2020, 7:30 P.M.
Town Board Meeting
Springfield Town Hall

Phone conference access
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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.

Also present were Road Patrolman Darin Ripp, Clerk-Treasurer Dianah Fayas, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Doreen Jackson, Brian Ripp, Tim Cleary, and Alden Cleary.

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: Minutes were not available for review.

- a. MINUTES OF MAR. 17 BOARD MEETING
- b. MINUTES OF APR. 3 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING – ELECTION INSPECTORS
- c. NOTES OF MAR. 4 GL BIOGAS DISCUSSION
- d. NOTES OF MAR. 14 ROADS INSPECTION TOUR

Motion by Chairperson Pulvermacher, seconded by Sup. Meinholz to table approval of the minutes due to the election and bring to the next board meeting. Motion carried, 5-0.

5. DRIVEWAY PERMITS:

- a. JEROME GILLES, 6705 KOPP RD.

Motion by Chairperson Pulvermacher, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to table for tonight. Motion carried, 5-0.

- b. TIM & KENDRA CLEARY, 7455 OAK CIRCLE DR., DRIVEWAY EXTENSION

The applicants will be widening the driveway to accommodate a garage, with a 2' extension of the culvert on each side of the driveway, for a total width < 30'.

Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to grant the driveway permit for 7455 Oak Circle driveway extension. Motion carried, 5-0.

The chairman's report was inadvertently omitted from the agenda. Receiving no objection, Chairperson Pulvermacher updated the Board on his Chairman activities, which included a teleconference with Dane County Executive Joe Parisi wherein they discussed the recent on again/off again election; Chairperson Pulvermacher's previous conversation with City of Middleton's Mayor Brar regarding land acquisition in the Town of Springfield for water retention as part of flood mitigation efforts; the community's state of readiness; redistricting and the size of and representation on the county board; and finally, the impact of reduced revenue from the county's \$0.005 sales tax which typically generates \$35-40 million dollars annually.

6. FEBRUARY FINANCIALS

Motion by Chairperson Pulvermacher, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to discuss the February financials at the next meeting. Motion carried, 5-0.

7. RECORDING OF MEETINGS

The Board would like to discuss this again at their first meeting in May and directed staff to add it to the May 5th agenda.

8. CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTANCE

Staff will do additional research and examine volume and need and report back.

9. NON-CONFORMING BUILDING REMODEL: BRIAN RIPP, HICKORY RIDGE DAIRY, 5411 RIPP RD.

The Ripp would like to make improvements to their non-conforming shed in excess of 50% of the assessed value; they'd like to raise the back wall to add a gabled roof and are not requesting to change the footprint of the building. Supervisors noted the other non-conforming building on their property, the granary is the more problematic of the two and asked if the applicants would be willing to remove the granary in exchange for permission to make the requested upgrades to the building of discussion.

Motion by Chairperson Pulvermacher, seconded by Sup. Dresen to refer to the attorney for an opinion and if he needs specifics, he can call the town chair, and will put back on the agenda in two weeks. Motion carried, 5-0.

10. ACCESS TO TOWN HALL OFFICES

Supervisors discussed options to ensure emergency accessibility, while limiting the number of keys issued; a lock box in the hall with an access code was proposed and will be discussed at the next meeting.

11. ELECTION REPORT

The election went smoothly, with a small turnout of 275 people voting in person; we had a record breaking 795 absentee ballots cast. We were stretched thin on staff and had two National Guard members working the polls. We were not able to produce any results or tallies, that will be done after 4 p.m., Monday, April 13th.

12. CD RENEWAL: PARK ACCOUNT \$15,801

Motion by Sup. Laufenberg, seconded by Sup. Dresen to invest the CD with Monona Bank for 18 months at 1.02%. Motion carried, 5-0.

13. JOINT MEETING WITH CITY OF MIDDLETON—AIRPORT, TRAFFIC AND EROSION CONTROL

Staff was directed to schedule a joint meeting with the City of Middleton Common Council in a month or so, preferably in person.

14. SCHEDULING &/OR POSTPONEMENT OF ANNUAL MEETING AND BOARD MEETINGS

The annual meeting will be available for attendance by phone and by video conference this year and will be called to order as scheduled. It is uncertain if the meeting will immediately be adjourned.

15. OLD BUSINESS

a. ATVS ON TOWN ROADS

Staff was directed to update the Town of Berry's ordinance with our information and forward to the town attorney for review.

b. WHIPPOORWILL CULVERT AND CUL DE SAC

c. OUTDOOR STORAGE AND VIOLATIONS

The Clerk has not had an opportunity to draft a letter for review.

d. KINGSLEY CEMETERY GARDEN SHED MAINT.

Sup. Dresen will assess the situation and report back to the board.

e. BLIGHT: 7139 COUNTY HWY K

Things are starting to accumulate again.

f. 2020 ROAD PROJECTS

After deliberation the board would like to only spend approximately \$100,000 of the major roads budget initially, with approximately \$30,000 spent on crack filling, \$30,000 for the Whippoorwill cul de sac, and the remaining money for ditching. The board would also like to get prices on redoing Schneider Road from Enchanted Valley to Sunrise.

g. IGA WITH WAUNAKEE

h. STATUS UPDATE ON MEINHOLZ QUARRY LITIGATION

Staff was directed to forward the email from our attorney to the Quarry List.

i. TDR SENDING AREA REQUIREMENTS—3RD PARTY HOLDER

Staff will check the status and report back.

j. POTENTIAL LAND ACQUISITION BY TOWN

The land is no longer being purchased by the prospective seller. This can be removed from the agenda.

16. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sup. Dresen: The meeting was cancelled.

Sup. Meinholz: The meeting was cancelled.

Sup. Statz: Nothing to report.

Sup. Laufenberg: Will meet again in May.

Chairman Pulvermacher:

Staff was directed to contact Advanced Disposal to ask about delaying Large Item Drop Off Day until June.

17. ROAD PATROLMAN'S REPORT

Enchanted Valley will be starting the end of April; a letter will be sent with a timeline instructing questions be directed to engineer. Patrolman Ripp heard no objection to placing the same salt order as last year and will be starting on shoulders next week.

18. CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE—PORTA POTTY REQUIREMENT BY R BAR

Staff was directed to send R Bar a letter asking them to consider the request received by the Town.

19. APPROVAL OF BILLS AS PRESENTED

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

20. ADJOURN

Motion by Sup. Meinholz, seconded by Sup. Dresen to adjourn the meeting at 9:18 p.m. Motion carried, 5-0.