MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 17, 2019, 7:30 P.M.

Town Board Meeting

Springfield Town Hall

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 and Dan Dresen present. Supervisors Bill Statz and Art Meinholz are absent.

Also present were Road Patrolman Darin Ripp, Clerk-Treasurer Dianah Fayas, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Doreen Jackson, Deborah Rosenberg, Patrick Ryan, Tim Geoghegan, Scott Ripp, Marci Henderson, Dan Pietrzykowski, and Vern Jesse.

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

Mr. Patrick Ryan asked about the outcome of the non-mineral extraction ordinance exploratory meeting and was informed that the group would like more information on the blasting levels that are typically reached in order to compare them to State thresholds to determine if the Town should consider lower thresholds via ordinance. In response to a question by Mr. Ryan about the outcome of his meeting with the City of Middleton’s administrator, Chairman Pulvermacher informed the Board and attendees that he and Mr. Davis had an informal conversation about some of the history and status of issues impacting both communities, such as the Yahara Materials Meinholz quarry, Bellefontaine Parkway, High road, etc.

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: SEPT. 3, 2019

**Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to approve the minutes. Motion carried, 3-0.**

1. CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT

Chairman Pulvermacher reported he spoke with Mr. Jake Neisen about the possibility of the Towns of Springfield and Berry funding the installation of a cul de sac on Whippoorwill Road.

1. OPERATOR’S LICENSES: CATHERINE MEINHOLZ, RANDY KALSCHEUER, AND LORI MEINHOLZ FOR ST. PETER’S

**Motion by Sup. Laufenberg, seconded by Sup. Dresen to approve the operator’s licenses for Catherine Meinholz, Randy Kalscheuer and Lori Meinholz. Motion carried, 3-0.**

1. DRIVEWAY APPLICATION: SCOTT RIPP, WOODLAND DR.

Mr. Ripp would like to relocate the existing driveway to the east to accommodate the replacement home to be built. He plans to replace the 24” culvert and move the ditch line and culvert back from the road where it should be.

**Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to grant the driveway permit for Scott Ripp at 6992 Woodland Drive. Motion carried, 3-0.**

1. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PC :
   1. ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #3—SIGNS

MOTION BY MR. PULVERMACHER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BEGLINGER TO ADOPT ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #3 AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.

**Motion by Sup. Laufenberg, seconded by Sup. Dresen to approve the sign ordinance in 8a. Motion carried, 3-0.**

* 1. ST. PETER’S CATHOLIC SCHOOL SIGNAGE

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER ACKER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WRIGHT TO APPROVE THE SIGN APPLICATION FOR ST. PETER’S CHURCH. MOTION CARRIED, 7-0.

**Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to grant St. Peter’s Catholic School signage for two signs, one wall sign and one ground sign as presented. Motion carried, 3-0.**

* 1. STAGECOACH PLUMBING SIGNAGE

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER ACKER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BEGLINGER TO APPROVE ONE WALL SIGN OF THE APPLICANT’S LOCATION CHOICE, I.E. SIDE OR FRONT OF BUILDING, WITH THE OPTION TO CHANGE THEIR APPLICATION TO ASK FOR AN ADDITIONAL GROUND SIGN, OR THE APPLICANT CAN FILE FOR A VARIANCE FOR THE SECOND WALL SIGN. MOTION CARRIED, 4-0.

**Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to grant Stagecoach Plumbing their signage, to stay under 50 ft. sq.; it can be either on the building or on the ground. Motion carried, 3-0.**

* 1. ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT #4--OUTDOOR STORAGE

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER BEGLINGER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WRIGHT TO APPROVE THE ORDINANCE AMENDMENT AND RECOMMEND TO TOWN BOARD. MOTION CARRIED, 6-0; MR. PULVERMACHER ABSTAINED.

**Motion by Sup. Laufenberg, seconded by Sup. Dresen to approve the ordinance in 8d. Motion carried, 3-0.**

Staff was directed to add this item to the next agenda to discuss enforcement.

* 1. REZONE & PRELIMINARY PLAT: HWY. 12 & 19, PARCEL 0808-064-8200-4; 37.2 ACRES FROM A-1EX TO SFR, COM AND NBR ZONING

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER WOLFE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BEGLINGER TO DENY THE APPLICATION AS THE INFORMATION REQUESTED BY TOWN PROFESSIONALS HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED WITHIN THE ALLOTTED TIMEFRAME AND THE FLOODING CONCERNS AND LACK OF HIGHWAY ACCESS HAVE NOT BEEN ADDRESSED. MOTION CARRIED, 6-0; MR. PULVERMACHER ABSTAINED.

**Motion by Sup. Laufenberg, seconded by Sup. Dresen to deny the plat for the 37.2 acre Highway 12/19 project for the conditions in MSA’s February 26th letter. Motion carried, 3-0.**

1. TOWN ROAD STANDARDS

The Board discussed increasing the road standards to 12” of base and 4” of asphalt and directed staff to add the ordinance change to the next agenda.

1. MINERAL EXTRACTION ORDINANCE WORKGROUP & POSSIBLE COMMITTEE CREATION

Two town supervisors and two town plan commissioners met to review non-mineral extraction ordinances and discuss if a need exists for the Town to develop and adopt an ordinance. Staff was directed to gather blasting data to compare against blasting thresholds to see where in the blast parameters current blasting typically occurs, near the high end, the low end or in the middle, which would help determine whether additional restrictions beyond the State regulations are needed. Inquiries thus far have determined that while blasters are required to record and save their data, they are not required to submit their seismographic records to the State to be made available for public inspection. Supervisors would like to discuss whether to create a non-mineral extraction ordinance committee at the next meeting.

**Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to table until the next meeting. Motion carried, 3-0.**

1. *VOLUNTEER FUNDS ORDINANCE FOR EMS & FIRE DISTRICTS*

A neighboring municipality created this ordinance to allow the EMS and Fire district boards access to financial records of volunteer fund accounts and to request audits of those funds.

**Motion by Chairman Pulvermacher, seconded by Sup. Dresen to have staff update with the Town’s information and put on the next agenda. Motion carried, 3-0.**

1. *AUGUST FINANCIALS*

The Board will review the reports in detail at their convenience in preparation for October budget meetings.

1. LRIP APPLICATION – ENCHANTED VALLEY II

Due to the low number of application submittals, MSA will be preparing and submitting a grant application for reconstruction of Enchanted Valley south of Schneider Road.

1. RFP FOR AUDITING SERVICES

A request for proposals has been put together and sent out to local auditing firms, per the direction of the Board last December to compare prices.

1. ENGINEERING INVOICE FOR SIGNAGE MEMO

**Motion by Sup. Laufenberg, seconded by Sup. Dresen for the Town to pay this invoice. Motion carried, 3-0.**

1. OLD BUSINESS
   1. REZONE & PRELIMINARY PLAT: HWY. 12 & 19 (SEE #8E ABOVE)
   2. LEVY LIMIT WORKSHEET: PREVIOUS YEAR’S UNUSED LEVY. RESOLUTION 2019- \_\_\_(04)

**Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to direct the Clerk to address the State with our levy limit concerns of approximately $14,000. Motion carried, 3-0.**

* 1. BLIGHT
     1. 7166 COUNTY HIGHWAY K
     2. J.A.R. STORAGE

The owner has submitted a CUP & rezone application with the Plan Commission; this item can be removed from the agenda.

* + 1. 7139 COUNTY HIGHWAY K
    2. 7759 MARTINSVILLE RD.
  1. ZONING VIOLATION: MILLERS, 6236 US HWY. 12
  2. KINGSLEY CEMETERY GARDEN SHED MAINTENANCE
  3. BITTERSWEET CT. TOWN ROAD PARKING ISSUE

**Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to send a letter to the home owner directing them to attend a board meeting to discuss the parking situation. Motion carried, 3-0.**

1. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sup. Dresen: Middleton Fire District had a budget meeting and should have a final budget number Thursday. Sup. Dresen attended the Waunakee EMS meeting for Sup. Meinholz; the board has narrowed their options down to two ambulances with the research committee making the final decision. There is going to be a substantial increase in the Waunakee EMS budget; lack of staffing continues to be an issue.

Sup. Laufenberg: There has been a lot of recycled blacktop hauled up Meffert Road and being stored in a feed trench at Duane Wagner’s. The Board directed staff to ask Mr. Wagner about it.

Chairman Pulvermacher: Fire Districts and Departments are asking municipalities to specify the amount of their payment that is from 2% Dues distribution, as that funding can only be used on specific expenses. Chairman Pulvermacher would like to meet with Chairman Varda from Berry to discuss the Whippoorwill Road dead end and other common topics. Waunakee Fire’s budget is expected to increase.

1. ROAD PATROLMAN’S REPORT

Large Item Drop Off Day is Saturday, October 5th. Patrolman Ripp will get prices on ditch repairs to Enchanted Valley where it was impacted by last fall’s flooding and the slurry seal on Schneider Road.

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

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

1. ADJOURN

**Motion by Sup. Dresen, seconded by Sup. Laufenberg to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m. Motion carried, 3-0.**