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Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday July 9th, 2024

7pm

1. Chairman Jochimsen called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. Roll Call: Present:

Chairman Kurt Jochimsen

Supervisor Paul Drexler

Supervisor Lori Hollatz

Clerk Alexandra Skaya

Treasurer Julaine Aschenbrenner

Sanitation Employee George Schneider

Roads Supervisor Luke Serwe – Not present

1. **Public Comment** –
   1. Shardell Meidl commented on behalf of MaryEl subdivision that they would like to thank the town board and the road committee for following through with the blacktop project on Balsam Rd. It has been a wonderful improvement to the township.
   2. Vicki Hughes thanked the board for putting up the stop signs on Ridgeway, and hopefully they will be utilized more properly. Still waiting for the speed limit signs to come in, and wondering if a no outlet sign could also be placed so that traffic that isn’t necessary may be deterred. Concerned about bar by her home not following certain orders in place regarding occupancy restrictions, private parties, and food concerns. Also has concerns regarding its mound being saturated.
   3. Nick Simon thanked the board for the Balsam Rd project. Wondering if the town could consider placing slow, children present signs along the road to encourage drivers to follow the 45mph speed limit that is posted. Also noted that the MaryEl boat landing has been ripped up quite a bit due to all of the rain.
2. **Minutes** – Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to approve the town board meeting minutes from the June 4th, 2024, meeting. Motion carried.
3. **Voucher Approval** - Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to approve vouchers 18146 - 18184 including automatic withdrawals totaling $363,027.92. Motion carried.
4. **REPORTS:**
   1. **Road Report** – Luke Serwe not present, Chairman Jochimsen provided the road report. Roads throughout the town have been graded. Road signs were placed and ditches were dug on Schnelle Rd.
   2. **Fire Commission** – Gary Heil provided the fire commission report. Adam Maguire will be resigning as of July 1st 2024, which is past his 4 year commitment. Kristy Hughes is helping out in the interim and they have advertised at multiple locations to find a replacement. The initial quote for the tanker truck came back at $386,000 which was overbudget, so they are waiting for an estimate on a different truck. Next meeting is July 10th.
   3. **Treasurer’s Report** – Julaine Aschenbrenner provided the Treasurer’s report including cash balances. CD will mature next month and will close out that account once it is matured. The town garage loan papers are finalized and ready to be signed. Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to approve town garage loan with Partners Bank for up to $600,000 for a non-revolving line of credit with an interest rate of 5.85%. Motion carried. Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to approve the Treasurer’s report. Motion carried. Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to transfer all funds from the ARPA account including interest to general checking. Transfer $174,000 from the town garage loan account to general checking. Transfer $100,000 from tax account to general checking. Motion carried. Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to approve recurring general road loan for up to $200,000 for the 2024 year with an interest rate of 5.85%. Motion carried.
   4. **Clerk Report** – Alexandra Skaya provided the Clerk Report. Regulatory filings have been completed. Liquor licenses were completed and filed with the state. 1 utility permit was issued. 2024 budget to actual was completed. On August 13th the partisan primary election will take place and trainings and updates are occurring.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. **Town Garage** – Mark Kilty was present and gave an update on the new town garage construction. Things are moving along well. The stell and trusses are coming in and about 75% of framing materials are on-site. Well bids were discussed. Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to approve Brunner Well Drilling for the town garage well with the estimate $7800.00 as written with possible hydrofracting and complete water system if needed. Motion carried.
2. **Balsam Road Update** – Balsam Road blacktop should be completed by the end of the week.
3. **Health & Safety Ordinance – Solar Panel Fields** – No action taken at this time.
4. **Culvert Inventory** – No action taken.
5. **ARIP** – Paul Drexler is communicating with Joe Brueggen on the details of this grant.
6. **Liquor Licenses** – All liquor licenses have been issued and filed with the state.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Wisconsin Valley Improvement –** The board will sign and submit the contract from the Wisconsin Valley Improvement Company. This contract sets forth the boundaries and regulations for who maintains certain properties of the MaryEl boat landing.
2. **Noise Ordinance –** The board is looking into establishing a possible noise ordinance for the town. More research will be done with surrounding towns, villages, etc. to see the basic set of standards.
3. **Dog Kennel Regulations –** Due to concerns regarding dog kennels and licensing, the board is looking into establishing a set ordinance in regards to dog kennels and/or properties that have multiple dogs. Research will be done with surrounding towns, villages, etc to see basic sets of standards.
4. **August Meeting Date –** Due to the Partisan Primary Election on August 13th, the clerk is asking the board to consider changing the regular town board
5. meeting date. Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to approve changing the August meeting date to Tuesday, August 6th 2024 at 7pm. Motion carried.
6. **Correspondence** –
   1. On July 25th 2024, the Wisconsin Towns Association will be holding its annual joint eastern & western meetings at 7pm at Memories Ballroom in Marathon. Several members of the board plan to attend.

Motion (Hollatz/Drexler) to adjourn at 8:06pm. Motion Carried.

Submitted by: Alexandra Skaya, Clerk on July 13th, 2024 - Next Regular Board Meeting Tuesday August 6th, 2024.