

## Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board Meeting of the Township of Spring Green

Proceedings of the Town of Spring Green Regular Board Meeting, held at 7:12 pm on Thursday, July 6, 2017 at the Town Hall located at E4411 Kennedy Road, Spring Green, and Wisconsin:

1. **Call to Order:** Kevin Lins, Town Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:12 pm.
2. **Legal Posting:** Jenny Pappas, Clerk certified compliance with the open meeting law.
3. **Roll Call:** Members present were Chairperson Kevin Lins, Supervisor Dave Radel, Supervisor Carla Carmody, Clerk Jenny Pappas and Treasurer Karen Shelton. Also present were: Bill Mertens, Marian Copus, Louis Weston, Kolby Hirth, Benny Stenner, Fred Iausly, Caryl Sprecher, Jim Sprecher and Dennis Polivka.
4. **Adopt Agenda:** Radel moved and Carmody seconded to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried.
5. **Approve Minutes:** Carmody moved and Radel seconded to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2017 Regular Board Meeting and June 29, 2017 Special Board Meeting as presented. Motion carried.
6. **Treasurer's Report:** Shelton reported beginning balance of \$405,599.90 with receipts of \$14,364.75 and disbursements of \$27,370.52 leaving a balance of \$392,594.13. Radel moved and Carmody seconded to file the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried.
7. **Monthly Bills/Invoices:** Radel moved and Carmody seconded to approve the monthly bills/invoices for payment as presented. Motion carried.
8. **Chairperson & Supervisors Reports:**  
Chairperson's report/Kevin Lins:
  - June 1<sup>st</sup> We had a BOR meeting here at the hall where we rescheduled the BOR for July 20<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.
  - June 6<sup>th</sup> Received an email from our assessor Eric Kleven with a list of accounts that did not send back the Personal Property Tax form from the assessor this last spring. It turned out to be 26 out of 75 accounts that were not returned. We should consider discussing this list with our assessor at the next BOR.
  - June 6<sup>th</sup> Received an email from Madeline Gotkowitz attaching the data I requested earlier and a note noting they removed their monitoring equipment from the well because of budget cuts.
  - June 22<sup>nd</sup> Attended the Sauk County Intergovernmental Meeting at the UW-Baraboo Campus. First speaker was Dr. Charles Clark who is the regional Dean for UW-Baraboo. He mentioned a study that showed a \$3.00 return to Sauk County for every dollar brought in from the State which happened to be \$3M for 2015 and 2.6M for 2016. Next speaker was Cathy Sandeen who is the Chancellor for UW Colleges and the UW Extension. She mentioned that they were trying to promote internships with local employees within Sauk County so that the students stay in the area. She also mentioned that the UW Extension returns \$1.5 dollars for every dollar brought in from both State and Federal sources. Last speaker was Sarah Pittz who is the Sauk County Placemaking Consultant and she talked about the final update of the draft of the Place Plan which is a 220 page document that was to be on the County website the next day. The Plan consists of three sections: Narrative, Action Plan and Appendices.
  - June 24<sup>th</sup> and June 25<sup>th</sup> I went to some neighbors along County Hwy. G, Pearl Road, State Hwy. 23 and Jones Road and had them sign a note indicating that 25/3 broadband speed is not available in their area. I then forwarded the 16 signatures to Brett Schuppner (Reedsburg Utility) along with a map indicating their location for the broadband grant application.
  - June 29<sup>th</sup> Terry Feiner brought over the CSM for Jason Schaad which I signed after Tracy Johnson called and said everything was ok.
  - June 29<sup>th</sup> We had a special meeting in order to approve a MOU between the Town, Village and Reedsburg Utility needed for the broadband grant application.
  - June 30<sup>th</sup> Received an email from Jenny with the monthly readings on the water levels in the various wells. Brad is now doing the Jones Road location again.
  - July 5<sup>th</sup> Received an email from Kolby Hirth indicating she and her husband Tom installed the new cemetery signs on July 4<sup>th</sup>.
  - Since last meeting I drove my scissor lift over and fixed a long leaking eaves trough splice on the east side of the Town Hall, replaced a faulty antenna for one of the garage door openers and replaced two sets of lights in the shop.

Supervisor Report/Dave Radel:

- June 3<sup>rd</sup> Had a resident call about days and hours of operation at the Recycling Center. I instructed the resident as to where to find that information on the Town's web page.

- June 15<sup>th</sup> Attended Sauk County mid-year budget meeting held in Plain. The average tax bill in the county is \$3,663.00, 41% of the county budget is generated from county tax dollars received, and total expenses for the county are \$80 million per year. The group discussed the following:
  - What do you think are the most important trends facing your community?
  - What are the greatest challenges and greatest opportunities facing your community?
  - What is Sauk County doing well and should continue?
  - What is Sauk County not doing or needs to do better?
- June 17<sup>th</sup> I received a call from a resident that there was a lot of garbage sitting along Ruetten Dr. The garbage was placed at the end of the driveway from a home that had gone into foreclosure. I contacted the realtor of the property and was told the garbage would be removed in a couple of days. I kept an eye on this for a few days and the garbage was still there. Animals were starting to get into cans and bags. Brad and I collected the garbage and put it into the personal dumpsters of Kevin and me.
- June 22<sup>nd</sup> Attended the bid opening at Jewell and Associates for Rainbow Road.
- June 22<sup>nd</sup> Attended the Intergovernmental meeting in Baraboo.
- June 27<sup>th</sup> Brad and I did a road tour with Scott's Construction. Final plans are being made for 2017 road repair.
- June 29<sup>th</sup> Met with Jim & Caryl Sprecher and Doug and Joni Brander along with Kevin Shelley and Melissa Keenan. This meeting came about from a resident's request to meet with the local farms that the drainage ditch runs through. This was in regards to the sand that fills a portion of the drainage ditch. I spoke with Dale Clark as well earlier in the month. Kevin Shelley is from the University of Wisconsin. He is the outreach program manager for the State's nutrient and pest management program. Melissa Keenan is from Sauk County resource planning and zoning department. She is the acting director of land and water management for the county. This meeting was brought together in a joint effort of the Sprechers and Branders to look for possible solutions to reduce the threat of future blowing of sand into the drainage ditch. Melissa and Kevin will be getting me a copy of their report as to what they found and possible solutions for the future. Hope to have this report for next month's meeting.

Supervisor Report/Carla Carmody:

- No report.

9. **Comment from the Public:** There was no comment from the public.

10. **Reports:**

- a. **Patrolman:** Haas reported working on the following during the month of June: patching, finished first round of roadside mowing, worked on trimming trees on Horseshoe Road, and cleaned overhead doors.
- b. **Building Inspector:** No Report.
- c. **Emergency Planning:** No Meeting.
- d. **Plan Commission:** Continued work on the Comprehensive Plan.
- e. **Extraterritorial Zoning Committee:** No Meeting.
- f. **Fire District:** No Meeting.

11. Agenda Items for discussion and/or action by the Town Board:

- a. **Discussion/possible action on Ordinance 2017-0706, regarding an amendment to the Code of Ordinances, specifically the addition of Chapter 18 – Wood Burning Facility along with revisions to Appendix A – Fee Schedule:** Carmody moved and Radel seconded to approve Ordinance 2017-0706 as presented. Motion carried.
- b. **Discussion/possible action regarding Cemetery Committee Appointment:** Lins nominated Michael Mertens to the Cemetery Committee. Radel moved and Carmody seconded to approve the nomination as presented. Motion carried.
- c. **Discussion/possible action regarding Joint Extraterritorial Zoning Committee Appointment:** No action was taken regarding the Joint Extraterritorial Zoning Committee Appointment.
- d. **Discussion/possible action regarding bid for Rainbow Road Project:** Lins stated the Rainbow Road bid opening at Jewell and Associates on June 22<sup>nd</sup> produced only one bid. The bid received from Lepke Trucking was as follows: \$439,646.17 for 2" asphalt and \$473,827.37 for 2 ½" Asphalt. Lins noted the budgeted amount for the project was approximately \$240,000. The board discussed the TRIP funds along with the possibility of re-bidding the project in the fall so as to properly budget for the project. Possible reasons the bid came in high – the project was bid out late, contractors are behind due to rainy weather and the requirement for an archeologist on site. Radel moved and Carmody seconded to reject the bid from Lepke Trucking for the Rainbow Road Project. Motion carried.
- e. **Discussion/possible action regarding alternate road projects for 2017:** The board discussed alternate road projects based on Brad's list of priority projects. These included: Kennedy Road (hot mix wedge)

\$1,798, Horseshoe Road (sealing/hot mix wedge) \$21,201, Paulus Road (misc seal coat) \$19,080 and Butternut Road (hot mix wedge/misc seal coat) \$38,059. Total cost of projects \$80,138. Radel moved and Carmody seconded to approve the alternate road projects for 2017 in the amount of \$80,138 as presented. Motion carried.

f. **Discussion/possible action regarding a press release in support of the River Valley Broadband Grant Application:** Carmody moved and Radel seconded to move forward with a press release in support of the River Valley Broadband Grant Application. Motion carried.

g. **Discussion/possible action regarding sand that has washed into the North ditch at the corner of Mercer and Big Hollow Roads:** Carmody stated there is a hump in the ditch that is grassed over. Radel stated there is some sand in the area; there is still a downhill slope in there. Haas stated he mowed out the area. Lins stated this area was originally backfilled with sand and then rocks were put in. Haas stated he feels if it is dug out it will create an even worse situation. Lins stated he spoke to Fred and Greg at Jewell and they explained when the sediment pond is full of groundwater, the outlet is four feet higher than the bottom of the box culverts – the box culverts act as a settling basin and most of the dirt will settle out in this area. Lins stated this is a choke point. Carmody stated water backs up into the north ditch and asked how much sand the board is going to allow to get in there. No action taken.

12. **Adjourn:** Radel moved and Carmody seconded to adjourn at 8:22 pm. Motion carried.