

Board Meeting
August 18, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Chair Jennifer Meyer. People in attendance were: Supervisors – Jeff Whyte, Mona Mathews, Paul Travis, Jeff Bechard, Clerk Beverly Christopherson, and Treasurer John McLaughlin. See attached list of attendees.

Meeting was set up so that Town residents could also attend the meeting via Zoom.

Flag Salute

CSM: Mark Benson land division Land Surveyor: Eric Knauf: Eric Knauf was in attendance to speak to the Board. Eric Knauf let the Board now that what Mark Benson is proposing to do is to combine both into one on the CSM. This would be zoned A2. Mr. Benson would like to build a house on the second lot and needs to combine them to do so. Eau Claire County has no issues with the CSM. City of Eau Claire is waiting on soil test for lot 2. Mr. Benson already has a driveway permit. Supervisor Jeff Bechard made a motion to approve CSM for Mark Benson. Supervisor Jeff Whyte seconded the motion, all voted yes motion carries.

Approval to adjust storm water detention pond affidavit: Pleschak Land Surveyor: Eric Knauf: Eric Knauf was in attendance to address the Board on this issue. Mr. Pleschak has purchased land in J&C Subdivision. The first step for them is to get completed for plat. This was a request from Eau Claire County, in order for them to build they needed to purchase lot 5, which is frontage on Xiong Blvd. Mr. Pleschak will be joining lot 5 with the 40 acres he has already purchased. Mr. Pleschak will be building adjacent to lot 5. Eau Claire County requested the consolidation so that Lot 5 could not be sold by itself. DNR has given the wetland exemption. Jared Grande from Eau Claire County and engineers have reviewed this and found that storm water does exit normally through the ground and the 2 exit features in place. Eau Claire County Engineer has reviewed the affidavit and notes we are altering the plat, the next step will be a CSM. Supervisor Jeff Bechard asked who will be responsible for the storm water retention pond going forward? He does not want the Town to have any issues with the storm water pond in the future. Eric Knauf mentioned that he has read the covenants and does not see anything in them in regards to the storm water ponds. Supervisor Jeff Bechard would like to see something noted on the CSM of whom is to take care of the Storm Water detention pond. Supervisor Mona Mathews made a motion to approve the adjustment to storm water detention pond affidavit with Supervisor Jeff Bechard's notation. Jeff Bechard seconded the motion. All voted yes, motion carries.

Roads

A. Scott Construction Chip Seal Update: Scott Construction should start work next week. Eau Claire County has swept Becker Rd.

B. Cedar Corp./Chayne Rd. Update: Chair Jennifer Meyer, Supervisor Jeff Whyte, and Dennis Mack from Cedar Corp. have met with Bobcat Express to update on the work being done on Chayne Rd. Bobcat Express is looking at changing their entrance and that would be easier for the work being done as it would then be coming straight in. The changing of the entrance will be done when all work is done on Chayne.

C. Menomonie/Skyline: Supervisor Jeff Whyte has not heard anything.

D, Glory Lane update: Chair Jennifer Meyer spoke with Jon Johnson and this is still be worked on.

E. Any Other road business. Supervisor Jeff Whyte mentioned that the Fire Dept is mowing the ditches.

Visit Eau Claire: Dashboard handed out. Visit Eau Claire gave their report by Zoom.

Park Commission

A. Chair Report: Fred Belay was at meeting to give his report. Mr. Belay said at this time the Park Commission is working with Cedar Corp on Outdoor Rec Plan. Park Commission hopes to adopt in September or October. Park Commission would like to have a picnic this fall. Park Commission has designated the Park Board Chair to be on the Visit Eau Claire Board.

B. 2021 Parks Checking Account: Park Commission has passed a resolution to have their own checking account. Supervisor Jeff Bechard mentioned he thinks it would be a good idea to check with the Towns Association on legal aspects of this. Mr. Bechard asked why using the credit card or the Menards charge accounts don't work. Park Commission would like to have their own checking account. Town Clerk will look into this for them.

Township Fire Station #3 – Battalion Chief Report

A. Battalion Chief Report. Battalion Chief Dave Kleist was not at the meeting so Supervisor Paul Travis gave an update. Township Fire had a large fire at Randy's Auto Salvage and one employee did go to the hospital and a couple firefighters were treated for dehydration. Brunswick had a house fire. Last month had 4 structure fires. Tender is in Wausau and should be here in September.

B. Fire Number Discussion: Chair Jennifer Meyer would like to discuss how the Town wants to handle the worn-out fire number signs? Chris Turner has a list of ones to replace and he would like to know if he should replace and charge \$25 or how the Town Board would like handled? He does have some that are on the wrong side of the road also. Town Board would like Chris Turned to keep a ledger of those that need to be replaced. Town will also look at how Chris Turner is paid and will budget accordingly to replace fire number signs.

Constable Report: No report turned in.

Building Inspector Report: No report turned in.

Website assistance follow up/Mona Mathews: Supervisor Mona Mathews has nothing new to report. The two applicants she had did not work out. Chair Jennifer Meyer has a 16-year-old that is interested. His sister works at JB Systems. This is the company that set up the website.

Board Reports:

MPO: August 26th is next meeting

Tourism: August 19th is next meeting and will be by Zoom

TFD: Chair Jennifer Meyer has been attending regularly. TFD has a special meeting to update on dispatcher. Settlement has been reached for fire with Tree Savvy and it did not go to court.

WTA: Chair Jennifer Meyer and Supervisor Mona Mathews went on July 29th and it was held in Pleasant Valley. Changes to the way drive permitting is being done. The way reports are done is also changing. Next meeting in November will be by Zoom only. The WTA Convention will also be virtual and done on your own.

Elk Lake Rehabilitation: Chair Jennifer Meyer attended and they will have assessments this year for tax roll.

Citizen Input & Questions

Review/Approve previous meetings minutes: Supervisor Mona Mathews made a motion to approve minutes as presented to Board with changes from Chair Jennifer Meyer. Supervisor Jeff Whyte seconded the motion. All voted yes, motion carries.

Approval Underground Cables – Chair Jennifer Meyer had 1 for Remington Court.

Treasurers Report:

A. Report: Treasurer John Mclaughlin handed out his report. Treasurer John Mclaughlin wanted to mention to the Board that interest revenue has gone way down, he will be going to talk to the bank to see what can be moved around. Revenue from the transfer station was \$11,509 and last year was \$8,788 so it is up. Advanced bills were \$17,159. Board will be looking at pricing for larger items brought to the transfer station.

Review/Approval Bills: Clerk presented list of Accounts Payables to the Board for approval. Chair Jennifer Meyer asked the Board if they wanted to be part of WTA/TAC? Town of Union has not done in the past. Supervisor Mona Mathews made a motion to approve joining WTA/TAC and approve bills as presented to Board. Seconded by Supervisor Paul Travis. All voted yes, motion carries.

Review/Approve: Licenses:

A: Operators – Supervisor Paul Travis made a motion to approve all Operators Licenses as presented to Board. Supervisor Mona Mathews seconded the motion. All voted yes, motion carries.

B. Liquor & Tobacco – Supervisor Paul Travis made a motion to approve Liquor Licenses as presented to Board. Supervisor Jeff Bechard seconded the motion. All voted yes, motion carries.

Town Hall Properties:

A. Transfer Station – trench in conduit for WWTC: Supervisor Paul Travis will be working on

B. Town Hall Parking Lot Light: Supervisor Paul Travis will be working on.

C. Town Hall Exterior Window: Windows ordered

D. Message Boards for Town Hall and Fire Station #3: Clerk Beverly Christopherson has ordered and they are backordered.

E. Town Hall rental discussion: Chair Jennifer Meyer received a call from a resident asking if they could rent the tables and chairs from the Town? Chair Jennifer Meyer does not feel this is something the town should do at this time with Covid.

Set next meeting dates and agendas: Comp Plan Sept. 3rd, Board Meeting September 8th.

Supervisor Mona Mathews made a motion to Adjourn at 9:05pm, Supervisor Paul Travis seconded the motion.