

Approved 8/28/2019
TOWN BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, July 24, 2019
7:00 p.m.
Freedom Town Hall
W2004 County Rd S

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, PLEDGE

Town Board Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Chairman Charles Kramer, Supervisors: Brandon Conrad, Dave Rickert, Kevin Schuh and Jason Vandenberg. Also present: Atty. Steven Frassetto, Public Works Director Steve Brueggeman, Deputy Clerk Treasurer Michelle Evers and Clerk Treasurer Barb Seegers. Silent prayer time and pledge done.

2. VERIFICATION OF POSTING AND ADOPT AGENDA

Meeting Posted by Clerk's office the 23RD day of July at 4:00 p.m. on 2 boards at the Town Hall and on Town Website.

Motion by Supv. Brandon Conrad with second by Supv. Jason Vandenberg to approve the agenda as posted. 5 Yes 0 No MC

3. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Motion by Supv. Conrad with second by Supv. Schuh to approve the minutes of the 5/22/19, 6/12/19 and 6/26/19 meetings as presented. 5 Yes 0 No MC

4. PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

Adam Fox asking the Board for small donation for Diamond #4. Also, would like to discuss naming rights for the diamond.

Jim Garvey questioned why brush was only being picked up in the Sanitary District. Was told that for the storm it was being picked up town wide.

5. EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT DIRECTOR – JEFF POLLARD - REPORT ON STORM

Jeff Pollard gave report on the storm and mentioned the storm was similar to 2013. He will be working with Town office and County on paperwork required to request emergency funds from state for cleanup costs.

6. AMEND SKUNK HILL LIQUOR LICENSE TO INCLUDE EVENT AUGUST 17

Motion by Supv. Charles Kramer with second by Supv. Kevin Schuh to amend Skunk Hill Liquor License to include August 17 retirement party event. 5 Yes 0 No MC

7. FREEDOM POLICE COMMISSION CONCERNING PROPOSED ACTION ON FREEDOM POLICE DEPT.

Dan Clearwater gave an update from Freedom Police to Town Board. He also stated the Town Board did not contact the Freedom Police Chief or Police Commission and did no research.

John Vosters expressed his concerns that they need to work with the Freedom Police/Police Commission to let them know the complaints.

Captain Dietzen gave his Outagamie County presentation to attendees.

Kathy Spierings expressed that there are pro/cons to both options and would like to know what majority of town wants. Thinks we need to do advisory vote.

Darrin Tiedt stated that the Board should ask the community what they want through an advisory vote.

Jon Gonnering voiced his concerns about losing personal touch in town. He stated the Town Board should work with Police Dept to find out and address the problem if there is one.

8. REVIEW CONTRACT BETWEEN OUTAGAMIE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND TOWN OF FREEDOM

Attorney Steve Frassetto reviewed the contract.

Bob Schuh mentioned the contract whether you go with the County for one year or 10 years, you are paralyzing this town.

Jolene Hutchleutner stated she is dedicated to police work and she feels that the new town board, police commission and police officers haven't put together enough effort to work together to fix the problem if there is one. She knows the county will do a great job as all police do a great job. She is saddened knowing these groups will not work together.

Jim Frederickson expressed his concerns that the town will keep growing and it will be too late with the local police gone.

Erin Otto stated that the Town should follow the proper procedures before taking this huge step.

9. RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE OUTAGAMIE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT. PROVIDE LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES WITHIN ALL PARTS OF THE TOWN OF FREEDOM, OUTAGAMIE COUNTY, WI, PURSUANT TO 59.03(2)(a) OF THE WISCONSIN STATUTES

Dan Clearwater stood up and asked all citizens at the meeting after the outcome of the resolution to not argue or yell, but to remain civil after decision.

Kevin Schuh voiced his concerns that he wants this decision to go to referendum as it will affect the community for many years to come.

Motion by Supervisor Brandon Conrad with second by Supervisor Jason VandenBerg to adopt Resolution #19-06 that Outagamie County Sheriff's Dept. provide law enforcement services within all parts of the Town of Freedom, Outagamie County, WI Pursuant to 59.03(2)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

3 Yes (Conrad, VandenBerg, Kramer) 2 No (Schuh, Rickert) MC

10. CONSIDERATION OF PAY REQUEST FOR FAHRNER ASPHALT SEALERS

Motion by Chairman Charles Kramer with second by Supervisor Kevin Schuh to approve the pay request for Fahrner Asphalt Sealers in the amount of \$23,665.00. 5 Yes 0 No MC

11. DISCUSSION ON REVISING YARD WASTE HOURS

Public Works Director Steve Brueggeman gave update on revising yard waste hours. Last Town Board approved yard waste open 24/7 to stop burning in town. A suggestion was 7am to 6pm Mon-Fri and some weekend times to avoid dumping outside of posted hours. Steve will contact other municipalities to gather some ideas/other options. Chairman Charles Kramer suggested raising the pay rate for recycling center employees.

12. CONSIDERATION OF FAA REQUEST FOR FUNDS FOR DIAMOND #4 INFIELD

Greg Shepard is requesting if the Town would help contribute to the Diamond #4 Infield. The total cost will be roughly \$50,000. Steve Brueggeman will schedule a Town Board Meeting with Park Committees and Freedom Athletic Association.

13. ACTION ON PROPOSALS FOR REPLACEMENT OF 2000 TRUCK

Motion by Supv. Brandon Conrad with second by Supv. Kevin Schuh to spend up to \$165,000 to purchase a new dump truck with the condition we trade in our current truck to help offset that cost. 5 Yes 0 No MC

14. CONSIDERATION OF OPERATOR'S LICENSE

Motion by Supv. Kevin Schuh with second by Supv. Dave Rickert to approve Operator's License for Deanne Abel, Margo Fox, Ashley Brouchoud, Orlena Wikoff and Peggy Hietpas pending Police Dept. approval. 5 Yes 0 No MC

15. AUTHORIZATION FOR CLERK TO SEND NUISANCE LETTERS TO PROPERTY OWNERS

Motion by Supv. Jason Vandenberg with second by Supv. Brandon Conrad to authorize the clerk to send nuisance letters to property owners. 5 Yes 0 No MC

16. DEPT./ATTORNEY REPORTS

Attorney reported on parking signs.
Public Works Department written report reviewed.
Clerk reported on election.

17. CONSIDERATION OF VOUCHERS

Motion by Supv. Brandon Conrad with second by Supv. Dave Rickert to approve Direct Deposits # 9306 to 9345 and General Fund Vouchers #30064 to 30100. 5 Yes 0 No MC

18. ADJOURN

Motion by Supv. Brandon Conrad with second by Supv. Dave Rickert to adjourn at 9:53p.m. 5 Yes 0 No MC

Michelle Evers, Deputy Clerk