

Approved: 10/27/2021

**TOWN BOARD MEETING MONDAY,
SEPTEMBER 20, 2021
6:00 p.m.
FREEDOM TOWN HALL
W2004 COUNTY RD S**

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, INVOCATION, PLEDGE Meeting

called to order by Chairman Charles Kramer at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Chairman Charles Kramer, Supv. Brandon Conrad, Supv. Jason Vandenberg, Supv. Kevin Schuh and Supv. Tim Maass. Also present: Clerk/Treasurer Colleen Laha and Dean Zanon from Cedar Corporation. Invocation Pledge recited.

2. VERIFICATION OF POSTING/ADOPT AGENDA

Posted on the 2 Boards at the Freedom Town Hall and on the Town website on the 16th day of September 2021 at 3:00 p.m. by the Clerk's Office. Also posted at: Dairyland Depot, Freedom Mini Mart, and Shop & Save Mart/Halesi, LLC.

Motion by Supv. Brandon Conrad with second by Supv. Tim Maass to adopt the agenda as posted.

Vote: 5 Yea / 0 Nay Motion Carried: Yes

3. CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST BY JEFF BAKER OF BUZZ'S TO AMEND LIQUOR LICENSE TO HOLD OUTDOOR EVENT SEPTEMBER 25, 2021, FROM 7:30 P.M. UNTIL 11:00 P.M.

The Town Board discussed complaints that were received from nearby residents about the noise from a previous outdoor event held at Buzz's. Supv. Jason Vandenberg spoke with Jeff Baker regarding the complaints. Baker will be addressing the complaints with the upcoming bands and exploring his options to avoid a similar situation in the future.

Motion by Supv. Jason Vandenberg with second by Supv. Brandon Conrad to approve the request by Jeff Baker of Buzz's to amend liquor license to hold outdoor event September 25, 2021, from 7:30 p.m. until 11:00 p.m.

Vote: 5 Yea / 0 Nay Motion Carried: Yes

4. OPERATOR LICENSES – Sara A. Green, Heather M. Jones

Motion by Supv. Jason Vandenberg with second by Supv. Tim Maass to approve operator licenses for Sara A. Green and Heather M. Jones.

Vote: 5 Yea / 0 Nay Motion Carried: Yes

5. CONSIDERATION & POSSIBLE ACTION ON TOWN HALL ROOF

Supv. Tim Maass was contacted by Northeast Roofing to discuss cost effective options. Troy Eick from Northeast Roofing discussed with the Town Board the different types of insulation that could reduce the cost of a new roof for the Town Hall. To hold the current contract pricing, it was decided to award the contract with Northeast Roofing and discuss possible change orders with them moving forward. The Town Hall roof is expected to be replaced next spring. ***Motion by Supv. Brandon Conrad with second by Supv. Kevin Schuh to award the Town Hall roof project to the low bidder - Northeast Roofing for \$95,823.00. Vote: 4 Yea / 0 Nay Motion Carried: Yes (Supv. Tim Maass – abstained)***

6. CONSIDERATION & POSSIBLE ACTION ON LANDSCAPING AT THE EMS/FIRE DEPT BUILDING

Supv. Jason Vandenberg reported that he had met with Devin Flanigan from Keller, Inc. to discuss the landscaping issues. Keller has agreed to finish up the edging around the blacktop by adding more soil and planting grass seed.

7. RESOLUTION 2021-04 - BUDGET AMENDMENTS -Tabled

8. DISCUSSION REGARDING ARPA FUND SURVEY

The Wisconsin Department of Revenue will be holding conversations with local leaders and organizations around the state to discuss the most effective ways for communities to use their ARPA funds.

To prepare for these discussions the Wisconsin Department of Revenue has emailed a four-question survey to the heads of local government.

The Town Board discussed ways the ARPA funds could be used most effectively for the Town of Freedom.

After the discussion the Town Board agreed that the survey should be completed as follows:

1. Have you held meetings with your community leaders and organizations to discuss how to spend ARPA funds?
YES
2. Are you preparing a long-term strategy for the allocation of funds? YES
3. Do you have a long-term plan for the community or a priority list of items you are reviewing for the allocating of ARPA funds?
YES
4. What are the three greatest challenges your community is currently facing?

Park improvements was also on the top of the list of greatest challenges but fell to number 4 on the list.

1. Roads
2. Fire Truck
3. Equipment

9. ADJOURN

Motion by Supv. Brandon Conrad with second by Supv. Tim Maass to adjourn at 6:40 p.m.

Vote: 5 Yea / 0 Nay Motion Carried: Yes

Colleen M. Laha, Clerk/Treasurer