

Approved 2/23/2022

TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2021

4:30 p.m.

FREEDOM TOWN HALL

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

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Charles Kramer at 4:32 p.m.

Members present: Chairperson Charles Kramer, Supervisor Jason Vandenberg, Supervisor Brandon Conrad, Supervisor Tim Maass and Supervisor Kevin Schuh.

Also present: Clerk/Treasurer Colleen Laha and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Jennifer Andersen. Chairperson Kramer led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. VERIFICATION OF POSTING/ADOPT AGENDA –

Posted on the 2 Boards at the Freedom Town Hall and on the Town website on the 23rd day of December 2021 at 2:00 p.m. by the Clerk's Office. Also posted at: Dairyland Depot, Freedom Mini Mart and Shop & Save Mart/ Halesi, LLC.

Chairperson Kramer amended the agenda and made the motion to add Open Discussion in the position of 2.5. Supervisor Brandon Conrad second the motion.

Vote: 5 Yea / 0 Nay Motion Carried: Yes

- 2.5 OPEN DISCUSSION –

A few Residents were not happy that roads were not plowed in a timely manner and speeding in a subdivision. Supervisor Jason Vandenberg explained that there are two new employees for the Town, and they are figuring out their routes. Jason said he was out early in the morning also and the County roads were not plowed yet but does understand and they will talk to them.

Another Resident asked why there has been so much turnover in the Department; Supervisor Jason Vandenberg asked if Resident would talk to him later, the Resident wanted to know now, it was a public meeting. One of the prior employees stated that it was because of Charlie. Charlie would micromanage, bullying and talk behind his back. Supervisor Brandon Conrad stated that the Town needs to hire a Public Works Director/Administrator because we have a five-member board, and they are all part-time. By having someone as a director would help the Department. One Resident stated it is the Clerk's responsibility to supervisor the Highway Department. Another Resident stated that the Town Board should not be paid for working for Highway or doing other jobs for the Town. Steve Frassetto stated it is allowed up to the statutory maximum.

3. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES OF BUDGET HEARING/SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OF ELECTORS
11/15/2021 –

Motion by Supervisor Brandon Conrad with second by Supervisor Kevin Schuh to approve the minutes of 11/15/2021.

Vote: 5 Yea / 0 Nay Motion Carried: Yes

4. CONSIDERATION/ACTION ON PURCHASING NEW TRACTOR –

**Supervisor Jason Vandenberg met with the highway employees and the tractor that the town has now is over twenty years old. The maintenance on the tractor has costed the town \$3000.00 already. Motion by Chairperson Charlie Kramer and second by Supervisor Brandon Conrad to approve purchasing a new tractor but not to exceed \$66,025.00.
Vote: 5 Yea / 0 Nay Motion Carried: Yes**

5. CONSIDERATION/ACTION ON PURCHASING TRAILER FOR THE PARK –

**Motion by Supervisor Brandon Conrad and second by Supervisor Tim Maass to approve purchasing a new trailer from Mirsberger Sales for \$3,295.00.
Vote: 5 Yea / 0 Nay Motion Carried: Yes**

6. CONSIDERATION OF OPERATOR LICENSES – **None**

7. CONSIDERATION OF DEVELOPERS AGREEMENT FOR TID #1 –

Town's Attorney Steve Frassetto stated other than a few typo errors this is the last piece of information needed besides Wisconsin of Revenue and Town getting approval process finished.

Motion by Supervisor Brandon Conrad and second by Supervisor Kevin Schuh to approve the Developers Agreement for TID #1.

Vote: 2 Yea / 1 Nay / 2 Abstain Chairperson Charlie Kramer opposed. Supervisor Tim Maass and Jason Vandenberg abstained. Motion Carried: Yes

Supervisor Brandon Conrad left meeting.

8. CONSIDERATION OF VOUCHERS/DIRECT DEPOSITS –

Motion by Supervisor Tim Maass and second by Supervisor Kevin Schuh to approve Vouchers numbered 32383 through 32416 and Direct Deposit E-Pay numbered 10405 through 10450.

4 Yea / 0 Nay Motion Carried: Yes

9. ANY BOARD CONCERNS –

Supervisor SO and SO asked Jeff Kussow from Cedar Corporation about the Ordinance on Stormwater with Outagamie County. Jeff stated he will look into, along with bonding on roads with Brad from Baird.

Supervisor Jason Vandenberg said email going around for grant on fire truck and Mark Green informed Jason with all the paperwork involved, he may not have time and chances are minimal for grant.

10. ADJOURN –

Motion by Supervisor Tim Maass with second by Supervisor Kevin Schuh to adjourn at 5:59 p.m.

4 Yea / 0 Nay Motion Carried: Yes

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Andersen