

Approved 6/24/2009
TOWN BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2009
6:30 P.M.
TOWN HALL
W2004 COUNTY S

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:45 p.m. by Chairman Tim Maass.

ROLL CALL

Board members present: Maass, Supervisors Steve Lowney, Don Gonnering, Pam LaPlant and Gabrielle Radford. Also present: Clerk Barb Seegers, Atty Steve Frassetto and Adm Asst. Colleen Laha.

VERIFICATION OF POSTING AND REVIEW/APPROVE AGENDA

I hereby certify that the agenda for the Wednesday, June 10, 2009 meeting of the Town Board was posted at the Town Hall on Tuesday, June 9, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. Also posted at Dairyland Depot, Freedom Mini Mart, Freedom Foods and Marathon Gas Station.

Motion by Radford/LaPlant to approve the agenda as posted. 5 Yes 0 No MC

MOTION by Radford/LaPlant TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION PER WI STATS 19.85(1) (g)(e) to confer with legal counsel concerning the investing of public funds, Industrial Park property negotiations, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

Roll Call Vote: Voting Aye – Maass, Lowney, LaPlant, Gonnering, Radford Voting Nay – None
Motion carried.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Motion by Radford/LaPlant to move to Open Session. 5 Yes 0 No MC

PLEDGE – recited

ANY ACTION AS A RESULT OF CLOSED SESSION - None

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF 5/27 MEETING

Motion by Radford/Lowney to approve minutes of May 27, 2009 meeting. 5 Yes 0 No MC

OPEN FLOOR SESSION

Dean Van Vreede questioned why the Board doesn't do something about the traffic on VandenBosch Rd. **Robert Bergmann** questioned whether the Park Committee meeting was posted as having 3 Board members in attendance or whether it was an illegal town board meeting. Maass told him that it was not posted as a Town Board meeting but that he was at the meeting for a short time to turn over the Park Committee to the new Chairperson, Steve Lowney.

RE-CONSIDERATION OF PREVIOUS MOTION ON TOWN HALL PARKING LOT BID APPROVAL

Motion by Radford/LaPlant to reconsider the motion made at June 10th meeting on the parking lot awarding the bid to Badger Highway. 5 Yes 0 no MC

Motion by Radford/Gonnering to approve bid of MCC at a cost of not to exceed \$23,964 minus the credit from Keller of \$2,976 for a final additional cost to the project of \$20,988. 5 Yes 0 No MC

AFFT(Activities for Freedom Teens) – DONATION REQUEST

Motion by Lowney/Gonnering to approve \$1,000 for AFFT (Activities for Freedom Teens). 5 Yes 0 No MC Board members also asked if other towns in the school district are contributing also.

MCC QUARRY EXPANSION – SKUNK HILL

Brian Murphy of MCC notified the Board of their plans to apply for a Conditional Use Permit to open the Skunk Hill Quarry. Property owners in the area will be notified.

LINDSAY CUMMINGS – DONATION FOR FREEDOM AREA COMMUNITY THEATRE

FACT is a non-profit tax exempt organization. Their first program , Murder Me Always, will cost \$2,075.00 and will be held August 6, 7, 8 and 9. Anyone can audition for parts in the community play.

Motion by Gonnering/LaPlant to approve \$500.00 for FACT. 5 Yes 0 No MC

CONSIDERATION OF DRIVEWAY EASEMENT ON LONEY COUNTY E PROPERTY

Discussion held on Loney request for CSM which will create four lots and change current access point. Property owner in previous lot splits was supposed to remove the barn and shed in proposed driveway/private road. Current property owner has now purchased the property and wants to change CSM to conform to the actual layout with the existing buildings and entrances/driveways. Under the current plan Loney would have to endure the costs of moving the current driveway for all three properties and removing the existing barn and shed. This change will affect only one other property owner who has agreed in writing to this change. This change will also create lot #4 which would have to be changed to Single Family Residential in order to be buildable. Board members agreed that this change could be done with the current rezoning being put together by the town.

Motion by Radford/Gonnering to recommend approval of Steve Loney request to move access to parcels 090-04020-07, 090-0402-04, 090-0402-06 and grant access easements to lot #4 and lot #1 on proposed CSM App #05-06-09-15 contingent on Plan Commission approval. 4 Yes 0 No 1 Abstain (Loney). MC

PROGRESS REPORT ON TOWN HALL PROJECT/CONSIDERATION OF CHANGES

Clerk reported on current status of remodeling job.

Motion by Gonnering/Radford to approve the Bernetzke estimate of \$215.00 for painting the Police Dept. office. 5 Yes 0 No MC

Motion by Gonnering/LaPlant to approve bid by The Floor Company in install 3 rooms of carpet at a cost of \$1,455.62. 5 yes 0 no MC

Motion by Radford/Loney to approve Keller Pay Request for \$18,579.18 as recommended by M&E. 5 Yes 0 No MC

CONSIDERATION OF FIRE STATION CONSTRUCTION GRANT

Jeff Pollard reported to the Board that they had just received notice of 100% grants for construction of fire departments and asked for the Board's approval to pursue the funding. Board members told them they should definitely pursue the grant and he should work with Clerk and engineer to complete the application by the July deadline.

FIRE DEPT REQUEST FOR FIRE GARAGE UPDATES – tabled

REVIEW PLANS FOR RENOVATION OF VFW PARK PAVILION

Loney reported that they are in the process of getting pricing for metal and block buildings to replace the pavilion at the park.

CONSIDERATION OF OPERATOR'S LICENSE

Motion by Radford/Gonnering to approve Operators License for Kelly A. Taege and Terry S. Brickner. 5 Yes 0 No MC

ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney reported that he will be working with Appraiser Randy Moss to get a schedule for property acquisition on Geenen Lane. Discussion held on Industrial Revenue Bonds. He explained to the Board that these do not pose any liability threat to the Town.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Clerk reported that the Freedom Trailblazers Snowmobile Group had given the Town a donation of \$350.

REVIEW/APPROVE VOUCHERS

Motion by Loney/Gonnering to approve vouchers #22436 to #22470 and DD #2536 to #2582. 5 Yes 0 No MC

ADJOURN

Motion by Radford/Gonnering to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. 5 Yes 0 No MC

Barbara Seegers, Clerk