

Approved 7-14-2010

**TOWN BOARD MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, June 23, 2010  
6:30 p.m.  
FREEDOM TOWN HALL  
W2004 COUNTY S**

**CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL**

Meeting called to order at 6:10 p.m.

Board members present: Chairman Tim Maass, Supv. Mark Rahmlow, Supv. Don Gonnering, Supv. Vernon Bowers and Supv. Steve Lowney.

Also present: Clerk/Treasurer Barb Seegers, Atty. Steve Frassetto, Engineer Steve Brueggeman and Adm Asst. Colleen Laha.

Pledge recited

**VERIFICATION OF POSTING AND ADOPT AGENDA**

Posted the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2010 at the Town Hall at 3:00 p.m. Also posted on June 22, 2010 at Freedom Mini Mart, Freedom Foods, Dairyland Depot and Shorty's One Stop

**Motion by Supv. Gonnering/Supv. Rahmlow to adopt agenda as posted. 5 Yes 0 no MC**

**MOTION by Supv. Bowers/Supv. Gonnering TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION PER WI STATS 19.85(1)(e)(c) to confer with legal counsel who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved concerning contracts; the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business and; considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.**

**Voting Aye: Chairman Maass, Supv. Lowney, Supv. Rahmlow, Supv. Bowers and Supv. Gonnering**

**Voting Nay: None**

**Motion carried**

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION (Roll Call Vote)**

**Voting Aye: Chairman Maass, Supv. Lowney, Supv. Rahmlow, Supv. Bowers and Supv. Gonnering**

**Voting Nay: None**

**Motion carried**

**CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES OF JUNE 9, 2010 MEETING**

**Motion by Supv. Lowney/Supv. Gonnering to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2010 meeting. 5 Yes 0 No MC**

**OPEN FLOOR SESSION**

**Mike Springstroh** told the Board that he put in gravel to bring his driveway up and he wants the Board to take some type of action on the drainage issue. He was told that at this point Mr. Geurts had met all of the drainage requirements that were set forth. Springstroh questioned whether Mr. Geurts had a ROW permit when he changed the driveway. Clerk will check into this. Engineer Brueggeman told Springstroh that the Town is also waiting for DNR approval to clean out a ditch down to the creek. The question at that point will be who will pay for it.

**Terry Vandenberg** questioned whether the Board had plans to put up a guard rail in front of the new pavilion before someone hits it. He was told that Charles Kramer, Public Works Director will have that done if it is not done already.

**GARVEY ST. PROPERTY OWNERS CONCERNING DRIVEWAYS**

Property owners from Garvey Street approached the Board to find out what they could do to get their driveways properly restored. They have notified the Town and Sanitary District on a constant basis since the water was installed and have now received a letter from the Sanitary District that nothing would be done for them. Clerk verified that she had received several calls from the residents and had either had them call the SD or had forwarded the message to the District on several occasions. Town Board asked the town engineer to verify that the driveways meet town specs and if not the Board will work with the Sanitary District to try to resolve the issues.

**CONSIDERATION OF DONNA WALL REQUEST FOR RICO'S CAR SHOW**

Donna Wall reported to the Board that they would like to hold the car show again on August 14<sup>th</sup> and close the road from Noon to 7:00 p.m. with the exception of bank customers.

***Motion by Supv. Goinnering/Supv. Rahmlow to allow Rico's to close Columbia Ave from the dentist office to Rico's from Noon to 7:00 p.m. 5 Yes 0 No MC***

Clerk will notify Public Works Director to work with Rico's on signage.

**DISCUSS TOWN PARTICIPATION IN PURCHASE OF SENIOR LIVING FACILITY**

Dee Spiegel approached the Board requesting a pledge of funds toward the purchase of a building to house an assisted living facility and senior center. She stated that Good Shepherd in Seymour would run the facility. Residents Tony Primavera and Mike Springstroh both spoke against the Town putting tax payer dollars into a facility and noted that this should be a private sector project. Board members told Spiegel that the Town could possibly help her get tax exempt financing and tax exempt property but did not feel they could put tax payers funds into the project. Attorney Frassetto will check into options available for creative financing.

**CONSIDERATION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO ROOF IN TOT PLAY AREA AT VFW PARK**

***Motin by Rahmlow/Supv. Bowers to approve Fox Structures bid of \$21,914.00 for a 48 x 50 roof structure over the tot play area. 5 Yes 0 No MC***

Original bid was for \$23,814.00. Town will use current fencing and town employees to do landscaping to bring the cost down by \$1,900.00. Current structure is 40 x 40.

**CONSIDERATION OF PURCHASE OF PICNIC TABLES FOR PARK – tabled**

**DISCUSS/ACTION ON SALT SHED – Tabled**

**UPDATE ON SOCCER CONCESSION STAND**

Supv. Rahmlow reported that the original cost to rent van for concession stand was \$75.00. Cost to deliver and pickup added \$150.00 for a total cost of \$225.00. Supv. Gonnering will check into other options and report back at next meeting.

**CONSIDERATION OF SECURITY EQUIPMENT FOR PARK**

***Motion by Supv. Rahmlow/Supv. Gonnering to contract with Lappen Security to install security cameras at the park at a cost of \$2,129.66. 5 Yes 0 No MC***

**CONSIDERATION OF LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWALS**

***Motin by Supv. Lowney/Supv. Bowers to approve the list of 2010/2011 Liquor License Renewals as submitted pending approval by Dept. of Revenue. 5 Yes 0 No MC (see attached list)***

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**CONSIDERATION OF LIQUOR LICENSE AGENTS**

*Motion by Supv. Lowney/Supv. Gonnering to approve the list of 2010 – 2011 Liquor License agents as submitted. 5 Yes 0 no MC (see attached list)*

**CONSIDERATION OF CIGARETTE LICENSE RENEWALS**

*Motion by Supv. Lowney/Supv. Bowers to approve the list of 2010 – 2011 Cigarette License renewals as submitted. 5 Yes 0 No MC (see attached list)*

**CONSIDERATION OF OPERATOR'S LICENSE**

*Motion by Supv. Lowney/Supv. Bowers to approve the 2010 – 2012 Operators License #01-12 through #58-12. 5 Yes 0 No MC*

**DISCUSS HOLDING OF A TOWN WIDE RECYCLE/REUSE DAY IN FREEDOM**

*Motion by Supv. Gonnering/Supv. Bowers to hold a town wide recycle/reuse day in conjunction with the next town wide rummage sale. 5 Yes 0 no MC*

Board may want to set some rules as far as what could be put out, hours, hazardous materials, etc.

8:25 p.m. Supv. Lowney left the meeting at this point for personal business

**DISCUSS PLACING SOLAR LIGHTS ON CORNER OF COUNTY E & N**

Chairman Maass told the Board that the County said the town could put more street lights at this intersection at the Town's expense. The County may put up larger stop signs. Maass reported that the County had put up solar stop signs in some areas which cost about \$1,000 and they had been stolen shortly after.

**ANY ACTION AS A RESULT OF CLOSED SESSION**

*Motion by Supv. Rahmlow/Supv. Gonnering to approve the employee health care plan as presented. 5 Yes 0 No MC*

*8:35 p.m. Supv. Lowney returned to the Board meeting at this time.*

**DEPARTMENT/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Public Works Director Kramer reported that the pulverize and pave project would be starting the following morning on Lau Rd. He told the Board that the final paving on Industrial Drive should be done in 2011. He also stated that the final paving should be done in Scenic View and Finnigan's Ridge Subdivisions this year. Kramer also questioned installing some kind of drain at VFW Park to help in areas that retain water every year.

**ATTORNEY REPORT/ENGINEER REPORT**

**Attorney** Frassetto reported on progress with developers agreement and asked the Board for permission to work with Planner Jon Bartz in developing the procedures manual and flow chart. Board agreed with request. **Engineer Brueggeman** reported on drainage issues on Van Asten Rd and County J. Kramer will talk with Carl Anthony who is on the County Drainage Board concerning cleaning out the field ditch in that area. Brueggeman reported that he does have a drainage plan for the park that was drawn up a few years back and he will forward to clerk. Brueggeman is also updating the County E trail grant documents for re submittal.

**CONSIDERATION OF VOUCHERS/DIRECT DEPOSITS**

*Motion by Supv. Lowney/Supv. Gonnering to approve direct deposits #3387 to #3414 and vouchers #27244 to #24266. 5 Yes 0 No MC*

**ADJOURN**

*Motion by Supv. Lowney/Supv. Bowers to adjourn at 9:20 p.m. 5 Yes 0 No MC*

Barbara M. Seegers, Clerk/Treasurer

