

Approved August 12, 2009
TOWN BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2009
7:00 P.M.
TOWN HALL
W2004 COUNTY S

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Tim Maass.

ROLL CALL, PLEDGE

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

VERIFICATION OF POSTING AND REVIEW/APPROVE AGENDA

I hereby certify that the agenda for the Wednesday, July 22, 2009 meeting of the Town Board was posted at the Town Hall on Tuesday, July 21, 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 agenda as posted. 4 Yes 0 No MC

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF 6/24 MEETING

Motion by LaPlant/Radford to approve the minutes of June 24, 2009 as printed. 0 Yes 4 No Motion Failed

Motion by Radford/LaPlant to approve minutes of June 24, 2009 with the addition of notes concerning discussion on the approval of a tax exempt Industrial Revenue Bond. 3 Yes 1 No (Gonnering) MC

OPEN FLOOR SESSION

Robert Valentine presented his plans for a retirement community to the Town Board for their reaction. His plan would use the town property on County E and the town would be the developer for the roads and the subdivision and he would buy the lots from them. He will also present his concept to the Plan Commission. Town Board did not take any action as the item was not on the agenda.

Mary Kavanaugh told the Board that the decision on the Industrial Revenue Bond should have gone before the electors as they will be the ones that get stuck with it. Attorney Frassetto explained to her that there is no liability for the town on this bond. An irrevocable letter of credit must be filed by Milk Source with the bank in case Milk Source would not make their payments. Board members noted that they are trying to work with Tidy View to solve some of the neighbors complaints as their attempts to stop them or regulate them have been stalled by state, county and DNR regulations at every turn. They also stated that if they don't do anything it is not going to get any better. Board members noted that the planned BioDigester should help reduce the odor and the traffic. This option will help solve some of the problems with no liability for the town. The town is not borrowing the funds and giving them to Milk Source as some of the rumors have said. Supervisor Don Gonnering was alone in his view that the town should not get involved. Attorney noted that the timetable on the bonds would probably be early next year.

CONSIDERATION OF PURCHASE OF AUTOMATED RECYCLING CONTAINERS

Tom Schmidt of Wittenberg told the board that automated recycling containers would probably save the town .25 per month per stop as well as keeping the town cleaner. Board members will look at the purchase of recycling containers through the Winnebago County contract during budget deliberations this fall.

CONSIDERATION OF TEMP CLASS B LICENSE FOR ST. NICHOLAS PARISH PICNIC

Motion by Radford/Gonnering to approve a temporary beer license for St. Nicholas Parish for July 26th from 11:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. with Robert Grode as agent. 4 Yes 0 No MC

CONSIDERATION OF VOSTERS/BEYER ADDITION

Motion by Gonnering/LaPlant to approve the site plan pending Plan Commission approval. 4 Yes 0 No MC

Radford told Vosters/Beyer that they cannot start construction until they have the Plan Commission approval and building permit.

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CONSIDERATION OF AGNES WEYERS CSM

Motion by LaPlant/Radford to approve the proposed CSM for Agnes Weyers estate pending Plan Commission approval. 4 Yes 0 No MC.

CONSIDERATION OF PURCHASE OF FLAG POLE FOR TOWN HALL

Motion by Gonnering/LaPlant to approve the purchase and installation of a flag pole and lighting at the Town Hall at a cost not to exceed \$1,425.00. 4 Yes 0 No MC

PROGRESS REPORT ON TOWN HALL/PARKING LOT PROJECT AND CONSIDERATION OF ANY CHANGES/SEALING/STRIPING

Motion by Gonnering/LaPlant to approve the sealing striping of the town hall parking lot at a cost not to exceed \$2,900.00. 4 Yes 0 No MC

UPDATE ON BUILDING PROGRESS

Clerk reported to Board on the progress of the project.

CONSIDERATION OF KELLER PAY REQUEST #5

Motion by Radford/Gonnering to approve Keller pay request #5 for \$13,941.74. 4 Yes 0 No MC

REVIEW/ACTION ON CHANGES TO 2009 PAVING PROJECT

Motion by Radford/LaPlant to approve the change order for the 2009 paving project in the amount of \$41,871.75. 4 Yes 0 No MC

AMERICAN TOWER LEASE AMENDMENT

Tabled for Attorney review.

CONSIDERTION OF TANK REIMBURSEMENT FOR REFUSE SERVICE

Motion by Radford/LaPlant to reimburse Lorna Tank \$296.84 for refuse service. 4 Yes 0 no MC

CONSIDERATION OF SOLICITATION ORDINANCE

Attorney Frassetto presented ordinance for Town Board to review for next meeting.

ENGINEERS REPORT

Engineer reported on progress of various town projects. Clerk will notify Geenen Lane residents of an informational meeting to be held at 6:00 p.m. on August 26, 2009 at the Town Hall.

ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney's report covered in two previous items.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Public Works report reviewed. Kramer also reported on state increase in tipping fees at landfills, and salt cost increases expected to be 70%.

REVIEW/APPROVE VOUCHERS

Motion by Radford/LaPlant to approve direct deposits #2610 to #2679 and vouchers #22500 to #22563 except for #22560 and #22524 which are void. 4 Yes 0 No MC

ADJOURN

Motion by Radford/LaPlant to adjourn at 9:45 p.m. 4 Yes 0 No MC

Barbara M. Seegers, Clerk