

MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
Monthly meeting and Plan Committee
2399-90TH AVE., BALDWIN, WI.

September 8, 2022

The joint town board and planning committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Douglas Veenendall at 6:30 PM.

John Hilgers, Senior Planner and Nicole Peterson, Planner from St. Croix County Community Development were present and stated that we are the third town they have given this presentation to. The purpose is to outline the process and timeline for updating the 2006 Heartland Comprehensive Plan.

There was agreement to host a Vision Session open to the public on Monday, October 17, 2022, from 6-8 PM at the town hall. Along with that there will be a survey for town residents to fill out and express their opinions about a variety of zoning subject. There will be a postcard sent to all town residents as to how to file this survey online or obtain paper copies and how to return them. The survey will be open from October 1st-November 11th, 2022.

They would like to attend our December 8, 2022, board meeting starting at 6 PM to give survey results.

The joint meeting was closed at 7:40 PM and the regular board meeting called to order. Board members present: Douglas Veenendall, Chairman, Supervisors Joseph Kusilek & Don L. Johnson, Treasurer, Ronda Helgeson and Clerk, James Harer.

Others: Chris Veenendall, Kay Harer, Gary Fern, Joe Gerhardt, Tom Olson, cannot read, Tim Simmons, Jennifer Richard, Rebecca Curtis, Virginia Curtis and Jane Loux.

Don L. Johnson moved to adopt the agenda with item G moved to B. Seconded by Joseph Kusilek, carried.

The August board minutes were read. Motion by Joseph Kusilek to approve as read, seconded and carried.

September vendor checks were reviewed along with bank reconciliation. Motion by Joseph Kusilek to approve check numbers 11361-11386 for \$73,236.80. Seconded by Don L. Johnson, carried.

COMP. PLAN: Motion by Joseph Kusilek to approve Resolution #2022-9-8 adopting the 2023 Comprehensive public participation plan. Seconded by Don L. Johnson, carried.

FANTASY CORRAL: Pointing to the towns long standing goal of preserving agricultural land Joseph Kusilek moved to approve the driveway permit for Fantasy Corral on the west property line of Charles Simmons coming off 90th Avenue. Seconded by Don L. Johnson, carried by voice vote.

United Fire & Rescue plans on a 13% budget increase for 2023, 5% was for the Woodville truck alone. Base rate and additional hourly rate for a fire call will increase from \$875 to \$1,075 They discussed the letter from St. Croix Electric Coop stating they do not plan to pay for pole fire responses. United Fire suggested town's bill them and get a rejection letter.

2022 ROAD WORK: Estimated yearend financial estimates were reviewed along with all 2022 road work schedules. Motion by Joseph Kusilek to finish the paving and shouldering on 90th Ave. project for an estimated cost of \$120,000. Seconded by Don L. Johnson, carried.

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The town three-year road plan was discussed. Based on the trend of ever-increasing cost culverts for 2023 will be just one mile of 110th Ave. from 250-260th St. with paving in 2024. 2025 project will be 110th Ave. from 260th St.-CTH D. and 2026 240th St. from 90th Ave.-CTH E. The plan will be revised with review and possible approval in October.

List of August building permits were handed out.

ARPA ISSUES: After review of the Procurement Policy document Don L. Johnson moved to approve the policy for selection of contractors for town projects involving the construction, execution, repair, remodeling or improvements of any public work or building or for the furnishing of materials or supplies involving Federal dollars. Seconded by Joseph Kusilek, carried by voice vote.

Don L. Johnson moved to adopt Ordinance Number 1-8-2-2022, Code of Ethics. Seconded by Joseph Kusilek, carried.

Douglas Veenendall moved to use ARPA lost revenue money to cover check #11384 for \$25,987.36 to St. Croix County Highway Department for materials used on road maintenance for the town. In our experience they meet the accounting standards of actual cost and/or material prices that reflect competitive bids. These expenses cover public safety and road maintenance use for the town. Seconded by Joseph Kusilek. Carried.

Bruce Siegersma requested a statement in writing of what the town’s intention was for a road/cul-de-sac originally plotted out by Harvey Hielkema. Previous town boards have passed motions that they do not intend on taking over any additional dead ends. Motion by Joseph Kusilek that the town board has no interest now or in the future to maintain this as a public or town road. Seconded by Don L. Johnson, carried.

By consensus the board approved several recycle bins offered by the St. Croix County recycling program director Kris Poston.

Future agenda items: Road plan, 2023 budget, town 150th year plans, 2023 Comp plan.

Joseph Kusilek moved to set Tuesday, October 4, 2022, 7 PM as our next meeting date. Seconded and carried.

Meeting was declared closed by the town chair at 8:28 PM.

(Minutes approved and signed at October 4, 2022 board meeting)

Douglas Veenendall, Chairman

James Harer, Clerk