

Town of Menomonie
Monthly Meeting
Tuesday, August 8th 2023 6:00pm

All Present: Kent Jackson, Brain Johnson, Scott Barnhart, Charisse Sutliff and Nancy Ponto.

Kent called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:00 pm

Minutes

- Minutes from the Board of Review Minutes on June 21st, 2023 were not available, tabled for next month.
- Minutes from the Board of Review Continuation on July 12th, 2023 were reviewed. Brian made a motion to approve, Scott 2nd Carried
- Minutes from the Board Meeting on July 12th, 2023 were reviewed. Brain made a motion to approve the minutes, Scott 2nd. Carried.

Public

- Dan Gerth addressed the Board. He has concerns on the 330th Street reconstruction project slated for next October. With the power line rebuild and AT&T lines, he feels the speed limit should be dropped from 45 mph to 35 mph.
- Kent said he will look into it, he believes that the Township can drop speed limits to 45, but anything below that may need a petition. He thought that adding more signs may help as well and that was something they could do. Kent said he would do some digging.
- Dan also stated that he is interested in purchasing some lots in the Irvington Cemetery. Kent said it is pretty disorganized and suggested that they meet out there to look at and possibly stake out available spots.

Rezone Request GA to R1 – Yang

- Canoe Her stood representing her family and their request to rezone her parent's property on 550th Street from GA to R1 so that her bother and other family members would be able to build homes.
- Lisa Keyes spoke, she was at the County Zoning meeting earlier in the day and questioned how many homes would be built? She did not support a large development and feels visibility with the Hill would be difficult.
- Kent shared that the Plan Commission had reviewed this request and feels it aligns with the Town's comprehensive plan which is to grow the township creating more revenue. He feels the area around this property would fit that plan for growth.
- Robert Rosendahl was present and spoke up to the fact that the family could not split the property into more than four lots, doing so would require a Sub-Division, which would not be approved.
- Scott asked if there had been any drainage concerns, there were not.
- Brain asked what sizes the lots would be, and due to green space and the terrane of the property they would vary.
- Scott made a motion to approve the rezone request for the Yang Family from GA to R1. Brian 2nd Carried.

Idella Ridge road 677th Ave adoption resolution 2023-02

- The Board reviewed the resolution which stated that the Town per WI Statues would adopt 667th Avenue beginning at 429th St West including Cul-de-sac consisting of 1870 Feet, 66 foot right of way and cul-de-sac radius of 90 feet.

- Kent put the resolution to a vote, Scott made a motion to approve the adoption resolution 2023-02, Brian 2nd Carried. All parties signed the resolution and gave Bob a copy.
- Bob mentioned that he may be combining lots in the development, some buyers have shown interest in building larger homes on two lots. More to come on that as Idella Ridge continues to grow.

Delmore Consulting Presentation

- Delmore Consulting provided a power point presentation to the board explaining what services they provide: Culvert Assessment Inventory and Mapping, Comprehensive Road Review with development of plans and recommendations within the Town's budget, completion of the PASER ratings, Bid Letting, Traffic Sign and Road Name Sign Inventory assessment and mapping. They also help with grant applications, funding services and bridge aid requests.
Prices were given as follows:
Culvert Assessment, Inventory and Mapping: \$10,200
Comprehensive Road Review and Annual Service: \$10,800
Sign Inventory and Assessment: \$9,700
There then is a annual fee of \$5,000
- Delmore opened the presentation to questions. Scott felt all of his were answered. Kent noted that he has called Chairmen using these services and with the Towns Association he has heard nothing but great reviews.
- Kent thanked Delmore for the presentation and said he will be putting this on the agenda next month.

Picnic License

- The Irvington Booster Club requested a Picnic License for their annual fund raiser. This is a temporary Class B Retailers License. Application and fee of \$10 was received.
Brain made a motion to approve the license, Scott 2nd Carried.

Operator License

- Grandpa Joe's Trailside bar in Irvington has a new operator request for a Tanya Lynn Pichler. The application and fee of \$15 was turned in along with her completion of the Responsible Beverage Server class.
Brain made a motion to approve the License, Kent 2nd Carried.

Driveway Permit

- MaryBeth and Dane Small turned in an application and paid the fee of \$75 for a driveway permit on 330th Street, address TBD (after N7164)
Brian made a motion to approve the permit, Scott 2nd Carried.

Employee – Chairman Report

- Kent said that he had gotten the bill \$449.84 for marking the RR crossing.
- The Towns Association is holding their Fall Workshops on September 19th at Florian Gardens in Eau Claire, Kent will be going and requested that Charisse attend the Clerk portion.
- The new Credit Cards from RCU had arrived and could now be used.
- Kent ordered an Officer's Handbook and a Budget workbook – these are good tools to have.
- Jeff gave the employee report, he said they had been taking care of a lot of trees down from storms. They are grader patching, and fixed 490th (by Bill Stalls) where there had been a wash out.

Jeff requested that Charisse give him a year-to-date total on all cold mix that had been purchased. He needs to get more and wants to know what of the budget is left.

The break chamber on the signal axle went out, they are using Semi Correct Services for repair.

The O Ring on the Loader was replaced/repared by Bauer Built who came out and fixed it.

Jeff noted they need to get rid of the pile of old Culverts, he needs to find someone to come and take them away.

Culvert E4455 479th Ave

- Pat Miller at E4455 479th Ave has a home that was built in 2006, a Town culvert was buried under his driveway which is now created water issues.
- Kent shared pictures with the board. Pat is requesting the Town be responsible for taking it out. He feels it should have been caught when the driveway permit was issued.
- Kent agreed the contractor and the Town dropped the ball.
- Brian asked about filling it in vs. taking it out. Jeff, Kent, Scott and Brian had conversations about the best approach.
- Kent made a motion to remove the culvert and get it repaired. Brian 2nd Carried.

Culvert on 410th St Red Cedar Trail Parking Lot

- Matt was contacted by the DNR in regards to a plugged culvert creating water and washout in the Red Cedar Trail parking lot.
- Matt said he looked at it and it's filled with logs, cleaning in out would be difficult. Jeff said they need to get in there with a back hoe and start digging it out. He suggested since the road will be getting redone next year that this wait. He and Matt will follow up with the DNR.

Purchase New Chainsaws

- Matt said he had been using his personal chainsaw with all of the brush and tree removals needed after recent storms. Jeff proposed purchasing a small 170 (about \$300) to have in the truck for Town use.
- Kent gave them the approval to purchase the chainsaw.

Town Equipment Discussion

- Kent said that he has not gotten all of the numbers back for evaluation on purchasing equipment. He is also waiting to hear back from Rob at International to get the date of possession on the new truck.
- Brian shared a bid he had from Lindstrom on replacing the 6410. It was a Massey Furgeson bid at \$105,479.00
- Brian was contacted by Western Star and asked if we wanted them to bid as well.
- Kent will be collecting all of the bids and putting them on a spread sheet for evaluation in September.
- International can be serviced by Dunn County
- The Grader will need shims put on by FABICK, expense will be \$6853.51

ATV usage discussion in the Town

- Discussions were started on if we should change our Ordinance. The County has opened up all County roads except for County Rd B. Airtech has asked that we open the northern half of Rudiger Road. Although it is busy, is it any busier than BB? The Board discussed and feels this will need to be brought up again and put to a vote.

Roadwork Update

- Within the next two weeks, the chip seal will all be completed.
- Monarch will call before they start 490th (430th Ave to curve)
- Kent will be putting figures into this expense report as work is completed.

Propane PreBuy

- Synergy sent us a contact to prebuy propane as we had last year. Last year we bought 2500 gallons. This year it is at \$1.50/gal.
- Scott made a motion to approve the prebuy of 2500 gallons. Scott 2nd Carried.

Drop Off Site Report

- Flyers have been made for recycling education. These will be passed out at the site.
- Clair has requested more hours. Scott said as long as he is productive, he would support the increase in hours to retain the employee.
- Kent made a motion to increase his starting time on Wednesdays to 9am (adding one hour per week). Brian 2nd Carried.

Flyers for Clean Sweep

- Kent proposed rather than a Fall newsletter that the expense be put towards a Town Mailing promoting the Clean Sweep event in September.
- Brian made a motion to approve the mailing of Clean Sweep Flyers, Scott 2nd Carried.

Plan Commission Report

- If Kent receives a CSM he will plan a meeting at the end of August.

Clerk Report

- No new updates this month.

Board Reports

- While Kent was cleaning out the office, he discovered paperwork on the bridge petition. He has engaged Dustin at the County for assistance.
- Kent made a motion to approve the Bridge petition for the culverts installed on 700th Ave West of 430th St. Brian 2nd Carried.
- Nancy stated we need a sign at the Collection Site to keep right on the dump road.
- Brian noted that Craig Fergene reported that the culvert was plugged on 430th.
- At the WTA meeting the PASER was discussed, the report is due on Dec 15th.

Vouchers

- Vouchers were reviewed and Brian made a motion to approve #21396-21436 Brian 2nd Carried.

Miscellaneous Correspondence

- Next month we will need to determine who will be attending the Annual Town's Banquet. Brian thought he and his wife would go.

Next Meeting

- Our next meeting will be on Tuesday September 12th at 6pm.

Adjourn:

- Kent made a motion to adjourn at 9:27 pm Brian 2nd Carried.

Charisse Sutliff, Clerk Town of Menomonie