Town Board Meeting October 1, 2013

The Town Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm. All board members were present.

The minutes from the Sept 3rd meeting and were read. Motion made by Kirchner to approve the minutes, seconded by Gilbert. The minutes from the September 23<sup>rd</sup> Special meeting were read, motion made by Gilbert to approve with one correction, seconded by Hesse.

## **Public Concerns**

- Township resident asked about the large number of rocks in a roadside ditch area adjacent to her property in the vicinity of Badger St. Board members will check it out to see if they are needed for erosion control.
- The Thursday night card group wondered if the township had ever considered replacing the tables in the townhall with lighter weight tables. Board discussed looking into prices and options, all agreed they need replacement.
- Some trees are hanging over the road on Cty D, Mike will talk with Ron Chamberlain to determine if they can be trimmed. Also some lilac bushes on Church Street need to be trimmed.

Paul Hanson appeared before the Board requesting approval to rezone his property located on Cty DE from Exclusive Ag to Residential District A. This rezoning will create two lots (Lot 1-1.34 acres and Lots 2-2.1acres) both zoned Residential District A. Motion to approve by Hesse, seconded by Kirchner.

Steve Komp did not appear, no decision made.

Norm Hurlburt appeared before the board to present a proposed driveway easement for Pam Meyer on the Roger Meyer, Jr. property located on State Road 108 in preparation for her to put a manufactured, double-wide home on the parcel. Board approved the easement with the portion which is shared to be 66 feet wide and paved. Motion made by Hesse, seconded by Kirchner.

Board considered the resolution already approved by Town Plan Commission, after a public hearing and a 30 day comment period to allow Chad and Travis Powers to swap zoning of the parcels as it pertains to the Land Use Map 2-2.1 in the Town of Farmington's Comprehensive Plan. Parcels 5-359-2 and 5-359-1 would be rezoned as Rural Residential (former Agriculture A) and parcels 5-355-3, 5-355-8 and 5-350-0 would be rezoned as Exclusive Agriculture. Board approved by roll call vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain.

## Solid Waste building update:

Board members agreed to move forward with the construction plans for the Solid waste/recycling drop-off site with the addition to the salt shed to be completed yet this year. Board adopted the Resolution stating that the cost would be over \$5,000 and under \$25,000 for this construction, therefore, Board can enter into a contract to complete with work after Resolution stating that interested parties have until October 14<sup>th</sup> to respond has been published as a Class 1 notice in the La Crosse Tribune. Roll call vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain. Clerk to get Resolution published as soon as possible.

Board discussed the applying for LRIP and/or LRI-D monies to assist in completing road work in the township. A motion was made by Gilbert and seconded by Kirchner to apply to for LRIP

monies, which are local (county) grants, to replace the culvert on A.Craig Road. Chairman Hesse to complete the application.

They further approved applying for LRI-D monies, which are statewide funds set aside for use by townships. Our application would be for road repair work needed on Davis Creek Road. This grant would provide 50% funding of the project with the rest to come from the township after approval by electors at a Public Meeting. Deadline to complete the project if approved for the grant would be June of 2019. Motion to approve made by Kirchner and seconded by Gilbert.

The next budget preparation meeting will be held at 7:30pm on October 8<sup>th</sup> preceded by a closed meeting to discuss other unspecified public business with township attorney as established under Sec. 19.85(1)(d).

Board reviewed the Operator License applications for Amanda Lindvig and Erik Wilson. A motion was made by Gilbert to approve the applications, seconded by Kirchner. Motion passed.

Fire Department update: a fire fighter sustained a shoulder injury while responding to a fire call recently. He is mending slowly.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. A motion made by Kirchner to approve receipts #235455 through 235464, seconded by Gilbert.

The township and fire department checks were reviewed. A motion was made by Gilbert to approve township checks # 19034 through 19045 and EFTS. Fire Department checks 4097-4100. Seconded by Kirchner.

Motion to adjourn at 9:20pm by Gilbert, seconded by Kirchner.