

# TOWN OF FARMINGTON MEETING MINUTES

TOWN OF FARMINGTON BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY FEBRUARY 11, 2020  
FARMINGTON TOWN HALL  
N8309 County Road C, Mindoro WI, 54644

Attendees: Paul Lash, Jodi Anderson, Mike Hesse, Crystal Sbraggia, Greg Kastenschmidt

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman, Mike Hesse called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

## **MINUTE REVIEW**

Crystal Sbraggia read the minutes from the January 7, 2020 Town Board Meeting

**Mmsp: LASH / KASTENSCHMIDT** Motion to approve the meeting minutes. 3/0/0 Motion Passed

**PUBLIC CONCERNS:** No public concerns.

## **MARCO / GRIFFIN REQUEST TO REZONE – 5-1619-0 | N7861 COUNTY ROAD W**

Crystal summarized the groups request to split and rezone a 13 acre portion of parcel 5-1619-0 (currently owned by Ron Overson) from Exclusive Ag to Rural. Sbraggia noted that the plan commission recommended the requests with the stipulation that the parcels be deed restricted so not to allow any future residential dwellings be built (only replaced).

**MMSP: KASTENSCHMIDT / LASH:** Motion to approve the request to rezone as presented to the Plan Commission. **3/0/0**

## **ALLIED**

Hesse presented the standard WEDC agreement to release funds.

**MMSP: KASTENSCHMIDT / LASH:** Motion to sign the agreement. **PASSED 3/0/0**

Hesse noted that Allied is in the process of reconfirming bids. There is a question regarding details pertaining to the space between the power line and the proposed canopy.

## **SANITARY DISTRICT:**

The group reviewed an intergovernmental agreement proposed by the Sanitary District requesting that the town make payment on their behalf until funds become available to pay back the town. This agreement is more of a cash flow issue than funding issue and is very similar to the request that was made, approved and completed in 2019.

Jodi Anderson was the only Sanitary District member in attendance. Kastenschmidt had several questions pertaining to the current financial status and staffing levels of the sanitary district. He suggested that it would be helpful for a representative be present at meetings in which such requests would be decided upon.

Hesse and Mitch Fenske both noted that the Sanitary District holds monthly meetings on the last Tuesday of each month. These meetings are open to the public and agendas should be posted.

**MMSP: KASTENSCHMIDT / LASH:** Motion to approve the intergovernmental loan agreement in the amount of \$49,094.08 to be paid through four installments with the final payment being made by October 1, 2020. **3/0/0 Passed**

**CEMENTERY** Hesse noted that he is still waiting on final easement approval. No other updates. No action.

Documents pertaining to Mary Kastenschmidt's recent request to obtain rights to a cemetery plot owned by her deceased grandparents Edward and Martha Thompson were received.

## **ROADS**

**M. Olson Road:** No updates. Waiting on Karen Cavlich from the state as well as final 75/25 grant decisions.

**Wanless Resident Damage:** No update. Waiting on attorney feedback.

**Wanless Storm Damage:** Notice for Bids has been published. Bids will likely be available for review at the March meeting.

**Larson Road:** Mike stated his reminder of the damage was met with vague response.

**90/10 (75/25) grant and TRIP D Program Grant:** No update on grant disbursements.

## **EQUIPMENT**

**Dodge Truck:** Controller went out but was fixed under warranty.

## **EMERGENCY SERVICES:**

**Fire Department Damage:** Hesse gave a brief summary of the water main breakage issue that led to a town insurance claim to cover the cost of structural damage to the 3<sup>rd</sup> bay area of the FD building. The water flooded the far west portion of building pulling sand up from under the concrete into the station. According to Jewell Engineering the concrete would need to be replaced in order to better solidify the foundation underneath. Hesse noted that insurance will cover the damage that the water caused but not the actual repairs that need to be made to the the pipes themselves. He mentioned the WTA clause built into the insurance policy worked in our favor as other policies likely would not have even covered that damage.

Kastenschmidt raised concerns regarding the fact that Hesse moved forward with all decisions pertaining to the damage without calling an emergency meeting to discuss the options with the other board members. Mike agreed that in the future he would not move independently on a project of this size. Greg also expressed concern with the length of time that the FD was storing their apparatus at the Town Shop. He felt that the equipment should have been moved out earlier in order to free up space for the plow trucks that would likely need to be used again in the near future. Hesse felt that it wasn't yet safe to park the larger vehicles on the new concrete but agreed to move around the smaller equipment to make room for the larger trucks the next day to make room for plows at the shop.

**Fire Department Grant:** Hesse is reviewing the grant writer's proposed application one last time before submission.

Mike presented the 2020 911 Service Joint Powers Agreement:

**Mmsp: LASH / KASTENSCHMIDT:** Motion to approve the agreement. Motion **Passed 3/0/0**

### **RECYCLING AND SOLID WASTE**

Dennis Konze gave an update on the work that him and Larry did to improve the Solid Waste shed. He said the wall was repaired and the new door was installed at east end of shed. West Door won't shut due to the frost heaving the concrete, Konze is planning on raising the door so that it will shut and keep out snow.

Florescent bulbs have been removed from premises.

**BUG TUSSEL:** Hesse noted that the Mindoro and Larson road towers are up and functioning. Burr Oak and Cox Hill Road towers were still being worked on.

**TREASURERS REPORT: Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Lash:** Motion to approve receipts 708516-526

**TOWN CHECKS: Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Lash:** Motion to approve pre authorized EFT's and checks 21496-21547.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT CHECKS: Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Lash:** Motion to approve checks 4453-4470.

**Mmsp: Lash / Kastenschmidt:** Motion to adjourn at 9:15pm.