

# TOWN OF FARMINGTON MEETING MINUTES

TOWN OF FARMINGTON BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY MAY 5, 2020  
FARMINGTON TOWN HALL  
N8309 County Road C, Mindoro WI, 54644

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

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman, Mike Hesse called the meeting to order at 7:32pm.

## **MINUTE REVIEW**

Crystal Sbraggia read the minutes from the April 21, 2020 Town Board Meeting.

**Mmsp: LASH / HESSE** Motion to approve the meeting minutes with the addition of clerk reimbursement added. 2/0/0 Motion Passed

**PUBLIC CONCERNS:** Dennis Konze noted that he would be doing culvert replacement work for a couple residents in the near future. He noted that additional ditching of town right of way land would be necessary to ensure proper water flowage. He asked if the town would like for him to do this work for them. The board agreed.

## **OPERATOR LICENSE – Jacob Grant**

The board could not make a definite decision regarding Grant's request as Clerk Sbraggia failed to present background check. It was decided that a provisional license should be issued until a permanent decision can be made at the May 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

## **ANTHONY SBRAGGIA – PETITION TO AMEND THE CP PLAN**

The board officially approved ordinance 1-2020 that amended the Comprehensive Plan in order to allow for future rezoning of parcel 5-935-5 from Public Institutional to Commercial. MMSP: Lash / Hesse: Motion to adopt ordinance 1-2020. 2/0/0 Motion Passed

## **JORDAN HANSON – PETITION TO AMEND THE CP PLAN**

The board approved ordinance 2-2020 that amended the Comprehensive Plan in order to allow for future rezoning of parcel 5-15-3 and 5-51-1 from Exclusive Ag to Rural. MMSP: Lash / Hesse: Motion to adopt ordinance 2-2020. 2/0/0 Motion Passed

## **ALLIED**

The lease agreement was read by Hesse for those in attendance to review. Those in attendance agreed that document safeguarded the township well from any possible issues that could arise in regard to Allied Cooperative's anticipated usage of the property.

MMSP: Hesse / Lash: Motion to approve the lease agreement as written giving Hesse the authority to enact the document on behalf of the town. 2/0/0 Motion Passed

**CEMENTERY** Hesse will be following up with the land owners regarding the anticipated easement for the Wet Coulee Cemetery.

## **ROADS**

**M. Olson Road:** No updates. Waiting on State Rep, Karen Cavlich final grant decisions.

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

**Wanless Storm Damage:** Hesse reported that progress has slowed, but what has been completed looks very nice. Mike is working on putting together finance options for the payment of this project. Damage caused to the rest of the road between the quarry and Burns Road as a result of added large equipment, will be included into the 2020 reseal bid. That area will be simply patched.

**Larson Rd Contract Damage:** No Update.

**Herman Coulee:** Hesse noted that he, along with Kevin and Glen will be blowing out the culvert. Kastenschmidt was not in attendance to give an update on ACT ditching activity or tentative timeline.

**Staff Road:** No update. Current guard railings will be moved later this season.

**Baker Road:** A resident has requested that Baker Road be striped. Mike will be following up with the county to see that that is taken care of.

**2020 Bridge Inspection:** Mike received the results for the 2020 County Bridge Inspection. He was pleased with the results noting very minor repairs were suggested.

**2020 Reseal Plan:** Mike presented a suggestion on which roads he feels should be included into the 2020 reseal. The list included resealing for Vogel Road, A. Nelson Road, Pump House Road, Kastenschmidt Road, F. Storandt Road, Wenzel Road, Enos Road, Hartman Road, Kramer Road. Also, included on the bid will be the filling of cracks on Davis Creek Road and patching of Wanless Road.

Mike plans to have the bids be back in time for the June 2020 meeting.

**Radcliffe Road:** Larry has completed the grading of Radcliffe Road. Mike noted that he has received a couple of compliments on a job well done.

## **EQUIPMENT**

Hesse is expecting that the box for the new to us 2015 plow truck to be ready for installation at Universal soon. He looked at the sander that will be mounted onto the truck and agreed with Glen that a new auger is in order.

## **PERSONNEL**

The board will be working to confirm a date and time near the end of May to conduct employee evaluations.

## **EMERGENCY SERVICES:**

**Fire Department Grant:** No results received.

**FD Training:** Officer training was postponed until June. The raffle is off to a good start.

**First Responder:** The organization should soon hear whether they were selected to receive \$12,000 from the BRF Foundation to go towards a new piece of equipment called the Lucas Device that could help to more safely automate the CPR process.

Hesse also noted that EMT certification deadlines have been extended due to the corona virus.

## **RECYCLING AND SOLID WASTE**

Social distancing remains in effect at the recycling center. No further updates

**TREASURERS REPORT: Mmsp: HESSE / LASH :** Motion to approve receipts 708544 – 708576 **2/0/0 Motion Passed**

Jodi informed the group that in the near future the La Crosse County Treasurer will be asking municipalities whether they wish to allow taxpayers until October to pay second half property taxes without penalty. She noted that the county will still be processing payments to the town in August.

**TOWN CHECKS: Mmsp: HESSE / LASH:** Motion to approve pre authorized EFT's and checks 21639-21668 **PASSED 2/0/0**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT CHECKS: Mmsp: LASH / HESSE:** Motion to approve checks 4484 – 4493. **PASSED 2/0/0**

**TREASURER REIMBURSEMENT: Mmsp: Hesse / Lash:** Motion to reimburse Jodi in the amount of \$272.41 for postage and treasurer supplies. **PASSED 2/0/0**

Other Business: Hesse noted that the current television in the town hall has quit working. The board agreed that he could move forward with the purchase of a new one.

**Mmsp: Hesse / Lash:** Motion to adjourn at 9:20pm.

*\* Chairman Hesse requested that social distance measures be recorded as part of the minutes. As to abide by Governor Evers' Safer At Home Order, attendees (under 10 persons present) were seated 6 feet apart.*