

# TOWN OF FARMINGTON MEETING MINUTES

TOWN OF FARMINGTON BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY JUNE 9, 2020  
FARMINGTON TOWN HALL  
N8309 County Road C, Mindoro WI, 54644

Attendees: Paul Lash, 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 May 5, 2020 Town Board Meeting. May 19, 2020 Minutes were not available for review will be reviewed at the July meeting.

**Mmsp: HESSE / LASH** Motion to approve the meeting minutes with the change that Wanless construction wear would not be repaired until 2021.2/0/0 Motion Passed

**PUBLIC CONCERNS:** No public concerns were discussed.

## **DAN COEHNEN / DALE YOUNG - CUP REVISION**

Realtor Eric Seeger spoke on behalf of Coehnen and Young explaining how years ago when BFT was split that housing locations were recorded, however, now that parcel 5-283-0 is being sold both the seller (Young) and the buyer (Coehnen) realize that the recorded location is not in an ideal location and are requesting to have the CUP revised in order to relocate the future home to a different area of the parcel. The PC has heard the request as well and recommended approving the revision so to allow for construction onto higher land with better drainage..

**Mmsp: Hesse / Lash** Motion to approve the requested CUP revision for parcel 5-283-0 and allow for a future home to be constructed onto a more suitable portion of the property. 2/0/0 Passed

## **LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL CLASS B BEER AND LIQUOR**

No issues were noted for Hilltop, Rumors, Cindy's (qty 2), Black Oak, Muddy Creek or Top Dawgs.

**Mmsp: Hesse / Lash** – Motion to approve all seven Class B Liquor License renewal applicants (Cindy's – Qty 2, Top Dawgs, Hilltop, Black Oak, Rumors & Muddy Creek) license. Approval. 2/0/0 Passed

## **CLASS A BEER**

**Mmsp: Hesse / Lash**– Motion to approve Allied Cooperative's Class A Beer License. 2/0/0 Passed

## **OPERATOR LICENSES**

The board reviewed the list of operator license applicant applications and background checks.

**Mmsp: Hesse / Lash** – Motion to approve operator licenses for the following applicants: Jenna Grant , Merrysa Janzen, Jeremy Janzen, Savannah Britton, Sheradyn Johnson, Kadie Ness, Lisa Knudtson, Lisa Franks, Kyle Knudson, Cindy Thompson , Kay Brown , April Judd , Travis Thompson , Jackie Schlifer , Dawn Schaub , Kelly Johnson , Josie Groth , Janell M Quall , Jacob Grant, Jesse Jacobson, Steve Bruha , Lynda Cottone , Laurie Olson 2/0/0 Passed

## **ALLIED**

The lease agreement was executed. The wires have been moved from over the parking lot and construction is slated to begin in August.

Allied was informed that the particular size sign that they would need in order to be compliant with laws requiring them to post gas prices will cause them to not be compliant with size restrictions pertaining to their land parcel. Allied is requesting a variance be approved by the town in order to allow the construction of this sign despite its size.

**MMSP: Lash / Hesse:** Motion to approve variance request and allow Allied to install a sign larger than allowed by county zoning. 2/0/0 Motion Passed

**CEMENTERY** Hesse stated that the deeds and Right of way documents have been executed and sent to the attorney to be properly recorded. Larry will be getting the fence.

## **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:** Work is near completion. The town crew will need to pay close attention to ensure that the grates remain clear of debris until the surrounding grass has been established.

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

**Herman Coulee:** Hesse explained that ACT had completed the ditching of the area and that it is beginning to dry up. The movement of soil down the valley has caused silt dams that have resulted in the issues we see on Herman Coulee.

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

**Baker Road:** No update on stripping.

**2020 Road Sealing Bids:** Bids submitted by Scott and Fahrner were reviewed. Job was awarded to the lowest bidder, Scott Construction. Hesse eliminated Scott's recommendation to double seal 1,000 feet on Davis Creek Road. This decreased the overall estimate by \$2,851 bringing the total for the 2020 sealing to \$63,523.75.

**Mmsp: Lash / Hesse:** Motion made to accept the Scott Construction proposal with correction. 2/0/0

## **EQUIPMENT**

The 2015 Navistar Plow Truck is done. Mike will be updating insurance. Mike will also be checking on the lettering for the truck. Glen requested a radio. Mike will get a price on that.

Sbraggia noted that Greg collected a quote from ACT showing a charge of \$70 per hour for the use of their mini excavator. Greg had not yet checked on insurance but was planning to do so.

**Mmsp: Hesse / Lash:** Motion was made to approve the usage of this machine provided that proper insurance coverage. 2/0/0

## **PERSONNEL**

Sbraggia informed the board that Glen was concerned with how sharps material was being stored in the recycling shed. Dennis and Mike were confident that only compliant containers were being accepted and that containers were being appropriately stored in a steel cabinet until pick up.

## **EMERGENCY SERVICES:**

**CARES ACT FUNDS:** Mike explained that the town may be eligible to receive over \$35,000 in funds through the Cares Act. These funds are to be used to offset costs associated with Covid-19 and help prepare for a second wave of the virus. His plans are to purchase additional PPE gear for the First Responders and sanitation supplies for the town hall.

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

**First Responder:** The First Responders were recently informed that BRF Foundation Members helped to ensure that the organization would receive \$12,000 to help them purchase a Lucas Device. A very big special thanks goes to Gil Homstad along with Tim and Kay Finch for their generous donation! Memorials will be used to cover the remaining \$1,000 needed to purchase the equipment. The group is looking forward to training and putting this new machine into action.

## **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 708552-708565 **2/0/0 Motion Passed**

**TOWN CHECKS: Mmsp: HESSE / LASH:** Motion to approve pre authorized EFT's and checks 21669-21698 **PASSED 2/0/0**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT CHECKS: Mmsp: LASH / HESSE:** Motion to approve checks 4494-4498 **PASSED 2/0/0**

Other Business: Dan Heidel added that he had spoken with Dave Bonafis from the Mississippi River Regional Plan Commission regarding the upcoming comp plan revision set for 2021. He

agreed to help outline the scope of the project for the group through a face to face meeting in October or November. The group will plan to have a combined town board / plan commission meeting sometime as well so that all are on the same page.

**Mmsp: Hesse / Lash:** Motion to adjourn at 9:50pm. 2/0/0

*\* 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.*