

TOWN OF FARMINGTON MEETING MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 9, 2021
FARMINGTON TOWN HALL
N8309 County Road C, Mindoro WI, 54644

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

CALL TO ORDER:

Supervisor, Greg Kastenschmidt called the public budget hearing to order at 6:03pm.

Jerry Den Boer, Benefit Advisor Representatives, was in attendance to present the 2022 employee health insurance renewal options. The board will make a final decision before December 1, 2021 as to whether or not they will renew early for a discounted rate and / or choose to an HMO plan for all additional savings.

Renewing December 1 instead of January 1 will allow for 6% savings plus keep deductible and co-pay amounts at the current rate. Renewing December 1, 2021 and switching to a HMO plan will allow for lower premium costs yet (with same deductible / copay amounts), but will limit care to Gundersen network with worldwide urgent care / emergency care. Services not handled by Gundersen will refer to Madison.

Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Lash: Motion to amend the original October 28th decision regarding part time sanitary district pay rates. Part-time employees, Wendell Pfaff and Barry Schimke, shall be paid \$21 for all regular hours worked and \$25 for all hours worked on an emergency basis. 3/0/0 Passed

The board set the TOF Sanitary District levy at an amount high enough to cover the mandatory Build America loan payment, plus \$10,000 for operating costs.

Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Lash: Motion to set the TOF Sanitary District 2021 levy (to be paid in 2022) to \$58,217. 3/0/0 Passed

The board reviewed bids from Bobcat and Value Implement for the purchase of a large mower and skid steer.

Mmsp: Hesse Kastenschmidt: Motion to purchase a Kubota F2690 Mower for \$20,500 and a Kubota SVL75-2HFC CTL Skid Steer for \$53,000 from Value Implement. 3/0/0 Passed

Based on increased costs and the fact that rates have not increased in years, the board decided to increase the cost per bag of garbage disposal. Hesse noted that our rates were low in comparison to neighboring towns.

Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Lash: Motion to increase garbage bag disposal rate from \$1 to \$2 per bag starting January 1, 2022. 3/0/0 Passed

Mmsp: Lash / Kastenschmidt: Motion to grant operating licenses to Jennifer Neumann and Kathleen Manley. 3/0/0 Passed

Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Lash: In accordance with WI Statute 19.85(1)(e), motion to recess into closed session at 6:50pm for the purpose of conducting public business, where competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, in this case negotiating for the sale of public property. Passed by Roll Call Vote: 3/0/0

Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Lash: Motion to reconvene into open session at 7:10pm. Passed by Roll Call Vote: 3/0/0

Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Lash: Motion to adjourn at 7:10pm. Passed 3/0/0