

TOWN OF FARMINGTON MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
July 11, 2023
7:00pm
FARMINGTON TOWN HALL
N8309 County Road C, Mindoro WI, 54644

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

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman, Mike Hesse, called the regular Town Board Meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Lash: Motion to approve the minutes from June 6, 14, 26, 2023.
3/0/0 PASSED

PUBLIC CONCERNS:

Jack Glennie requested an update on concrete installation at the recycling center. Costs and funding sources were discussed. Hesse explained the high cost of the project and the boards plan to add to the concrete as the funds become available. Mr. Glennie suggested that the board make the addition a priority.

Jack Glennie thanked the public works team for the good work they have done maintaining the Mindoro Park.

Gayle Monicken requested an update on road repairs for J. Bryhn Road and M. Olson Road. Hesse explained that the town is waiting on the DNR for structure options for the M. Olson Road collapse. He also noted that an application for funding to resurface J. Bryhn Road was submitted.

Picnic Temporary License / Operator – review and make decision.

Approved Operators: Lexi Renk, Marty Olson, Nancy Radde (pending certification)

Mmsp: Lash / Kastenschmidt: Motion to approve for Lexi Renk and Marty Olson. Nancy Radde's application was also approved pending proof of certification **3/0/0 Passed**

Approved Picnic License: John Cain Foundation for August 12, 2023.

Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Hesse: Motion to approve. **3/0/0 Passed**

MINDORO PARK

Mitch Fenske gave an update on work being completed on the Mindoro Park trails by the Public Works employees.

Hesse announced that Dan Heidel will be holding an informal meeting to collect feedback on potential park improvements. The meeting is scheduled at 6:30pm on August 8, 2023 and will take place at the Mindoro Park Shelter.

SANITARY DISTRICT

Mitch Fenske reported on current sanitary district related projects, plans and concerns.

Fenske noted that the ponds have bounced back since earlier this spring. The Ammonia issues are mitigated at this point after working with Prairie Farms to eliminate cleaning products that contributed to the problem. He shared that the SD is recently getting 90% of creamery flow again.

Some pressure differential issues are being looked into. Mitch believes it is an isolated issue.

The slip lining project is scheduled to take place the first week in September.

The SD has been making a \$5,000 payment back to the town each month. They also continue to add monies to the sludge and saving funds.

Davey is doing a lot of work to plan and prepare for the lift station, which is on hold until federal budget is passed.

Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Lash: Motion to approve checks Farmington Sanitary District Checks 5678-5694 and previously approved EFT. **3/0/0 Passed**

CEMETERY

The public works crew will be working to level headstones that are leaning.

ROADS

Fenske reported that 50% of ditching and patching is complete on the chip seal route. The crew was able to complete one round of mowing and added to the turnaround at the end of Wenzel Road. They anticipate doing the same on Kastenschmidt Road. Chip sealing will take place in late August or early September.

Mike did not have any updates regarding Lockington Road maintenance obligations.

Hesse shared a quote from Jewell Engineering regarding the cost of an HDH study to be completed for the area on M. Olson Road where the structure collapsed. The amount of the contract is \$11,000. This is not the complete design work, simply a study to identify possible repair routes.

Mmsp: Hesse / Lash: Motion to approve the proposal from Jewell to complete the study HDH study on M. Olson Road. **Hesse – Yay, Lash – Yay, Kastenschmidt – Nay Motion Approved**

Hesse shared changes to the Rural Road Bill that will open up additional funding possibilities for roads in the township with active farms located on it.

Mitch shared a quote from 7 Rivers Tree Service for tree removal work to be completed on Church Street and along the SD lagoon fence line. The vendor bid the dropping of all trees in the area described and gridding the four stumps along Church Street. The Public Works crew will be removing the wood, branches and brush.

Sewer: \$800

Church Street: \$7,000

Grind (4) stumps: \$1,000

The work will be scheduled to take place this fall, but not during Spanferkel.

Mmsp: Hesse / Kastenschmidt: Motion to approve the bid from 7 Rivers Tree Service in the amount of \$8,800. **3/0/0 Approved**

EQUIPMENT

The SD Ford 1 ton, TT60 New Holland Tractor and the FD Black Truck will be put onto Wisconsin Surplus.

Greg continues to look for someone to look into the necessary repairs for the 2001 International.

Tim Tracey will be installing fans at the Town Shop.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Hesse reminded those in attendance of the Pancake Breakfast at the end of the month.

No updated on the federal grant funds for radios.

The First Responders continue to add more equipment using State Flex Grant Funds.

RECYCLING & SOLID WASTE

Concrete installation plans were discussed, in an attempt to prioritize the project.

No other updates.

TREASURER REPORT AND CHECKS

Mmsp: Hesse / Kastenschmidt: Approve May Treasurer Report including receipts 633903 to 633920. **3/0/0**

Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Hesse: Motion to approve town checks 23263 to 23304 and previously approved EFT. **3/0/0 Passed**

Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Hesse: Motion to approve Fire Department checks 4711-4715. **3/0/0 Passed**

Other Business – The board reviewed the clerk's receipts for reimbursement.\

Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Hesse: Motion to approve reimbursement to the clerk in the amount of \$746.57. **2/0/0 Passed**

A closed meeting will be held on July 17, 2023 at 6:15pm to review applicants for the full time Maintenance position that closes July 14, 2023.

Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Hesse: Motion to adjourn at 7:54pm.