

TOWN OF FARMINGTON MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
March 5, 2024
7:00pm
FARMINGTON TOWN HALL
N8309 County Road C, Mindoro WI, 54644

Attendees: Mike Hesse, Crystal Sbraggia, Paul Lash, Jodi Anderson, Greg Kastenschmidt
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 February 6, 2024 Regular Town Board Meeting. **3/0/0 PASSED**

PUBLIC CONCERNS:

Larry Craig inquired about remaining ARPA funds. Hesse noted that the funds have already been spent on sewer lining and road reconditioning. Further questions from Craig regarding SD expenditures and grants were fielded.

Jake Jacobsen, County Board Supervisor District 25, was in attendance to share 2024 LaCrosse County road repair plans. He stated that District 25 has been approved to recondition 14.8 miles in 2024, noting that it was a record high number of miles since 2012. He is running for re-election in April.

Gayle Monicken asked about the status of M. Olson Road repairs. Discussion on LRIP funding and timelines were discussed. Hesse noted that \$68,000 of LRIP funding has been earmarked for this repair, but is considered pending until obligation paperwork has been received and processed. The expected timeline for this paperwork according to Hesse is late spring. No final decisions regarding the repair of this road have been made.

MINDORO PARK

Fenske shared that the new trails at the Mindoro Park have been flagged and that additional clearing and boom mowing will be taking place.

Discussion took place regarding volunteers offering to mow the park.

Discussed took place regarding resident abuse of park restrooms.

SANITARY DISTRICT

Fenske shared that added measures are being taken to help cure the Algae build up at the treatment plant.

Fenske reported that the aerator installed by Prairie Farms has been helpful in allowing the town to maintain up to 85-90% of waste.

Efforts are being made to collect camera footage of sewer lines near the trailer park to gain a more solid project scope.

Focus on water quality trade continues.

Delinquent sanitary district residents will receive preliminary shut off warnings.

CEMETERY

No updates.

ROADS

Mitch shared a brief update on roads and noted plans for public work employees to attend Msha training in March.

Jewell Engineering

The board reviewed an agreement submitted by Jewell Engineering for the preparation and submittal of a 2024 ARIP funding application for Baker Road.

Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Lash: Motion to approve the service agreement prepared by Jewell for the preparation and submittal of a 2024 ARIP Grant Application for Baker Road with an estimated cost between \$1,000 and \$1,500. **Passed 3/0/0**

Motion made by Hesse to submit a second ARIP funding application for M. Olson died due to no second.

EQUIPMENT

EMERGENCY SERVICES

The American Legion, with help from the Farmington Fire Department, will hold their annual fundraiser on March 23, 2024 at Cindy's Bar.

The Farmington First Responders will hold their annual Chili dinner on March 17, 2024 at Melrose - Mindoro School Campus.

RECYCLING & SOLID WASTE

Dennis Konze was in attendance to share the Recycling Center update.

Discussion on the status of lights to be installed near dumpster area took place.

Konze requested the board consider paying him a cell phone stipend. No decision.

Konze requested the board consider installing more concrete at the center this summer. No decision.

TREASURER REPORT AND CHECKS

Mmsp: Lash / Kastenschmidt: Motion to approve the February Treasurer Report including receipts 632208 to 632219. **3/0/0 Passed**

Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Lash: Motion to approve town checks 23640 to 23689 and previously approved EFT. **3/0/0 Passed**

Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Lash: Motion to approve Fire Department checks 4755-4757. **3/0/0 Passed**

Mmsp: Kastenschmidt / Lash: Motion to approve SD February EFT transactions and checks numbered 5773-5780. **3/0/0 Passed**

OTHER BUSINESS

Jon Bingol, Mississippi River Regional Plan Commission delivered hard copies of most recent comprehensive plan and parcel map to the board.

Mmsp: Hesse / Kastenschmidt: Motion to adjourn at 8:28pm.