

Minutes:

Town of Stockton Board Meeting

Monday, June 13th, 2016

Town Hall, 7252 6th Street, Custer, WI

6:30 pm

1. Call to Order by Chairman Mike Bronk at 6:30 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Supervisor Jeanne Dodge, Supervisor Jerry Piesik, Treasurer Sandy Walters and Clerk Lauri Novotny also present. Community Members in attendance included Kevin Karch, Jeanne Karch, Becky Helbach, Collin Konopacki, Michelle Printz, Jerry Sommers and Don Sommers.
2. Motion (Dodge/Piesik) to approve the agenda for June 13th, 2016. Motion carried 3-0.
3. Motion (Piesik/Dodge) to approve the minutes for the Regular Town Board Meeting of May 24th, 2016. Motion carried 3-0.
4. Motion (Piesik/Bronk) to approve the minutes for the Town of Stockton Board of Review Meeting of June 6th, 2016. Motion carried 3-0.
5. Motion (Dodge/Piesik) to approve the minutes for the Town of Stockton Special Session Town Board Meeting of June 6th, 2016. Motion carried 3-0.
6. Anyone wishing to address the Board – No one came from the audience came forth with issues or concerns.
7. Chairman Bronk reported to the Board that we've received a request from Mi-Tech to extend the underground fiber optic cable on Adams Lake Road. A letter will be drafted asking them to contact the Road Foreman once completed so that he may make sure that the area is acceptable. Supervisor Piesik voiced a concern that he would like to ensure that the company does not destroy the road but rather bore under the road during construction. Motion (Dodge/Piesik) to approve an installation and extension of underground fiber optic cable on Adams Lake Road with the understanding that the company must bore under the road verses destroying our Town road. Motion carried 3-0.
8. Chairman Bronk indicated to the Board that we've received a request from a constituent requesting a "Children Crossing" sign be placed on 9th Street before Serenity Lane. Chairman Bronk explained that the sign is not an approved DOT sign and, therefore, we do not have the authority to place such a sign on Town roads. He further explained that drivers are always to be expecting children, should be obeying signs including the speed limit and that they need to exercise caution when driving. Mr. Collin Konopacki asked the Board if a "hidden intersection sign" might be able to be placed as the area is around a curve and is quite wooded causing difficulty in exiting Serenity Ln. Ms. Becky Helbach suggested that the Town trim the ditch areas to allow for better visibility. Board members agreed that this would definitely be something that we can do. Chairman Bronk indicated to the audience that, at a minimum, we would put an intersection sign in combination with clearing the brush around the area and revisit the situation if the problem exists.
9. Kennedy Avenue Deterioration – Chairman Bronk stated that we've recently received a request from Mr. Don Sommers in regards to the deterioration of Kennedy Avenue which is a shared road with the Town of Plover. Mr. Don Sommers and Mr. Jerry Sommers were asked to elaborate on the situation. Jerry Sommers stated that the area between the Joe Firkus property extending one and one-half miles to 1st Street is in desperate need of repair. He stated that Jeff and the road crew did a great job last year and that they were very impressed with the wedging that has previously occurred on Kennedy Ave. from County Highway J to County Highway B. He further explained that Kennedy Ave. is an official truck route from County Highway B to Highway 54 and that Kennedy continues to have extensive farm and truck traffic. Supervisor Piesik stated that according to the DOT map, Kennedy Ave is set up in one mile increments where the Town of Stockton is responsible for one mile and then the Town of Plover the next. Chairman Bronk recommended that the two gentleman in attendance also contact the Town of Plover to ask to speak at their Board Meeting to express the importance of having this road jointly taken care of and that they request to be placed on the Town of Plover's agenda just as they had for the

Town of Stockton. Motion (Bronk/Dodge) to obtain two estimates, send a letter to the Town of Plover indicating that the Town of Stockton is in favor of road repairs to Kennedy Avenue, requesting a meeting between the Town of Stockton and the Town of Plover Boards with a copy of the letter to both Mr. Don Sommers and Mr. Jerry Sommers. In addition, request that the road repairs be included in the 2017 road budget within the letter to the Town of Plover, along with copies of the estimates. Motion carried 3-0.

10. Train Whistle Ordinance – Chairman Bronk stated that we’ve received a complaint from a resident living near the Old Highway 18/Burbank railroad crossing. This individual requested that the Town create an Ordinance prohibiting the whistle blowing at this crossing. Chairman Bronk indicated that the crossing at Old Highway 18 and Burbank Rd does have lights and gates present but that the railroad continues to blow the whistle. It is the Board’s understanding that the only time that the whistle is necessary is when there is a crossing that does not have lights and gates present. The Town of Stockton has a number of railroad crossing areas including County Highway K and the crossing at County Materials in which the Board believed that the whistle would still be necessary because the crossing is in a location that is at road grade. It was decided that the best option, at this point, is to contact the Wisconsin Towns Association to inquire as to whether or not the Town has the authority to adopt a no whistle blowing ordinance since there are lights and gates at the Old Hwy 18/Burbank crossing. In addition to the request, we need to find out what the liability is on the Town should an accident occur because of the non-blowing of the whistle at this location. Clerk Novotny will email the legal department at the Wisconsin Town’s Association and report back to the Board.
11. Correspondence – Chairman Bronk shared an email received from Portage County Land and Water Conservation Division regarding a joint meeting of the Agriculture and Extension Education, Land and Water Conservation, and Planning and Zoning Committees scheduled for Tuesday, June 28th and encouraged all who are interested to attend.
The 2016 Full Value Notice received from the State of Wisconsin Department of Revenue was shared with Board Members by Chairman Bronk. This lists the Manufacturing Real Estate as \$2,211,400 value, Manufacturing Personal Property valued at \$309,500 with a Total Manufacturing Total of \$2,520,900.
Lastly, Chairman Bronk indicated that the Town received \$4,990.65 from the Department of Natural Resources which was the 2016 Recycling Grant Award.
12. 2016 Road Work – Chairman Bronk reported that the Road Crew is working on crack filling, getting ready for chip sealing.
13. Motion (Dodge/Piesik) to approve checks numbered 31437 to 31479 and ACH transactions numbered 160583 to 160585. Motion carried 3-0.
14. Chairman Bronk presented 2016 Budget vs. Actual Report.
15. Treasurer Sandy Walters presented the May 2016 Treasurer’s Report to the Board. Motion (Dodge/Piesik) to accept the report as submitted. Motion carried 3-0.
16. Chairman Bronk presented the application materials and fees received Julius Falkavage LLC, d/b/a People’s Meat Market, seeking a renewal of their Class “A” Fermented Malt Beverage (Beer) license to retail such alcohol beverages, off-premises consumption only, for the period July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017. Motion (Dodge/Piesik) to approve the applications for Julius Falkavage LLC, d/b/a People’s Meat Market and grant such licenses for issuance on June 13th, 2016. Motion carried 3-0.
17. Chariman Bronk presented the application materials and fees received from six Town of Stockton tavern owners seeking to renew their Combination Class “B” Fermented Malt Beverage/”Class B” Intoxicating Liquor licenses for the period July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017. Clerk Lauri Novotny presented the application materials and fees

received from Jacquelin J. Clancey doing business as Clancey's Stone Lion, Judith M. Sopa doing business as Custer's Pit Stop, TL Brigs LLC/Todd Brigman doing business as Custer Roadhouse, Cynthia L. Barden doing business as Hitchin' Rail, Reed Scott Rossier doing business as Rossier's Stockton Bar and Spur Enterprises LLC/Gene N. Shulfer doing business as Smokey Spur Bar & Grill. Motion (Dodge/Piesik) to approve the applications for the above mentioned establishments for renewal of Combination Class B Retail Licenses and grant such licenses for issuance on June 13th, 2016. Motion carried 3-0.

18. Chairman Bronk presented the application materials and fee received from a total of fourteen individuals wishing to obtain Town of Stockton Operator's license for the period July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017. Motion (Piesik/Dodge) to approve the renewal of Operator's Licenses and to grant such license for issuance to Brenda Marie Cieslewicz, Amy DesJarlais, Duane Kruzitski, Jayne M. Marchal, Rebecca L. Murphy, Roger Stanczyk, Brent Laurence Higgins, Rachel Hintz, Sandra J. Lepinski, Amy Jo Meyer, Laura Jan Wheeler, and Kathleen Herman. Motion carried 3-0. Motion (Bronk/Piesik) to approve new Operator's Licenses for Andrew J. Aguielera and Carley C. Prochaska and to grant such licenses for issuance on June 13th, 2016. Motion carried 3-0.
19. Clerk's Report - Clerk Lauri Novotny stated that the next Town of Stockton Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 27th, 2016.
20. Chairman Bronk reminded members that any item wishing to be on a future agenda should be provided to the Clerk in advance.
21. Motion to adjourn (Dodge/Piesik) at 7:28 pm. Motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Lauri Novotny, Town Clerk

Approved: June 27, 2016
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