

Minutes:

Town of Stockton Board Meeting

Monday, November 26th, 2018

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 Terry Johnson, Clerk Lauri Novotny, and Treasurer Sandra Walters also present. Representing the Emergency Services Department was Fire Chief Chris Kluck. Also present were Jim Dodge, Jerry Piesik, Cindy Davis and Portage County Executive Chris Holman.
2. Motion (Dodge/Johnson) to approve the agenda for November 26th, 2018. Motion carried 3-0.
3. Motion (Johnson/Dodge) to approve the minutes for the Town Board Meeting of November 13th, 2018. Motion carried 3-0.
4. Motion (Dodge/Johnson) to approve the minutes for the Public Hearing on the Proposed 2019 Town of Stockton Budget of November 14th, 2018. Motion carried 3-0.
5. Motion (Dodge/Johnson) to approve the minutes for the Special Town Meeting of the Stockton Electors of November 14th, 2018. Motion carried 3-0.
6. Motion (Johnson/Dodge) to approve the minutes for the Town Board Meeting of November 14th, 2018. Motion carried 3-0.
7. Anyone wishing to address the Board – No one came forth with questions or concerns.
8. Town of Stockton Parks Discussion – Mr. Jerry Piesik reported to the Board that the Park Committee recently met. He stated that the soccer goals are in place; nets, field markers and paint have been purchased. He indicated that they discussed future projects including installation of asphalt pads instead of the rubberized ones that are currently in use at each of the disk golf locations. This is due to deterioration. Chairman Bronk commented that the pads were purchased used and this is a topic that would need to be discussed in the spring as it's too late in the year to accomplish this task. Mr. Piesik stated that further discussion relating to the ice rink area location and maintenance as well as the addition of a multipurpose basketball, pickle ball and volleyball area. The Park Committee requested the Board purchase a "Little Lending Library" to add to the Town of Stockton Park as well. The specific library was shown to the Board. Clerk Novotny will place the order.
9. Emergency Services Report - **Fire Chief General Report** – Fire Chief Chris Kluck reported to the Board that the Department is continuing to get people that are interested in both Fire and EMS. The Fire Department maintains about 24-25 members with the EMS team comprising of 11 members. **Fire Report:** Fire Chief Chris Kluck stated that the Department has had a total of four calls since he last reported to the Board; two motor vehicle accidents, one fire call and one mutual aid call in Amherst. **EMS Report:** Fire Chief Chris Kluck reported that the EMS team has responded to a total of five calls within the last month with three being medical in nature and two trauma calls. Chief Kluck also indicated to the Board that he has recently requested how much it will take to outfit new members and use that information to determine if we can effectively afford to bring on new members, looking at all funding options and spending habits as well. Chief Kluck stated that he will provide further, more in depth information in January as to the status of the EMS team.
10. EMR (Emergency Medical Response) Funding Changes – Fire Chief Chris Kluck reported that the grant proposal for 2019 changes have been a topic of great discussion over the past couple of months. He stated that, ultimately, the overall draft proposal indicates that the municipality fill fund the Dept and then request funds from the County the following year. Portage County Executive Chris Holman addressed the Board and the audience, also providing an update/clarification of the EMR grant and the changes that have been points of

contention. He stated that extensive discussions have been held which resulted in the changes and some clarification of various points of the proposed draft. County Executive Holman further indicated that the municipalities will see an increase in funding as it relates to the base amount. Fire Chief Chris Kluck commented that County Executive Chris Holman has been phenomenal to work in relation to furthering the discussion and implementing changes to the proposed grant. Fire Chief Kluck also indicated that the Town of Stockton is fortunate to have Clerk Lauri Novotny who has worked diligently to ensure that the deadlines and necessary documentation is in order for the Town to maximize the funding opportunities for the EMS grant.

11. Fire Department Capital Purchase Request – Chairman Bronk stated that the Fire Department has recently requested funds to update their extrication tools. Fire Chief Chris Kluck indicated that the Department has been researching “Jaws” extrication tools. He further went on to explain how the dissection of a vehicle takes place, showing Board members and the audience a piece of a car that had been dissected using the updated equipment. Chief Kluck reported that the current tools are showing considerable age and deterioration. The Dept recently had a demonstration of new tools that would greatly improve the service to the community not only in terms of safety but also the timeliness of extricating an individual from a vehicle. Chairman Bronk stated that the Board per the information provided by Clerk Novotny, he felt that it was in the best interest of the community to invest in the best tools that we can for our community in order to get the job done in a safe and efficient manner. Motion (Dodge/Johnson) to approve the purchase from Fire-Rescue Supply in Belleville, WI in the amount of \$25,195.00 for extrication equipment, battery operated, lifetime warranty. Motion carried 3-0.
12. Possible Purchase of a V-Plow – Chairman Bronk indicated that the Board had a previous discussion relating to snow plowing of the cul de sacs and the ability to plow them with the current plow trucks. This would relate to the current cul de sacs and dead end roads. Chairman Bronk stated that the current 2005 truck could be “beefed up” to allow use of a V-Plow. There is another possibility which is the 2017 tool truck, however, the tools and other supplies would be moving around while plowing and it’s not really feasible to remove items before plowing each time. He further indicated that the white crew cab truck has a long wheel base which is not conducive to plowing. Chairman Bronk asked the road crew to measure cul de sacs and provide information as to which ones don’t meet the plow standards. Chairman Bronk provided copies of the documentation received from the road crew and asked Board members to review for now. He stated that Terry Johnson has a bid from one local establishment for a V-Plow that could go on a number of Town trucks. At this time, Chairman Bronk asked that Clerk Novotny place the topic on the next Board Meeting Agenda to allow Board Members time to review the necessary information and be able to discuss the topic. Clerk Novotny will make copies of the bid to provide to Board Members for the next meeting.
13. 2018 Road Work – Chairman Bronk reported that the salt has been received and road crew has completed mixing the sand/salt mixture. He stated that the plows have been out a few times already.
14. Community Center Future Plans – Chairman Bronk stated that he received notification today from the realtor indicating that the prospective buyer was asking for property tax information. Chairman Bronk responded that there isn’t a way to calculate it but referred the buyer to our Assessor for further discussion.
15. Chairman Bronk presented the application materials and fee received from one individual wishing to obtain a Town of Stockton Operator’s license for the period November 26th, 2018 to June 30th, 2019. Motion (Dodge/Johnson) to approve the request of Operator’s License and to grant such license for issuance to Ryan Vercimak. Motion carried 3-0.

16. Treasurer Sandra Walters presented the October 2018 Treasurer's Report to the Board. Motion (Dodge/Johnson) to accept the report as submitted. Motion carried 3-0.
17. Chairman Bronk presented 2018 Budget vs. Actual Report. Motion (Dodge/Johnson) to utilize budget funds then transfer funds from the Restricted Fund Balance-Road Maint/Cons to cover the American Asphalt bill for the 6th Street project. Motion carried 3-0.
18. Motion (Johnson/Dodge) to approve checks numbered 33717 to 33733 and ACH transaction number 180762. Motion carried 3-0.
19. Clerks Report – Clerk Lauri Novotny stated that she has been finalizing the documentation required for the preparation of the 2018 property taxes. Final information will be submitted to the Portage County Treasurer's Office later this week. In addition, Clerk Novotny reminded Board Members that she will be on vacation beginning on Saturday, December 1st, returning to the office on Monday, December 10th, 2018. She will continue to monitor emails and voice mails while away from the office as well as hold the mail as in previous years. With that in mind, she also stated that the next Town of Stockton Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 12th, 2018 at 6:30 pm.
20. Correspondence – Chairman Bronk referenced an email with corresponding attachments regarding the Portage County Groundwater resources available for the municipality. He also shared a notice received from Portage County Planning and Zoning relating to the County Board approval for the rezoning of 40 acres of A1 Exclusive Agricultural land to A3 Low Density Agricultural land which is in reference to parcel #034-23-0926-05. Lastly, Chairman Bronk referenced a letter from the WI Detachment 350 Central WI Marines requesting the Community Center be donated to their organization. Chairman Bronk stated that he felt that the Board owes it to the taxpayers to obtain funds from the sale of the building in order to add tax value to the Town.
21. Chairman Bronk reminded members that future agenda items should be provided to the Clerk in advance.
22. Motion to adjourn (Dodge/Johnson) at 7:45 pm. Motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Lauri Novotny, Town of Stockton Municipal Clerk

Approved: December 12th, 2018
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