Town Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, September 1, 2020
Time: 5:00 p.m.
Location: 2800 Ward Ave, La Crosse, WI 54601

Town Officials Present: Chairman Tim Candahl, Supervisors Renee Knutson, Marlene Heal, Tim Padesky and Tim Ehler (at 5:07), Administrator Christina Peterson (until 5:40), Treasurer Sara Jarr, and Clerk Fortune Weaver.

Town Officials Excused: N/A

Attendance List: Bob and Hunter Matthews, Anthony Larson (of 2318 32nd St S, 54601)

1. Meeting called to order by Candahl at 5:00 p.m.
2. Approve Minutes from 8/18/2020. Motion by Heal, second by Padesky. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Payment of Bills. Motion by Padesky to pay Open Invoices: $145,528.36, second by Heal. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Citizen Concerns. N/A
5. Fire Department Report. Captain Travis Proksch stated that Officer Kate Holinka estimated about 500 tickets remain for the raffle. There will be another ticket selling event at Timmer’s this Friday 9/4/2020. All Star Lanes also offered to host a ticket selling event. They will not agree to anything until after Friday. Call summaries for April - July reviewed (see attached). Chief information updated with State of Wisconsin. Updates and information are easier to submit to FEMA now.
6. Abandoned Cemetery Parcel No. 11-125-1 Wis. Stat. §157.115. The statute says that the Town shall take over maintenance if it has been abandoned for five or more years. A tree service will be used to get the tree out. The Town will need to get a temporary easement to take care of that. Going forward, the Town will pursue other options for obtaining a permanent easement to take care of that land. Ehler motioned to declare the cemetery abandoned, second by Padesky. County and WI Historical Society will be notified.
7. Hunting on the former Nelson Property. Candahl asked the Parks and Vacant Land Committee to review request and bring back a recommendation by October 5, 2020. No action taken at this time.
8. WisDOT Hwy 35 Project. Administrator will work with the DOT to establish in what phase of the project the paving should be completed. Project is 10 feet wide by 6,500 feet long, the cost was roughly estimated around $100,000.00. Funding options will be investigated and presented to the board later. No action taken on this item.
9. Administrator Report. (See Attached)
10. Chairperson/ Supervisors Reports. Candahl reported the Boundary Agreement is going to be discussed more soon. Lions club would like to put up signs in Mormon Coulee Park, they will present the design for approval to the board. Kendhammer mentioned to Candahl that he would like to put a memorial bench in the Mormon Coulee Park. Park’s Committee will investigate specifications and such for bench requests. New signs for subdivisions and
parks/trails need to be more uniform, Town Board and Park’s Committee will be working on that in coming months.

11. **Adjournment.** Motion by Padesky, second by Heal to adjourn at 5:58 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Next meeting will take place September 15, 2020 @ 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Fortune M. Weaver, Clerk