

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF WASHINGTON MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING
January 17, 2019

Members Present: Micheal Peterson, Jane Mueller, Robert Solberg, Michael Stacy, Karen Tomesh

Staff Present: Janelle Henning, Jackie Vold

Members/Staff Absent: None

A quorum being present, Chrm. Peterson called to order the monthly Town Board meeting of the Washington Town Board at 5:00 p.m., on Thursday, January 17, 2019, at the Town Municipal Building, 5750 Old Town Hall Road.

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes:

Supv. Stacy moved TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 20, 2018 MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING. The motion was seconded by Supv. Solberg.

Aye 3 Nye 0

Public Hearing & Board Consideration to Amend Future Land Use Map Designation for Approximately 4.68 Acres from Rural Residential (RR) to Rural Commercial (RC) to Allow Rezoning of the Property to Highway Business District (C3) to Allow for Commercial Development on the Property Located on the South Side of Deerfield Road/CTH II – Request to Table Item to February 21, 2019:

Chrm. Peterson stated the developer could not be here and asked for the hearing to be moved to the February meeting. The item had been published already and that is why it is on the agenda.

Chrm. Peterson moved TO TABLE THE PUBLIC HEARING & BOARD CONSIDERATION FOR A FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT REQUEST TO FEBRUARY 21, 2019. The motion was seconded by Supv. Stacy.

Aye 3 Nye 0

Supv. Tomesh arrived to the meeting.

Request for Variance Regarding Town Ordinance 2.1-2.0572 Parking of Heavy Vehicles Prohibited:

Arron Roder – 2909 Fairfax Street asked for a variance to allow him to park his semi tractor in his driveway. He provided pictures and signatures of neighbors who do not object. Tractor needs to be plugged in during the winter. It does not block the sidewalk, street, or any signs. Chrm. Peterson indicated that there have been cases in the past that have been cited and it is a violation of our ordinance. Supv. Stacy stated it opens a pandoras box if this is granted and it will be requested again. The Board denied the request for a variance and was given until January 24, 2019 to removed the semi tractor.

2018 Transfer of Funds from Assigned Accounts to Operating Budget for 2018 Budgeted Projects:

Admin. Henning indicated that the item is in regards to projects that were done in 2018. This transfer is to move money from our assigned accounts to the operating budget to fund those projects.

Supv. Tomesh moved TO APPROVE THE 2018 BUDGETED PROJECTS TRANSFERS (SEE ATTACHED). The motion was seconded by Supv. Stacy.

Aye 4 Nye 0

2018 Budget Amendment #5210 Salary Calculation:

Admin. Henning reviewed year end journal entries and the salary line item for Administrator was over

budget due to a miscalculation.

Supv. Solberg moved TO APPROVE THE 2018 BUDGET AMENDMENT (SEE ATTACHED). The motion was seconded by Supv. Tomesh.

Aye 4 Nye 0

The December 2018 Financial Statement was reviewed.

Checks:

Supv. Tomesh moved TO APPROVE CHECKS #027569 THROUGH #027669 FOR \$4,113,798.07. The motion was seconded by Supv. Stacy.

Aye 4 Nye 0

Licenses:

Supv. Stacy moved TO APPROVE THE BARTENDER LICENSE FOR CHRISTINE D. THEISEN AND A "CLASS C" WINE LICENSE FOR DOWN TO EARTH LLC; BENJAMIN POLZIN, AGENT. The motion was seconded by Supv. Solberg.

Aye 4 Nye 0

Supv. Mueller arrived at the meeting.

Administrator's Report:

New Rain to Rivers agreement for January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2021; highlighted what the membership does for the Town in terms of us meeting our education requirements for our storm water permit.

Tax collection – approximately 6.3 million out of the 10 million we collect has come in.

Year end activities in office and preparing for the 2018 audit. Auditor on site January 18 for the preliminary audit gathering information for the complete audit in March.

Gasby 74 & 75 requirements – Due to a retired employee participating in the State health and life insurance programs, an actuarary study needs to be done to determine the Town's liability. The Town needs to secure an accountant to evaluate if our liability is material; if it is, it needs to be placed in our Financial Statement.

Plan Commission held a meeting on January 9. The item that was considered will be at our February 21 meeting along with an ordinance regarding Plan Commission duties.

Working with a new vendor, JB Systems for a new website provider. JB Systems is endorsed by the Wisconsin Towns Association. The new website will be up and running within a couple months.

Working with Eau Claire County Sheriff's Department regarding adjustments with their enforcement of our parking ordinances. We need to determine if they are writing citations on our behalf or are they legally enforcing our ordinances.

WI Towns Association meeting for Eau Claire County Unit is on January 29 at the Clear Creek Town Hall.

1 ticket issued for cattle at large to Robert Bisek, 10325 Mathwig Road. Owner has sold the cattle.

2 tickets issued for unlicensed dogs to Harold Byrdlong, 1269 Red Pine Drive; same dogs involved in the attack last month.

Chairman's Report:

Appeared in court on January 15 for the cattle on roadway and the unlicensed dogs; neither party appeared in court so a judgement has been issued against them.

Supervisor's Report:

None

Citizens Input:

None

Future Zoning Requests:

Request for Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map Amendment

Items for Next Meeting's Agenda:

None

Adjournment:

Supv. Tomesh moved TO ADJOURN. The meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

THE BOARD'S NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON FEBRUARY 21, 2019
AT 5:00 P.M. AT THE TOWN MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 5750 OLD TOWN HALL ROAD

Jackie Vold

Deputy Clerk/Administrative Assistant

Attendance: Arron Roders and Angela Meier