

TOWN OF RIDGEVILLE
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
July 8, 2019

Board Members in attendance: Chairman, Keith Giraud; 1st Supervisor, Ron Luethe; 2nd Supervisor, Jerry Haney; also in attendance was Clerk, Rita Williams and Treasurer, Kathy Cale.

The Regular Monthly Meeting was called or order by Chairman Keith Giraud.

1. Pledge to the American Flag

The pledge was recited.

2. Public Comments on Agenda Items Only

There were no public comments. There was only one person mentioning if she could talk when we got to that item on the agenda. Chairman Giraud not that she would be able to state what she wanted.

3. Approval of the Minutes from June 11, 2019 Regular Monthly Meeting

The minutes of the June 10, 2019 meeting were reviewed and approved with a motion from Ron Luethe and seconded by Jerry Haney. Motion Carried.

4. Updates from Comprehensive Planning Commission's Previous Meeting: (Any recommendations or requested action will not be acted upon by the board at the present meeting. Any recommendations/action will be placed on the agenda by the discretion of the chairman at the next regular monthly board meeting.

Inese Strazdins Epstein noted that they have not had another meeting since the last regular board meeting, so they have nothing new to report.

5. Approval of Driveway Permit – Chad Marti on Kerry Ave.

The Driveway Permit that was submitted last month but could not be acted upon since it was not on the board meeting agenda was again reviewed. It was approved with a motion from Keith Giraud and seconded by Ron Luethe. Motion Carried.

6. Discussion on menu for Monroe County WTA Unit Meeting on Aug 15 hosted by Ridgeville

After some discussion there was a motion from Keith Giraud and seconded by Ron Luethe to have Chicken and Ham as the menu item with Brownie for Dessert at the Monroe County WTA Unit Meeting that is to be hosted by our Town of Ridgeville on August 15. The meeting will be at Club 16 in Sparta. It was noted that on the agenda is information about the NIXEL flood warning system and how to register; 2020 Census and opportunities for employment; town use of the county zoning and effects on upcoming ordinance; info on WTA Convention in WI Dells...plus legislative comments and transportation fixes.

7. Discussion on Emergency Scenarios at Norwalk Dam-Notification Flow Charts

Supervisor Luethe noted he had attended a meeting where they received “Notification Flow Charts” in case of a Failure of the Tri-Creek Dam. He showed pictures of the Tri-Creek Flood Warning System and gave a little insight on how it would work.

8. Discussion on Feasibility Determination for the Proposed County Landfill Expansion

Chairman gave some information again on the continued progress on the Landfill Expansion. It was noted that this would involve about 13 acres.

9. Discussion on Proposed Modern Disposal System Tipping Fee

It was also noted that we received notice from Modern Disposal Systems-Sparta that they will now be charging tonnage fees for recycling materials. They will be billing us out at \$40/ton for what you recycle. Clerk Williams noted that we received the first billing this month totaling \$78.40 for 1.96 Tons.

10. Discussion on Town Input for Proposed Non-Metallic Mining Amendments to Ch. 47-Zoning of the Monroe County Code of Ordinance-Meeting set on July 15, 6:00 PM Monroe County Justice Center Board Assembly Room # 1200

It was noted that there would a meeting on July 15, 2019 at 6:00 PM at the Monroe County Justice Center Monroe County Board Assembly Room – 1st Floor-Room # 1200. They are requesting Town input on proposed non-metallic mining amendments to Ch.47-Zoning of the Monroe County Code of Ordinances.

11. Discussion of CAFO Application Expansion

There was a lengthy discussion in reference to the “Public Notice of Availability of a Nutrient Management Plan and Intent to Issue a Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (SPDES) Permit # WI-0066451-01-0 for the Hawk High Dairy at 21130 County Highway T. There were concerns about the smell and their drinking water. After some heated discussion from both sides it was decided to wait and see what happens with this issue. A request for a public hearing has been requested. Supervisor Luethe noted to all what CAFO is and how they will be monitoring everything.

12. Discussion on FEMA Projects

Chairman Giraud gave information on where we are with the FEMA projects. A lot of work still needs to be done and FEMA people are still looking at roads. It still could be a long process.

13. Discussion on Compliance to the Attorney’s Letter/Recommendation for Access to Norwalk Pond Issues

It was noted that Mr. Murphy has placed a sign around the same place as the previous barricade stating “No Trespassing”. It was noted that he had complied with the lawyer’s letter to remove the barricade but now has replaced it with a sign. After some discussion it was noted that we would come up with a sign of our own and bring the draft to the next board meeting for consideration.

14. Road Patrolman Report

Patrolman Martin noted that he has been working on FEMA projects. Mr. Martin also noted about one land owner who was unhappy about the installation of a culvert.

15. Treasurer's Report for June 2019

Treasurer Cale presented her monthly treasurer's report for June 2019. She reported a balance of \$10,074.78 in the LGIP General Account, \$3,023.94 in the LGIP Equipment Account, \$31,313.085 in the Norwalk Checking Account, \$68,575.88 in the Norwalk General Savings Account and \$9,440.14 in the Norwalk Lignite Savings Account. The total Current Operating Funds of \$122,427.82.

16. Approval of Bills Paid/To Be Paid

The bills paid/to be paid were reviewed and approved with a motion from Keith Giraud and seconded by Ron Luethe. This motion included the approval of Check # 13431 dated 6/17/19 thru Check # 13453 dated 7/8/19 along with including the payment of the billing to A. Miller Construction for \$2,000 for the salt shed roof and awning above the electrical box. The total of the bills approved was \$28,507.80. Motion Carried.

17. Set Date for Next Regular Monthly Meeting

The next regular monthly meeting has been set up for Monday, August 12, 2019 starting at 7:00 PM.

At this time there was a motion to go into closed session from Ron Luethe and seconded by Jerry Haney. Motion Carried.

18. Closed Session-Convene in closed session Per WI Statutes 19.86 "Notice of Collective Bargaining Negotiations" for the purpose of discussion on benefits and Annual Review of Road Patrolman and Contract (Board Members, Clerk, Treasurer and Road Patrolman to be present in Closed Session)

There was a motion from Ron Luethe and seconded by Jerry Haney to go back into open session. Motion Carried.

The results of the closed session will be announced at the next monthly board meeting.

19. Adjourn Meeting

The meeting was adjourned with a motion from Ron Luethe and seconded by Jerry Haney. Motion Carried.

Rita Williams
Clerk