

Minutes from the Town of Trenton Town Board Meeting

Date and Time: October 20, 2020, 7:30 PM

Location: Town of Trenton Town Hall, 1071 Highway 33 East, West Bend, WI 53095

Present: Chairman Joseph Gonnering (via teleconference), Supervisor Ed Doerr, Supervisor Jeff Esselmann, Clerk Cindy Komro, Zoning Administrator Barbara Davies, Police Chief Steven Swiertz, Attorney Tim Schoonenberg.

Supervisor Ed Doerr asked those in attendance to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Doerr called the Meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

1. Approve Minutes of Town Board Meeting of October 6, 2020:

Joe Gonnering moved to approve the minutes of the Town Board meeting of October 6, 2020; Jeff Esselmann seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

2. Affidavit of Posting:

Supervisor Ed Doerr read the affidavit of posting, that notice was properly posted prior to the meeting on the Town Bulletin Boards and sent to Washington County Daily News and WIBD Radio.

3. Comments and Questions from the Audience:

- George Spaeth, 1791 Wallace Lake Road, commented on ditching work planned for Trenton Road. Denise Green, 7037 N Trenton Road, also asked about the ditching work on Trenton. Joe Gonnering explained the reasons for the ditching and commented on the expected timing of the work.
- Police Chief Steven Swiertz reported on Trenton Police Department activity. Chief Swiertz explained that he will have officers available at various times on Election Day (morning, mid-day and evening through the closing of the polls).

4. Review and Accept Agenda:

Jeff Esselmann moved to approve the agenda, with the following change: move #13 and #12, in that order, to be discussed after #7; Joe Gonnering seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

5. Ordinance Z2020-10-01, Comprehensive Plan Amendment with Accompanying Rezoning, Matthew and Christine Herbst, 54245 Cascade:

Zoning Administrator Barbara Davies presented the Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Rezoning. Jeff Esselmann moved to approve Ordinance Z2020-10-01; Joe Gonnering seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

6. Certified Survey Map – Vitaly and Tatiana Godlevsky, 6198 Congress Drive:

Zoning Administrator Barbara Davies presented the Certified Survey Map. Plan Commission recommends approval. Joe Gonnering moved to approve the CSM; Jeff Esselmann seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

7. Carlstrom Property, 2198 Wallace Lake Road:

Ed Doerr explained that a new septic system (County approved) has been installed. Attorney Schoonenberg advised appointing a special building inspector to inspect the subject property. Then Attorney Schoonenberg discussed advised that if there are violations as a result of the inspection, a court action is likely a better and more efficient process than a stop-work order where and injunction can be issued along with daily forfeitures. The Town board took no action but delegated ordinance enforcement to Attorney Schoonenberg.

8. Short-Term Borrowing:

Jeff Esselmann moved to approve a short-term loan of \$75,000, to be paid within six months; Ed Doerr seconded. Discussion followed. Jeff Esselmann rescinded his motion. Jeff Esselmann moved to approve a short-term loan of \$100,000, to be paid within six months; Joe Gonnering seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

9. Resolution 2020.10.01, Amend 2020 Town Budget:

Clerk Cindy Komro presented the proposed amendment to the 2020 Town Budget. Jeff Esselmann moved to approve Resolution 2020.10.01. Joe Gonnering seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

10. DPW Fencing Bid Award:

Jeff Esselmann presented a summary of the Fencing Bids. Jeff Esselmann moved to award the Fence to Northway Fence, choosing the Base Bid (\$15,300), Alternate #1 Materials (\$1,680) and Alternate #2 Slide Gate Operator (\$5,435) and Radio Receiver, Remote Transmitter, Programmable card reader and cards (specifics to be determined), for a total of ; Joe Gonnering seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

11. Newark Drive:

Ed Doerr updated the Board on the work on Newark Drive.

12. Routes to Recovery Grant Sharing:

Clerk Cindy Komro explained that the Town of Trenton has about \$77,000 available. Of this approximately \$3,000 of this has been requested and processed. Discussion followed. No action.

13. Approve Appointment of Election Inspectors: Orgenia Weisser:

Jeff Esselmann moved to approve the Election Inspector appointment; Joe Gonnering seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

14. Review 2021 Town Budget:

Clerk Cindy Komro presented the 2021 Town Budget draft.

15. Send 2021 Budget to Public Hearing:

Jeff Esselmann moved to set a Budget Public Hearing on Tuesday, November 10 at 7:00 PM; Joe Gonnering seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

16. Department Reports:

Zoning Administrator Barbara Davies reported on the activity in the Building and Zoning Departments. Plan Commission has requested the option of using Zoom for virtual meetings.

Clerk Cindy Komro reported on the upcoming Election (inspector training, ballots, in person absentee hours) and the CARES Grant Funds and Routes to Recovery Grant Funds for COVID related expenses.

Attorney Tim Schoonenberg had nothing to report.

Supervisor Ed Doerr had nothing to report.

Supervisor Jeff Esselmann reported on deferring the Newark Drive ditching work to 2021. Esselmann asked about culvert work that was billed to Town residents. Esselmann asked about a culvert waiver for Scott Schowalter.

Chairman Joe Gonnering reported on a call from a resident expressing concern about a property on Evergreen Drive. Gonnering reported on a call from a resident regarding speeding cars past his house, making exit from his driveway difficult.

17. Payment of Bills:

Jeff Esselmann moved to approve payment of bills totaling \$13,602.36; Joe Gonnering seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

18. Authorize Town Officials to Attend Seminars: Cindy Komro, Governmental Accounting:

Clerk Cindy Komro presented the opportunity for a self-study course on Governmental Accounting for \$159. Jeff Esselmann moved to approve attendance at the Governmental Accounting course; Ed Doerr seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

19. Entertain a Motion to Go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes Sec. 19.85(1)(c):

Jeff Esselmann moved to go into closed session at 8:44 PM, and Ed Doerr seconded. In favor: Jeff Esselmann, Ed Doerr, Joe Gonnering. Opposed: None.

20. Reconvene into Open Session:

Ed Doerr moved to reconvene into open session at 9:08 PM, and Jeff Esselmann seconded. In favor: Jeff Esselmann, Ed Doerr, Joe Gonnering. Opposed: None.

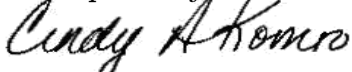
21. Take Action as a Result of Closed Session:

None.

22. Adjourn:

Jeff Esselmann moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:09 PM; Joe Gonnering seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Cindy A Komro, Town Clerk

Affidavit of Posting: These Minutes were posted on the Town of Trenton Town Hall Bulletin Board at 1071 State Hwy 33 East, West Bend, WI on October 31, 2020. Cindy Komro, Town Clerk.

Subject to Approval: These Minutes will be considered for approval by the Town Board at the November 2, 2020 Town Board Meeting.