

Town of Stockbridge
Monthly Town Board Minutes
7:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 8, 2014
Stockbridge Community Hall

Chairman Ken Schaefer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Supervisor Jeff Yelton, Supervisor Connie Loewe, Clerk Janene Van Hoorn, Treasurer Ralph Schmid, Road Supervisor Jerry Ortlieb, and approximately 16 town residents/guests.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The clerk verified that open meeting notices were given.

Jeff Yelton made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Connie Loewe. Motion Carried.

Public Comment: Bill Arndt stated that he had a water shed study completed for the Rockland Beach area. Arndt offered the study for town use. Jay Wirth asked for an update on storm water issues for the Rockland Beach area.

Connie Loewe made a motion to approve the September 10, 2014 meeting minutes as printed. Seconded by Jeff Yelton. Motion Carried.

Town roads, equipment and buildings discussion: Ortlieb told the board that salt has been delivered and they are looking at getting the winter equipment ready. Road side cutting is being completed and road name signs are being replaced. New stop signs were ordered due to several stop signs that were vandalized and run down. Schaefer addressed dangerous amounts of mud left on the road due to agribusiness and stated that the board may have to look at hiring police hours to patrol the situation. Schaefer stated that the town may need to look at regulations for ditches due to agribusiness practices. Ortlieb stated that the Fairy Springs culvert project has been completed.

Update on local storm water issues: Schaefer met with Ortlieb, Nic VandeHey and Bob Ecker above Rockland Beach to review the area related to storm water issues. The DNR has determined that affected water ways are navigable streams which then fall under the jurisdiction of the DNR and restricts what the town can do. Lynn Yelton attended the Manitowoc River Watershed Stormwater Tour which the County/UW Extension facilitated and updated the board on her take-away away from the tour.

Discussion/possible action on Stray Dog and Humane Society donation: The Stray Dog contract has expired and Martin is not interested in renewing the contract. The Humane Society will not take animals from the Town of Stockbridge if the town does not donate to the Humane Society. Tabled until the November meeting.

Ortlieb gave an update on Large Item Garbage Drop-off and Proof of Residence procedures:

Discussion on the work meeting for 2015 budget set for October 28, 2014 occurred.

The Treasurer's Report was presented. Jeff Yelton made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Seconded by Connie Loewe. Motion Carried.

Jeff Yelton made a motion to approve and pay the bills as presented to the board. Seconded by Connie Loewe. Motion Carried.

Correspondence/communications was reviewed. A conference with the DNR regarding Artesian Road is set for October 15, 2014. The clerk was instructed to reschedule the conference.

Being no further business Connie Loewe made a motion to adjourn. 2nd by Jeff Yelton. Meeting adjourned 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janene Van Hoorn
Stockbridge Town Clerk