

Town of Stockbridge

Town Board Minutes

5:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 8, 2019

APPROVED BY BOARD

Stockbridge Community Hall

Chairman Ken Schaefer called the meeting to order at 5 p.m. Present were Supervisors Mark Ecker, Dean Joas, Clerk Steve Phipps, Treasurer Ralph Schmid, Road Supervisor Jerry Ortlieb (JO). No members of the public were present.

Steve Phipps informed the meeting has been properly posted.

Dean J. moved and Mark E 2nd to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Dean J. moved and Mark E 2nd to approve the minutes of the September 4 and September 18 , 2019 meetings.

JO & DEAN ROAD/PAVING UPDATE: MCC met with him and Dean to discuss the parking lot around the community hall. MCC was going to be putting together a repair proposal and getting back to him – Amy Zahringer, village president, was to type a repair list agreed by both parties. MCC was going honor the work under warranty. Ken communicated it would be nice if the gutters could drain roof water away from the building.

JO indicated there is some work he wants to get done on Long Road before the end of the year. JO is also starting to get ready for snowplowing. On Long Road, there is a driveway causing potential problems with drainage on the road and JO mentioned the issue is approaching a point where some work may need to be done. Ken asked JO to bring the issue up next year again. Mud on the roads has been a problem with all the rain – JO has been sweeping too. Mud is not to pushed in the ditches per JO.

Fire Department and 1st Responder's budget: General discussion about the budgets and the reason for previous year's numbers in comparison to the present proposals. Ken moved to keep the 2020 budget total expenditures for the fire department (excluding capital purchase of a truck) and first responders the same as the 2019 budget by a roll vote. Ken voted – Aye. Mark E. voted Aye and Dean J. abstained. Motion carried.

The clerk shared the sample notice furnished by the town's association to post for the elector meeting. General discussion occurred. On the special town meeting notice Mark E. moved and Ken 2nd to modify the special notice to indicate the amount of the new levy and old levy and not express the change as a percentage. The motion carried via a roll call vote. Two Ayes by Ken S. and Mark E. Nay vote by Dean Joas. Motion carried.

Ken talked about a road grant and the possible uses.

Dean J. showed the draft presentation of the road improvement plan sought input from everyone in the room.

Dean J. moved and 2nd by Mark E. to adjourn at 6:49 PM. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Phipps, Stockbridge Town Clerk