

Town of Brooklyn, Green County – February 12, 2018 Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes (Approved by the Town Board)

The Board of Supervisors meeting was called to order at 8:01PM on Monday, February 12, 2018 at the Town Hall. In attendance were Chairman Garth Langhammer, Supervisors Jeff McNeely and Rex Tilley, Treasurer Russell Cichy and Clerk Amy Ross.

The clerk advised that the required meeting notice posting was completed.

The Pledge of Allegiance was shared.

Public Comment

- Cichy advised the flag at Liberty Pole Hill Park, donated by the Bowhunters Club, has been repaired as much as possible. Next time the flag comes down it will be replaced.

Minutes

- Motion by McNeely to approve meeting minutes from 01/08/2018 Regular meeting, second by Tilley; motion carried.

Treasurer's report

- Cichy reported beginning checking account balance of \$789,155.88, receipts \$953,501.63, disbursements \$1,225,535.09, ending checking account balance of \$517,122.42. Money Market account balance \$305,893.32. Money Market transfers of \$15,000 each were made to the Equipment Reserve and Public Safety Reserve per Board instruction.

Clerk's financial report

- Ross reported both the Clerk and Treasurer agree on January 2018 reconciled accounts. Ending checking balance of \$517,122.42 and \$305,893.32 in the Money Market account. This matches the Treasurer's report. Motion by Tilley to accept both the Treasurer's financial report and the Clerk's financial report reconciliation as presented, seconded by McNeely; motion carried.
- Reviewed budget to actual.

Authorization to pay bills

- Motion by McNeely to pay the bills as presented in the amount of \$490,173.85, second by Tilley; motion carried.

Fire/EMS District

- Meeting minutes filed for Albany and Evansville.
- Brooklyn
 - Brooklyn Fire and EMS Representative John Marx reported the Town of Rutland may have a change of Representative.
- Evansville
 - McNeely reported Evansville Fire District has decided they will not be hiring a consultant at this time to review a possible merger of the Evansville Fire District and the Emergency Medical Services Department. They plan to have a roundtable discussion with all parties involved in March and will continue to discuss the possibility of a merger.

Broadband

- Broadband Representative John Marx reported the 2018 Broadband Expansion Grant was submitted by Bug Tussel Wireless. The grant application was submitted prior to review by our Representative. Marx pointed out a few issues with the application, the greatest objection is the height of a possible pole. It was understood the pole height would be 150 feet, the application states 350 feet. Submission of the grant application does not commit the town to anything, even if the grant would be awarded the Town does not have to act on it.

Recycling Committee

- Cichy reported the possible shared building proposal with the Brooklyn Snohornets is on hold.

Highway Committee

- Highway Committee Chairman Hans Herweijer reported.
- Coring reports have been received for Brooklyn Albany Road, Alpine Road and King Road. Reports indicate all roads have a good base.
- The alternative paving process the Highway Committee has been reviewing is not available in our area so is no longer an option.
- Herweijer would like to set the Spring Road tour for April 10th or 11th.

Driveway Ordinance update

- No update available yet, the Board continues to work on revisions to the Green County Driveway Access Verification Form requirement.

Driveways, field roads

- Motion by McNeely to approve Janice Schulz driveway on Alpine Road as totally complete, refund \$1,500 deposit, second by Tilley; motion carried.
- Motion by Langhammer to approve Tim Reilly driveway on State Road 92 as substantially complete and \$1,500 deposit will be held until final inspection (approach to house needs to be completed), second Tilley; motion carried.

Plan Commission

- Planning Commission Chairman Jim Kramer reported Commission members Shirley Davis, Jim Topel and Don Batker terms will expire next month.
- One letter of interest to fill in for the seat vacated by Bernard Easterday has been received. The Commission still seeks more applicants and will conduct interviews next month and make a recommendation to the Board.
- Kevin Klahn would like to build an office for his agriculture business on State Road 104, requested Board signature for County form to proceed with Conditional Use Permit process.

Chairman Report

- Begin working on presentation for the Annual Meeting in April.

Mailbox Issue

- Motion by Langhammer to set a policy to pay a maximum of \$25 per homeowner for mailbox struck by town plow, one time per winter, and must be reported within 24 hours, second by McNeely; motion carried.
- Motion by Langhammer to pay \$25 to Richard Buescher, King Road, for damage to mailbox, second by McNeely; motion carried.

Employee Review

- Motion by McNeely to grant a 2% wage increase (\$23.90), to the town Patrolman Brian Smith, retroactive to January 1, 2018, second by Tilley; motion carried.
- Motion by McNeely to grant a 2% wage increase (\$12.28), to the Lead Recycle Center Attendant John Franklin, retroactive to January 1, 2018, second by Tilley; motion carried.
- Motion by McNeely to increase the Recycle Center Assistant position base pay to \$12/hour, retroactive to January 1, 2018, second by Tilley; motion carried.

WTA Annual Convention

- Motion by Langhammer to approve attendance by any Board member to the WTA Annual Convention in October 2018, second by McNeely; motion carried.

Informational

- Invitation from State Senator Jon Erpenbach to participate in a Community Listening Session.
- Best Dam Bike Tour will be August 4-5, 2018. No Town roads will be used.

Adjournment

- Motion by Langhammer to adjourn, second by McNeely; motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:13PM

Respectfully submitted
Amy Ross, Clerk