

Draft

Town of Vermont Annual Meeting

April 20, 2021 7:00 p.m.

*In order to avoid participation limits, the Annual Town Meeting will be conducted via phone conference. Call into the meeting by dialing (608) 422-4798

1. Call to Order

Karen called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

2. Proof of posting

Katie certified that the meeting was noticed in the Mount Horeb Mail and the Star News and on the town website

3. Approval of the 2020 Annual Meeting Minutes

David Stanfield motioned to approve the minutes from the 2020 meeting. Motion carried 5-0

4. 2020 Financial Report

Karen walked through the income side of the 2020 report, about 75% of our revenue goes right back out to the school and fire districts. We keep \$1.25 per dog license tag, and the rest of that goes to the county as well. The Horribly Hilly Permit Fee will likely be applied to the 2021 fee as they canceled their event last summer due to the pandemic. We had additional revenue for Cares Grant, building permits, MFL payments. Katie went through the numbers for expenses. The noteworthy expenses for the year included increased spending on elections during the presidential election year, particularly with increased amounts of postage for the large number of absentee ballots. We also had higher than average spending on the International Truck, which influenced the decision to go ahead with a replacement this year.

A question was asked about the relative costs for the fire and school districts. Per capita Mount Horeb residents pay about 3 times what Black Earth residents do for fire district. The Wisconsin Heights referendum for the new construction goes through 2042, and the April auditorium referendum did not pass.

David moved to approve the 2020 financial statement. Motion carried 5-0

6. Road Maintenance Report

The town has moved back to a road maintenance quadrant system for chip sealing allows us to rotate through roads every 4 years and then 2 years to save up or do overlay project. 2021 will be our biggest year, 10 miles of roads. 2020 was a light year, only 2 miles of roads. Late spring the roads will be crack filled and have culverts replaced as needed before chip sealing. The following roads will be chip sealed in 2021: Bohn, Braun, Cedar Hill Lane, Enerson, Kremer, Lickel, McKenzie, Michaelis, Moen Valley, Old Indian Trail, Pleasant Valley, Roberts, Stanfield, Union Valley, Vermont Church Road. Town board approved bid from Fahrner, which came in \$2000 under budget. We will be also replacing the international truck this year. Pickup will be this fall and we have accrued all the dollars necessary to pay for that truck.

7. Discussion of any other business to come before the meeting

David Stanfield asks what we expect out of the Relief and Infrastructure and Jobs Act. Karen replied that we generally get really good information from WTA. Katie stated that she has received an email stating that more information will be forthcoming, but we do not have any information yet.

8. Set date for 2022 Annual Town Meeting

The 2022 meeting was set for Tuesday April 19, 2022 at Town Hall

9. Adjournment

John made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 pm.