

Minutes
Town of Vermont Board Meeting
May 13 , 2024
Vermont Town Hall
4017 County Rd JJ, Black Earth WI 53515

7:00 P.M.

To Join the meeting by phone: +1 347-896-0991 PIN: 481 262 925#

In attendance: Karen, Doug, Alex, Kirk, Nick

1. Call to order and certification of notice posting
Karen called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Katie certified that the meeting had been posted according to statute, on the website and emailed to subscribers
2. Approval of agenda
Doug motioned to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0
3. Approval of April minutes
Kirk motioned to approve the minutes. Motion carried 5-0
4. Chairman's report and acknowledgments
Dane County will be sending out a postcard on our behalf in regards to the ridgetop protection potential overlay.
5. Citizens' Input
none
6. Treasurer's report
Karen made a motion to postpone the treasurer's report. Motion carried 5-0
7. Clerk's report
There was one new single family home building permit this month.
Alex made a motion to approve the clerks report. Motion carried 5-0.
8. Payment of bills
Doug made a motion to approve the payment of the bills. Motion carried 5-0
9. Patrolman Report, Mt. Horeb Fire Department, Black Earth Fire District and District 1
EMS Reports
Jack laid 85 tons of asphalt for patching. Cleaned the bridge decks and have culverts ready to go for installation.
Mount Horeb Fire, the events of May 1 had a significant impact.
Black Earth Fire, there will be a new engine purchase in 2028 and the ordering is far enough out they need to be considering it soon. Tanker 26 needs some repairs and the town will be responsible for 19% of that cost.
District One, Scott Moe is stepping up to Vice Chair.

10. Consideration and possible approval of allocation of carry-over from 2023 to reserve accrual for 2024

Karen made a motion to move item 10 below item 13

The carryover amount was \$68,454. Kirk suggested that we allocate money for the land purchase. Karen suggested that we allocate for the bridge, and Kirk suggested that if we can leave it unallocated, we might as well. Kirk Lynch made a motion to put 10,000 towards the acquisition of the land next to town hall and the rest remain unallocated. Motion carried 5-0. Heather will update the schedule in Quickbooks and send out an update.

11. Zoning application, Susan Powers and Daniel Frame, County Highway F

Kirk Made a motion to approve the rezone for two (Lot 1 and Lot 2) new FP1 zoning sites out of a larger FP-1. There is only one PDR that will go with these two lots. (not a PDR for each.) The remaining PDR stays with the Powers property.

Motion carried 5-0 (on the Dane County agenda for May 28, town will submit action report)

12. Zoning Application Marc Robertson and Anne Bosch

The rezone area ended up being 4.46 acres. The rezone will be to RR-4. The remaining acreage will stay in FP-35. The necessary width is there for the split driveway, Marc reports there is 44 ft of width. Karen made a motion to approve the driveway petition for Marc and Anne Bosch .

13. Treasurer's Report

Heather has adjusted the format of the written treasurers report. She walked through the format. Kirk made a motion to approve the treasurers report. Motion carried 5-0.

14. Next steps regarding offer to purchase land adjacent to town hall

The landowner replied saying he is good with the proposal. Next steps are that Katie will reach out to Williamson Surveying to get a survey of the area. Kirk will reach out to Kay to get started on offer to purchase.

15. Town Roads: Turn-around Discussion and Plans to Address

Katie sent letter to property owners at Shower Road regarding turn-around easement agreement. Jack will follow up to see if letter has been received. For Hoda Road, Kirk and Karen talked to Kay and she says they do need to go through all the formal steps with the other property owners. But when the landowners agree the town can just remove that dedication.

Kirk reports that there are 36 dead end roads. He is not in favor of making significant investment to address the issues with those roads. Broderick, McKenzie, Thumper and Haugen are the four most in need of some solution. However the board does feel that the solution needs to be universal for all the dead ends. Options include sending letters or easement agreements to all the affected landowners on the dead end roads. The board walked through each of the dead end roads on our list to consider if there is a

suitable turnaround or location for turnaround. The question was floated about adding ordinance language prohibiting parking along the roads during snow season, which would disallow parking in the turnarounds during the winter. Karen will prepare a draft letter regarding easements for consideration next month.

16. Town picnic planning

We would like to be at the church again and will do Costco for the food. We are looking for local music.

17. Discussion regarding July Mount Horeb Fire/EMS budget open house

There will be an open house regarding the budget on July 23 at 7:00 pm and the board is encouraged to attend.

18. Review draft minutes from annual Town meeting and discuss any action items or future board agenda topics

We will make the needed updates to the contact list on the websites.

19. First reading of the updated Building Code Ordinance

The board reviewed the updated Building Code Ordinance

20. Agenda items for June

Liquor license renewal Tyrol Basin.

Turnarounds

Property purchase

21. Adjournment

Alex made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:06