

TOWN OF GREENFIELD LA CROSSE COUNTY, STATE OF WISCONSIN N1800 Town Hall Road, La Crosse WI 54601

Town Board Meeting; Wednesday, October 12, 2022

BOARD PRESENT: Chair Tom Jacobs, Supervisors Kevin Timm and Chad Morris **STAFF PRESENT:** Clerk Jill Murphy and Treasurer Danny Kjos

Call to Order: Chair Jacobs called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Notices were posted.

Minutes: Motion by Morris/Timm to approve September 14 town board mtg. minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: September 2022 financial report was presented. Motion by Jacobs/Morris to approve. **Motion** carried. Chair inquired about possibility of needing to take out a short-term operating loan. Treasurer Kjos stated it may be needed in the Spring of 2023. Clerk stated the remainders of contractual bills that will need to be paid are: Shelby Fire \$16,000, Coon Creek Fire \$1,250, and Associated Appraisals \$2,350. Culvert bill maybe coming in along with the regular monthly bills. *Note: Barry Nelson asked if treasurer's report can be posted on the website along with the minutes. Treasurer Kjos stated he will start sending the report in a PDF next month so the clerk can post it to the website.

Shelby Fire Department: Report read by clerk per email sent by Chief Holinka. In September we had a total of 30 calls or one per day. 28 of those calls were medical in nature, the other 2 were for fire. The average time for the fire department to get a truck out the door for medical calls is 3:59 minutes, and for fire calls was 1:41. That is the quickest since I have been keeping track, and a great quantitative metric when second count. The fire department has been awarded grant money to purchase tools that will have direct benefit to all the areas we serve. 37,900.00 was awarded to purchase cardiac monitors, LUCAS device (machine that can perform chest compressions), body armor, and body substance isolation equipment. We are still waiting on the AFG federal grant award. Some area departments have gotten the award already, but these are rolled out at different times. So, we are keeping our fingers crossed. Responding to the remainder of Chief Holinka's email regarding the town's Emergency Management Plan, Chair Jacobs stated a plan has been developed but will need updating. Motion made by Jacobs/Timm to approve Shelby Fire report. **Motion** carried

Lawn Mowing Ordinance Amendment: Chair Jacobs tabled for a couple months until details can be ironed out; namely whether to have a height or time scale ordinance for mowing grass.

Roads: Supervisor Timm read an email received from Ridgeview Height's resident Joe Shikonya concerning cracking on the new and old parts of Bahr Rd. that will be needing future repairs and also a mowing question. Timm stated Bahr Rd. will be put on bid list of rds. needing repairs for next yr. or yr. after next. Also stated that resident was told town was not able to mow subdivision entrance near Hwy 33. Sanitary District looking at annexing property on Servais Farm for home building. Existing issue is that sewer only goes to end of Park St. Resolutions needed to address issue read by Chair Jacobs. 2022-5 Accepting Conveyance of the Extension of Park Street. Motion made by Morris/Timm to approve. **Motion** carried. * Note: Town to make the end of Park St. into a cul-de-sac. 2022-6 Approving the procedure to add Lot 1 of Proposed Servais Certified Map Property into the St. Joe's Sanitary District 1. Motion made by Jacobs/Morris to approve. **Motion** carried. This matter can now be noticed as a public hearing and put on the Nov. agenda. Quitclaim Deed for rd. extension and resolutions to be signed after mtg. Chair Jacobs noted since the resolution was written so that a public hearing can take place in Nov. and that the town is approving resolution from Sanitary Dist. to add land into the dist. and resolution for rd. extension, the Monday 10/17 mtg. on this issue can be cancelled. Supervisor Timm stated stop signs have been put up in the Village, replacement signs are being put up in other places within the town,

and a list of signs on hand and those needed is being compiled. Chair Jacobs stated he talked with County Hwy. Dept. about culvert on Schams, will have answer soon.

*Citizen Concern: County board supervisor, Ken Schlimgen, updated town on the amended County Comprehensive Plan. County's vision is as follows: No const. on steep slopes (30%+ with walk out basements), discouraging subdivisions with 5 or more lots without city sewer/water(H2O contamination issue stated), offer county properties for below market prices for non-profits for new housing developments, ensure economic viability of the airport, prohibit const. on bluffs and ridgelines, stop sky lining (ruining view), restrict lighting including street yards, street lights, and yard lighting in rural areas (ruining view). Going to use ARPA funds \$90,000 to support festivals. Can apply up to \$9,000, St. Joe's Lion Club is eligible. Lastly, Schlimgen stated to consider pollinator plots in mowing ordinance.

Fritz Leinfelder, candidate running for County Sheriff, talked of his credentials and the issues he sees of importance that he would like to see addressed if elected.

Motion made by Timm/Jacobs to adjourn. Motion carried. Adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jill Murphy Town Clerk