



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

Town Board Meeting; Monday, April 8, 2024

***Minutes subject to corrections/changes until approved by Town Board.**

BOARD PRESENT: Chair Kevin Timm, Supervisors Chad Morris & Daren Schieldt

STAFF PRESENT: Clerk Jill Murphy & Treasurer Danny Kjos

Call to Order: Chair Timm called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Notices were posted.

Minutes: Motion by Morris/Schildt to approve March town board mtg. minutes. **Motion** carried.

Treasurer's Report: March financial report was presented. Motion by Morris/Schildt to approve after loan name change. **Motion** carried.

Shelby Fire Dept: Chief Holinka was unable to attend. Sent email; read by Timm. On 4/10 SFD is hosting a Gunderson Health System PACE meeting; where area first responder groups can get additional training in EMS skills. SFD received a donation from a patient's family as we rescued them off the bluff on 3/7/2024. SFD had a successful fundraiser chicken - que on 3/17/2024. We sold out at 2:06 pm with roughly 3200 meals. SFD is working with Mt. La Crosse on an MOU to have the use of their water supply on the top of County Rd MM. This water access will benefit residences off of County Rd MM, adjacent streets, and top of Hwy 14/61 to the Greenfield town line. Median time enroute for calls in the month of March was 3.16 minutes. Of the 21 calls in March, 17 were in the Town of Shelby, 3 were in Town of Greenfield, and 1 was a mutual aid call.

Ron Schmidt; CSM map; splitting off home from 1.03 acres, add 1.03 acres to other existing acreage on property. Map viewed by board/Planning Commission members, no concerns. Motion by Morris/Schildt to approve. **Motion** carried. Form signed.

Jeff Murphy, Zone changes from Rural w/ conditions to rural w/o conditions. Split land, sell present home with approx. 10 acres, keep remaining acreage and build new home. Motion by Morris/Schildt to approve. **Motion** carried. Form signed.

Approve Shelby Fire Contract: Enter into a new contract with SFD; will take over for the area responded to by Coon Creek Fire Dept.; thus, responding to all town emergency calls. Figures given for 3 yr. contract \$56,000 with 3% annual increases, \$3,000 1-time fee for missed CPI increases. Will receive 2% fire dues. Will re-evaluate after the 3- yr. term. Motion by Timm/Schildt to approve. **Motion** carried.

Approve a Refuse & Recycling Contract: Bid to Big Hook to supply services for the next 4 yrs. Discussion and exchange regarding constructing/aligning center with open top containers vs. previous set up. Idea to use compactor for cardboard. Still have container for metals, comingling recyclables, construction, and unacceptable. Company will bring in a compactor to dump and compact trash on site. Contract \$69,000. Some residents have serious reservations with the change of open boxes for refuse. Big Hook willing to make adjustments if needed. Hope to have Hilltoppers take out equipment after last Tuesday of month and give Big Hook time to get new equipment in by Saturday. Motion by Schieldt/Morris to approve the switch. **Motion** carried.

Update on the earlier 6 pm Clements Rd. mtg.: Timm stated most residents at this mtg. were at the 6 pm mtg. Stated went thru cost for front/ back rd. completion.

Preliminary Resolution to levy special assessments for improvements for the Clements Rd. addition. Resolution read by Timm. This is the 1st step in a 4-step process; target to be completed at the June town board mtg. Motion made by Timm/Morris to approve. **Motion** carried. *Next step will be compiling a report with proposed plans & specs., cost of work, cost per property owner, etc. Signed resolution.

Drafting town ordinance for ATV/UTV traffic on town rds. Information given by Schieldt; In March, county board approved 7 routes. ATV Club will provide signage on routes coming into town. Town will help place the signs. Schieldt will like to have town have same ordinance with the county, so sheriffs could handle complaints if needed, only have 3 deputies. County rules/ regulations displayed. Riders will have to take personal responsibility, with help from residents, town, and club for patrolling. Timm would like to see only town rds. with direct access to county rds./trails open at this time. Timm stated club would like to have signs that state "Town of Greenfield is open to ATV/UTV traffic unless otherwise posted on individual rds." Clerk will put map on website showing open town roads. Ken Schlimgen stated he expects more county rds. to open. YY does not connect due to Hwy 33. Timm stated a land owner may open private land rd. to connect to rte. YY on other side of Hwy 33. Board will put in ordinance that they reserve the right to shut down any rd. at any time. Kat Anderson will talk with state over Hwy 33 going thru town (35mph). Idea of opening village to traffic. Will have an ordinance drawn up for May mtg.

Roads: One plow truck broke down during last snow storm.

***Citizen Concerns:** Ken Schlimgen, county supervisor, stated will be 7 new county board members after election, current county chair stepping down, new chair will be elected at next mtg. Encourage town to update maps and make sure to send all maps into the county so they have the same. Stated town maps rule decisions. County wanted to preserve ag land so be sure to have rural residential and ag land noted. Barry Nelson asked for residents to respond to the survey for the comprehensive plan. Has been sent out by email and other media outlets. QR code for survey on the front door. Timeline to do so will be for 30-60 days. Nelson would like more than 10% response from residents. Jack Zabrowski of the MMRPC will be at the next mtg. Timm would like county to come to the planning mtgs. to work on plan together. Clerk announced annual mtg. is next Tuesday.

Motion made by Morris/ Schieldt to adjourn. **Motion** carried. Adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jill Murphy, Town Clerk