

Town Board Meeting; April 14, 2025

*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

Call to Order: Chair Timm called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Notices were posted.

Minutes: Minutes read by Clerk Murphy. Motion by Morris/Schieldt to approve minutes of the March 10 town board mtg. **Motion** carried.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's March financial report was presented by Clerk Murphy. Motion by Morris/Schieldt to approve. **Motion** carried.

Shelby Fire Dept.: Chief Holinka was not present. Schieldt read email statement sent by Holinka. Grass fire last Sunday at Hintgen/County Rd. M that burned approx. 20 acres. This Saturday starting at 8am, there will be fire traffic at W3450 Hwy 33. Will be doing more training at the Servais house and will burn it down around 1 pm. Be careful when driving thru area.

Mark Dieltz; N2051 Bahr Rd, asking for variance on a pool cover vs. fence: Property owner stated that he would like to have an automated safety cover installed(by Hot Springs) for his in-ground pool. Home owner insurance covers this method for safety. Ridgeview Heights sub-division has covenants. Timm read the covenant for pools. Town does not know who is on the 3 person HOA board for the sub-division or if a board even currently exists. Dillon Constant from La Crosse County stated county & town should not be making the decisions on this issue; should have to come from the property owners in the sub-division. Town told Mr. Dieltz that he could either drop a letter with the other homeowners or go on the Ridgeview Height Facebook page and try to contact residents via this way. Dieltz told by Constant that he would also need a zoning occupancy permit from the county for the pool.

Updates from the Comprehensive Plan Public Hearing: Timm stated that a resolution was approved in the mtg. to recommend adopting the Comprehensive Plan Ordinance to the town board. A request to rezone an area on Bendel Rd. was denied. Pointed out area on future land use map.

Adopt Ordinance of the 2024-2044 Comprehensive Plan of the Town of Greenfield, Wisconsin: Ordinance read by Schieldt. Motion made by Morris/Schieldt to adopt. **Motion** carried.

Approve St. Joseph Ridge Lion's Club 2025 Temporary "Class B" Liquor License Application for (3 events): Application read by Timm. Cost is \$30. Motion made by Morris/Schieldt to approve. **Motion** carried.

Adopt Ordinance # 2025-2; to appoint town clerk to the Board of Review: Ordinance read by Morris. Clerk would be an alternative if board member is unable to attend. Motion made by Morris/Schieldt to adopt. **Motion** carried.

Roads & Equipment: Timm stated rd. work overlay on Bendel Rd.(2003) to be done this yr.; Scott Roesler, town worker, described the details. Cost \$59,700. Park & well house access rd. cost will be \$17,000. Lions Club will create parking lot with 26 spaces; not quite handicapped parking but an easier hard surface access for the elderly. Enter off Schams rd., will go parallel to County M. and will exit from the existing well house access rd.; creating a better traffic flow. Cost \$96,000. Town will be billed for all work(get a cheaper rate this way). Town will be reimbursed by the Lions club. Timm stated other rds. to get chipped sealed are Moline(2015), Evans Dwyer(1975) Johnson(2017), Kriebich(1968). Cost \$64,000. Total cost for all rds. will be \$149,000. Rds. are grouped to save on mobilization fees. Mathy will be doing all rd. work and also has committed to patching sink holes on Schams and 3 places on Kloss rd. *Last work done on rd. in (). Bob Kotek asked about adding gravel to entrance to recycle center. Roesler stated has quotes for buying a skid steer in the future. Barry Nelson asked about adding rock to the area inside the recycling center. Roesler will add rock and grate. Roesler stated brush piles at the recycle center have to get burned once a month; ideally start on Tuesday mornings so the burning is complete by 7 pm/end of the open recycle hrs. If the piles get too big, may smolder into the next day where someone may think there is a fire at the center and call the fire dept. Ken Schlimgen, county supervisor informed of upcoming county rd. projects: replacement of county truck hwy. M bridge over Russian Coulee Creek in May; avoid area and use Rd. YY, replacing culverts on M from 33 to 14/61; 1 day projects, shoulder widening from FO from F to AO. Conservation phase two; grants available for farmers to help prevent run off into creeks, YY area would be a good candidate. County passed a resolution to bar grants for non-profits; Lions club received \$37,000 one in the past.

*Citizen Concerns: Dennis Gerke stated one of the parking blocks at the scenic overlook has disappeared leaving an opening for a car to potentially roll down the hill. Roesler stated kids destroyed it. Will get new one when getting blocks for the park. Also stated area is becoming a dumping ground again. Timm gave permission for Gerke to again mow the scenic overlook. Pat Manthy asked about putting entrance and exit signs at the recycle center as trucks are heading in the wrong way. Board will meet with staff and discuss the traffic flow. Nancy Kroner stated there will be a blood drive and lunch on May 5 at the town hall. Please give! Morris stated La Crosse area youth baseball with a team with 10 yr. olds will be using and practicing on the ball field and will have at least one game. Please come out to support the kids!

Motion made by Morris/Schieldt to adjourn. Motion carried. Adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jill Murphy, Town Clerk