MINUTES **Town Board Meeting**

Meeting Date: **Tuesday October 11, 2022**

Time: **6:30 pm**

Meeting Location: Dekorra Town Hall – W8225 County Road JV

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FIXED AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance.
   The October 11, 2022, Dekorra Town Board meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm by Chair Kyle R. Knuteson.
2. Roll Call
   Present: Kyle R. Knuteson, Kim Lindholm, Chris Crawford, Blake Young, Michelle Hartley. Also, present Holly J. Priske, Clerk, and 6 audience members.
   Absent: Peggy Tomlinson
3. Approval of Agenda
   ACTION: Motion (Lindholm/Crawford) to approve the October 11, 2022, Town Board meeting agenda. Motion carried.
4. Approval of previous TB minutes.
   ACTION: Motion (Lindholm/Knuteson) to approve the September 13, 2022, Town Board meeting minutes. Motion carried.
5. Reports of town officers
   a. Clerk's Report
      Clerk Priske reviewed her written report. Full written report is on file in the Clerk's office.
   b. Constable's Report
      Knuteson noted that there was nothing of interest to report.
   c. Treasurer's Report
      Treasurer Peggy Tomlinson was not present due to illness. Clerk Priske gave the bills and reports to the Board members.
6. Payment of bills
   ACTION: Motion (Lindholm/Hartley) to approve the payment of bills. Motion carried.
7. Committee and Commission Reports
   a. Town Roads
      Kim Lindholm reported that a meeting was held on September 27, 2022 and will review discussion later in the agenda. Culvert on Keebaugh had a buried concrete bridge that was under there and the work ended up being more extensive than anticipated. No reply from the County regarding Durapatching. A stop sign has been stolen twice at the corner of Bilkie and McMillan. Working on a list of signs that need replacement and no response on the Thompson Road guardrail.
   b. Town Hall Design Committee – **No meeting was held.**
   c. Safety Committee -**No meeting was held and probably won't meet until January.**
   d. Parks Commission – **The next Parks meeting will be held on October 19, 2022. There is also a planned gathering at the Dekorra School on Saturday, October 15th to tour it and get elector input regarding the future of the building.**
   e. Plan Commission – **Knuteson reported that there was a meeting held on September 22, 2022, and there was a variance and items on this agenda.**
   f. Ad hoc Pier Committee – **No meeting was held.**
   g. Fire Commission – **Knuteson reported that the Commission met to discuss a grant application for equipment replacement.**
8. Open Public Comments
   Chris Crawford asked what was going on with the audit. Will go on the next agenda.

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BUSINESS:

1. Chalgren, Ian and Colleen; Stevenson, James, Jane, and Suzanne – Parcel 11010-407, County Highway CS and Q on edge of Village of Poynette, in Town of Dekorra, Columbia County, WI. Rezoning of 13.42 acres from AO-1 Agriculture and Open Space to R-1 Single-Family Residence and CSM dividing land into two residential lots.

   Crawford is concerned that this is breaking the Town's rules. Discussion that if the Town doesn't approve the rezone Chalgren can go to the Village and request annexation. Young noted that it was his understanding that if it had not been next to the Village the Plan Commission would have recommended denial of the request. Lindholm noted that he didn't necessarily have an issue with the proposal and feels that our Comprehensive plan needs to be reviewed soon.
   Young proposed putting a restriction on development of lot-one. Knuteson noted that the lot is restrictive as to where the lot is buildable.
   Chalgren noted that there is already a written draft deed restriction to for development of lot-one. Discussion of conditions.
   ACTION: Motion (Lindholm/Knuteson) to approve the rezoning 13.42-acres of parcel 11010-407 from AO-1 to R-1 and a CSM dividing said parcel (Knuteson File No. 620-2988), subject to conditions recommended by the Dekorra Plan Commission on September 22, 2022 and condition 5 provide a deed restriction restricting lot-one from further development. Motion carried 4-1 (Crawford-No).

2. Betsy Preuss LLC, c/o Richard and Betsy Preuss; Town of Dekorra – Parcels 54, 54.01, 54.05, and 54.06, N5003 Highway 51 and W8225 County Highway J-V, Town of Dekorra, Columbia County, WI. Rezoning of 32.02 acres to various districts and CSM to allow land transfer between owners and facilitate the continued residential use on 3.04 acres.
   Scott Hewitt, Grothman and Associates reviewed the proposed application and CSM, pointing out A-4 Overlay areas.
   ACTION: Motion (Knuteson/Lindholm) to approve the proposed CSM (G&A File No. 422-169) and the rezoning of CSM Lot 1 to C-1 Light Commercial, CSM Lot 2 to RR-1 Rural Residence, and all CSM Lot 3 to A-1 with A-4 overlay, subject to conditions recommended by the Dekorra Plan Commission on September 22, 2022. Motion carried.
3. Prairie Drifters – Scott Scherer – approval of snowmobile trails along Town Roads – No changes from previous.
   ACTION: Motion (Crawford/Young) to approve the snowmobile trails along Town Roads for 2022-2023. Motion carried.
4. Roads
   Lindholm noted that the focus for the upcoming year is on Thompson Road, which is potential LRIP fund; potentially Oshaukuta Road for next year, and finish section on Tipperary and check to see if sealcoating would extend. Ditch work near Hooker's and on McMillan. Discussion of cost of repair for Morse Road. Roger Palmer noted that there are about 5 small projects that are on the radar. Durapatch on Phillips has been completed.
5. Riprap – Dekorra Park
   Discussion of the Parks Commission proposal, that the ARPA funds are necessary for the treatment plant.
   ACTION: Motion (Knuteson/Lindholm) to table the riprap. Motion carried.
6. Plan Commission alternates
   ACTION: Motion (Knuteson/Lindholm) to appoint Bill Priske as a Plan Commission alternate. Motion carried.

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7. Set date and time for public hearing for 2023 budget.
ACTION: Motion (Hartley/Knuteson) to set a public hearing for the 2023 budget for 6:15 pm on November 14, 2022. Motion carried.

8. Call special Town Meeting for approval of the 2022 tax levy.
ACTION: Motion (Hartley/Lindholm) to call a Town Meeting for November 14, 2022, at 6:25 pm or immediately following the budget public hearing. Motion carried.

9. Set next Regular Town Board Meeting date/agenda item.
Next Town Board meeting will be October 13, 2022, at 6:30 pm to review the budget. November 8th is election day, recommend holding Town Board meeting on November 14, 2022.

10. Adjourn
ACTION: Motion (Lindholm/Crawford) to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Holly J. Priske, Clerk-Town of Dekorra.
Approved: 11.14.22