

Town of Liberty Grove
Minutes of the Town Board meeting on August 17, 2022
(this meeting was correctly posted)

Agenda:

1. Call to order
2. Declaration of a quorum followed by pledge of allegiance
3. Approve Agenda
4. Approve Minutes: Sp. Board 7/27/22, 8/3/2022
5. Payment of Bills
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Committee Reports: Economic Development, Fire Board, Parks and Property
8. Public Input
9. Modifications to Heartland-10 (HL10) District Zoning Amendment
10. Recommendation from Parks & Property Committee: 11976 Highway 42 Property
11. Recommendation from Technology Committee: Phone System
12. Short-Term Rental License(s)
13. Correspondence
14. Future meetings
15. Adjourn

Chairman John Lowry called the meeting to order at 7:02pm. Supervisors Cathy Ward, Janet Johnson, and Dan Watts were present along with Administrator Walter Kalms, Clerk/Treasurer Anastasia Bell, and 2 members of the public.

Ward moved, Lowry second to approve the agenda as posted. Carried 4-0.

Johnson moved, Ward second to approve the minutes from the 7/27/22 Special Board meeting as presented. Carried 4-0.

Ward moved, Lowry second to approve the minutes from the 8/3/22 Town Board meeting as presented. Carried 4-0.

Ward moved, Lowry second to pay the bills as presented totaling \$27,645.81. Carried 4-0.

Treasurer's report – Bell reported the following Town account balances as of July 29, 2022:

Municipal Checking	1,562,272.04
Money market acct.	1,355,583.18
Checking	282,630.27
Utility Dist.	611,177.62

As of July 29, 2022, total in all Town accounts: \$3,811,663.11. **Johnson moved, Ward second** to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Carried 4-0

Public Input – Ward asked if lines will be painted on Mink River Road; Kalms replied this is currently planned. Bell reported DOR has preliminarily approved the tax chargebacks filed by the Assessor, and all personal property taxes have been paid.

Committee Reports – John Lowry, Economic Development continues to discuss attainable housing. DCEDC is researching information for the next meeting, and prices may be available. Janet Johnson, Fire Board has recommended a 2023 budget draft to both municipalities and discussed a per call incentive versus an hourly wage increase. Cathy Ward, Parks and Property has ordered the Mariner Park sign and is waiting for a response from the Disc Golf Club.

HL10 Zoning Amendment – None.

11976 Highway 42 – Ward the recommendation is to sell the property. Kalms noted \$152,000 is invested, the septic may need replacing, the well is capped, and an appraisal would be necessary. Johnson noted commercial activity would be preferred, and the following were noted as options: food trucks,

laundromat, internet café, clinic, or a veterinarian. **Ward moved, Watts second** to pursue the process of evaluating the property with the intent to sell. Ward noted the proceeds could be used for housing. Kalms stated an Old Stage parcel was sold and the proceeds went towards Door Bluff Park. Ayres may have a suggestion after their facility tour. Watts pulled his second. The motion died for lack of a second. Mickie Rasch, Door County North, requested a specification sheet be created so the public can be made aware that the property is available.

Phone System – Kalms reported the Technology Committee recommended a new analog system and VOIP is not viable due to the current internet. The system in the Quantum proposal can be switched to VOIP when the internet access improves. **Watts moved, Lowry second** to accept the \$3,899.80 quote from Quantum for a new phone system. Kalms noted funds are available from the office, hall, and possibly Administrator 2022 budgets. Johnson requested the IT budget be considered. Carried 4-0.

Short-Term Rental License(s) – **Ward moved, Johnson second** to approve license for 11060 Beach Road. Carried 4-0.

Correspondence – Kalms reported a CUP hearing in Ephraim, WTA unit meeting will be at 12:00pm on 8/27/2022 at Washington Island, a motor home violation will be referred to the County and they have not taken action on the reported zoning violation on The Beach Road.

The next Town Board meeting will be Wednesday, September 7, 2022 at 7:00pm.

Lowry moved, Watts second to adjourn at 8:19:30pm. Carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Anastasia Bell, Clerk/Treasurer

Approved at the 9/7/2022 Town Board meeting.