

Town of Christiana

Regular Town Board Meeting Minutes January 9, 2023 6:30p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. and led in the pledge of allegiance. In attendance were Chair Mark Cook, Supervisors Jim Lowrey and Jeff Notstad, Clerk-Treasurer Carissa Lyle, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Linda Dieckhoff, and various members of the community.

PROCEDURAL

The meeting was properly noticed and posted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Stanley Lein gave comment on the Pizza Pit property located in Cambridge, WI. He spoke on his role in purchasing the property, and his belief that it was the correct decision to be made at the time the decision was made. The purchase was initially for the necessity of the community, and the health and safety of the community. He recommends the Board gets rid of the property. It is a black hole. Thought it would be used to facilitate the Emergency Services and may as well get rid of it as there is no income and just a liability. Mr. Cook told Mr. Lein that this was on the agenda so it would be discussed by the board at that time.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discussion/possible action regarding the sale of the 275 W. Main Street property to the Cambridge Fire/EMS Commission.

The Commission was offered to buy it on land contract, but the Fire Commission did not want to take it on.

Jim Lowrey did some work finding out numbers on the property. The tenant allowed him to walk through the home. The home is about 1300 sq feet. The two-car garage is in ok condition. The home needs a lot of work. Mostly cosmetic, believes some issues need to be taken care of now. The patio door off the living room is rotted. While outside measuring, Jim could move the door just by touching it. That area of the house is used as a bedroom. The sinks are leaking and have buckets underneath them; this is another area that needs to be addressed immediately. Tenant thought she was current on rent. Says she has the check stubs. The home does not have a basement, the water heater and furnace are old. No filter on the furnace. Tenant has used spray foam to try and fill gaps to keep cold air and mice out. We currently do not get much rent from the property, but probably shouldn't with the shape the property is in.

Jim- tenant has been looking around for something that she can afford. Tenant would like to stay in the Cambridge School District for her disabled son

Mark asked Jim's recommendation on the house. Jim wants to fix the door and the plumbing.

Jeff brought up liability possibilities. Some of these issues need to be addressed as soon as possible.

Jim Lowrey moved to get bids to fix the door and plumbing issues, not to exceed \$5,000.00. Jeff Notstad seconds the motion.

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The pizza pit building itself needs some work as well. Overall, not in the worst shape, could be used as something. The parking lot blacktop is shot. The lot itself does have value. The small pie piece of land in the front of it, will probably be needed by Fire Station to expand driveway. All Board members agreed they would like to sell the entire property. They decided to wait and gather more information on the property and meet with the fire department.

NO ACTION TAKEN

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion/possible action regarding the appointment of Town of Christian Election Officials.

Jeff Notstad moves to approve the Town of Christiana Election Officials as presented. Jim seconded the motion.

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CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed under the Consent Agenda will be approved by one motion unless a Board member requests that item be removed for individual discussion and action. Any item(s) removed for individual consideration shall be considered/approved individually.

- (1) Motion to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2022 Regular Town Board Meeting.
- (2) Motion to approve Vouchers.
- (3) Motion to approve Financial Summaries.
- (4) Motion to approve the Bank Reconciliation.

Jim Lowrey moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Jeff Notstad seconded the motion.

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CLERK COMMUNICATIONS

January Clerk Report

ANNOUNCEMENT

- a. Next Town Board Meeting February 13, 2023.
- b. Spring Primary Election February 21st 7:00 am-8:00 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Jim Lowrey moved to adjourn at 7:07 pm. Jeff Notstad seconded the motion.

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*Respectfully submitted,
Carissa Lyle, Clerk-Treasurer*