

# TOWN OF DOVER

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## DOVER TOWN BOARD PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.

4110 SOUTH BEAUMONT AVENUE (DOVER TOWN HALL) KANSASVILLE, WI 53139

- 1. Call to Order:** Chairman Sam Stratton called the Town Board Meeting to order at 7:00pm.
- 2. Pledge:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 3. Roll Call:** Chairman Sam Stratton, 1st Supervisor Mike Shenkenberg, Kansasville Fire Department Chief Ron Molnar, DHD Zack Hegemann, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Kim Springer, and Clerk/Treasurer Camille Gerou. Absent with notice: 2nd Supervisor Jared Guillien
- 4. Review of Previous Town Board Meeting Minutes January 9, 2023:** Mike Shenkenberg made the motion to accept the January 9, 2023 minutes as presented, seconded by Sam Stratton. VOTE: 2/0 Motion carried.
- 5. ELSUD Payables for February 2023:** Mike Shenkenberg made the motion to approve ELSUD pay their expenses of \$41,700.12, seconded by Sam Stratton. Vote: 2/0 Motion carried.
- 6. Town of Dover's Payables for February 2023:** After review of payables, Mike Shenkenberg made the motion to approve paying the Town's expenses of \$111,795.29, seconded by Sam Stratton. Vote: 2/0 Motion carried.
- 7. Public Comments:** Mike Shenkenberg discussed recent phone scammer claiming a warrant for arrest, requesting funds. Please be careful.
- 8. Application for a Kennel License for Renee Gussman 2222 Sunnyside Drive (25 dogs), James Rieser 22866 Casandra Court (6 dogs), George & Linda Ferguson 26432 Durand Avenue (7 dogs):** After verification of no complaints against the kennels, Mike Shenkenberg made the motion to approve the licenses, seconded by Sam Stratton. VOTE: 2/0 Motion Carried. (Mike yes, Sam yes)
- 9. Refund of Road Bond for Demlang Builders Inc. 2128 Mealy Road:** After verification that the road was not damaged, Mike Shenkenberg made the motion to approve the refund, seconded by Sam Stratton. VOTE: 2/0 Motion Carried. (Mike yes, Sam yes)
- 10. Application for Business License from Hickory Haven Mobile Home Park 4915 /4823 Schoen Road:** Mike Shenkenberg made the motion to approve this annual license, seconded by Sam Stratton. VOTE: 2/0 Motion Carried. (Mike yes, Sam yes)
- 11. ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) Funding Transfer From ELSUD (Eagle Lake Sewer) Update:** Per Chairman Stratton table for further research.
- 12. Addition of Budget Line Item/Income for Fire/Rescue, Discussion Requested by Chairman Stratton:** Chairman Stratton discussed the budget concerns and trying to find a way to afford the full-time EMS (Emergency Medical Services). Currently Chairman Stratton has researched two ways; one being a referendum to raise the taxes, the second would be to add an income line to our budget. Most people do not understand mill rates and where their tax monies actually go. It is believed most residents will not be in favor of a referendum to raise taxes. Adding a line item to our budget would be similar to what the Drainage District does but would be for Fire/Rescue. Meaning for each Dover property with an improvement (structure/house), \$250 to \$300 would be charged automatically to the owners' taxes. Currently this option is in the research stage. Obviously, notification and mill rate education would need to take place before this would go into effect on next year's taxes. Impact fees for commercial properties would need further investigation. The budget is so poor that until further notice, no roads will be repaired due to budget shortfalls.
- 13. Review of Reports from: DHD Roads, Fire, and Sheriff's Department:** Zack from DHD Roads discussed his month end report stating he serviced the equipment and cleared drifts on roadways. Ron Molnar, Chief of Kansasville Fire and Rescue reported back to the board on whether the previously ordered fire truck could be cancelled, stating that there would be a \$20,000 penalty. Additional discussion took place, that on a future reorder the price will have

increased approximately \$200,000 as vehicle prices are continuing to rise. Discussion took place on forming a joint Western Racine Fire District in the future to share staffing and equipment. Chairman Stratton has requested statistics from Chief Molnar so an overall assessment can be completed. Dover would not be forced to join this Fire District. Discussion took place that a Fire District can level taxes as needed. Dover would no longer have control over that portion, nor any control on response times. Discussion took place regarding a controlled burn being planned by Gateway for March 18<sup>th</sup> on Highway J. Noted was that the Sheriff's monthly handout was on the table if anyone was interested.

- 14. Closed Session under Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(1) (c) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility and under Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(1) (e) deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session and Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(1) (g) concerning legal advice related to litigation. Estimated time of closed session will be approximately ½ hour.:** Mike Shenkenberg made the motion to go into closed session at 7:40pm, seconded by Sam Stratton.
- 15. Motion to Enter into Open Session:** Mike Shenkenberg made the motion to go into open session at 7:52pm, seconded by Sam Stratton.
- 16. All Business of Closed Session:** Chairman Stratton stated that a previous discussion was held regarding hiring an administrative assistant for the Fire Department's paperwork. Michele Murphy will take the twenty hour per week position. During those hours she will schedule someone else for her normal EMS hours. No overtime will be offered, and she shall maintain her current rate of pay.
- 17. Adjournment:** Mike Shenkenberg made the motion to adjourn at 7:53pm., seconded by Sam Stratton. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted the 27<sup>th</sup> day of February 2023- Camille Gerou Clerk/Treasurer