

A meeting of the Seymour Town Board was held Monday, September 9, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. Notice was posted at the Seymour Town Hall, Township Fire Dept. Station 1- and at www.townofseymour.org under “Agendas”.

Board members present were Chair Jessica Janssen, Supervisor Ken Schick and Supervisor Kerry Parker. Also present were Building Inspector Fred Hankel, Clerk/Treasurer Jean Eisold, Deputy Clerk Sarah Smith, and 14 Town residents.

Chair Jessica Janssen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVAL:

Motion from Chair Janssen to approve the 08/12/2024 meeting minutes. Seconded by Supervisor Schick. Motion carried.

GENERAL COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

FINANCIAL REPORT: See attached Income Statement and Balance sheet; transferred engineering fees to 140th Street project, received Bloomer Broad payment from EC County, J. Eisold will follow up with City of Eau Claire regarding unreceived landfill payments.

ROADS & BUILDINGS SUPERVISOR REPORT: See attached report provided by John Oxley.

BUILDING INSPECTOR REPORT: Currently there are a few New Home permits pending. Would like to have the Towns Building Permit fees reviewed with possible increases made. F. Hankel will provide recommended fee increases at next month’s meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A) WIND & SOLAR ENERGY: See attached. Chair Janssen made a motion to approve Farmland Preservation Plan, seconded by Supervisor Schick. Board voted unanimously in favor of signing the Farmland Preservation Plan
- B) 140TH AVENUE BRIDGE: Board members received an email letting them know appraisals will be complete by mid-October. Once appraisal is submitted, they will have 60 days to approve. Then letters will be sent to homeowners on January 3rd, 2025. Board members discussed concerns of project budget and would like to see project letting by December 2024.
- C) FIRE STATION GENERATOR: Received generator. Currently have two quotes for adaptor end at fire station. Wait on this for now.
- D) PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN/BIKE TRAIL ALONG MCKINLEY ROAD UPDATE: No current updates.
- E) FENCE LINE – INDIAN HILLS DRIVE: Confirmed fence will be removed by the end of the month.
- F) SEYMOUR PLANNING COMMISSION: The Committee is planning to meet every two months. Committee wants to review/be involved with new developments. Nick Schmuck voted as Chair.
- G) ATV CLUB UPDATE: Jerry Christenson provided an update on behalf of the ATV club. The club has 78 members and meets at The Brown Hut the third Monday of each month. Trail maps of Seymour and area towns are available at The Brown Hut for \$2. Eau Claire County recently approved more roads open to riders and will be sending out updated ATV ordinance shortly. No negative comments have been received regarding ATV/UTV use on Town roads.
- H) OFFICE COMPUTERS- Reviewed quotes and additional information on our current set up, provided by Computer Wizards. Board approved that new equipment and/or updates can be purchased.
- I) OPEN BOOK / BOARD OF REVIEW MEETINGS: Open Book will be held September 20th from

9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Board of Review will be on September 27th at 2:00 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

- A) **HUNTING PERMITS:** Had five renewals for hunting permits (Running, Wold, Zwiefelhofer, Fitzmaurice, and Hanson)- Chair Janssen motion to approve all five permits, motion seconded by Supervisor Schick, motion carried. Had one new application (Schmit)- Chair Janssen motion to approve permit, motion seconded by Supervisor Parker, motion carried.
- B) **HUNTING/FIREARM ORDINANCE:** Reviewed ordinance and applications updates/changes provided by C. Nunke of firearms committee. Need to add Town Hall property to restricted area. Will need to have current map updated to correspond with changes. Chair Janssen motion to approve updates/changes to ordinance and applications, motion seconded by Supervisor Parker. Vote: Aye – 2, Opposed – 1. Motion carried.
- C) **“HERITAGE ESTATES” WETLAND SETBACK RULE:** Have 50-foot setback from wetlands. Changing from 15 to 14 lots. Less road with same access point. Most changes to lots 5, 6 & 7.
 - I) Chair Janssen made motion of no issue with wetland setbacks presented as residential development with condition of cul-de-sac be made specific to Town specifications. Supervisor Schick seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - II) Re-evaluated rezoning request for lot 4. Chair Janssen made a motion to amend previous recommendations to not in favor of rezone of lot 4 to Cottage Industry. Supervisor Schick seconded the motion. Motion carried: Aye 3, zero opposed.
- D) **PLAT 8 APPROVAL:** Need to finalize cost and send invoices to residents.
- E) **PLAT 9-** No residents disagreed with Plat. Create resolution and notify Jeremy of RLS to take new Plat to register of deeds. Chair Janssen motion to approve, motion seconded by Supervisor Schick, motion carried.
- F) **DOG LICENSE FEE INCREASE:** Received notice from Eau Claire County that dog license fee will increase beginning of new year. Reviewed current fee rates and proposed increase. Chair Janssen motion to approve 2025 proposed fee increase, motion seconded by Supervisor Parker, motion carried.
- G) **POLL WORKERS FOR 2024 – 2025:** Motion made by Chair Janssen to approve eight residents as additional poll workers, motion seconded by Supervisor Schick, motion carried. Will need to set date for election training.

BOARD MEMBERS COMMUNICATIONS / NEXT MONTH’S AGENDA ITEMS:

- A. The next Board Meeting will be October 14, 2024
- B. Plat 8
- C. Plat 9
- D. 140th Bridge
- E. Backup Generator for Fire Station
- F. Hall Bathroom
- G. Playground Equipment Update
- H. Building Permit Fees review

SIGN CHECKS AND FORMS: A/P checks were signed. Board approved cash disbursements and payroll for August 12, 2024, through September 9, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Chair Janssen to adjourn meeting. Motion seconded by Supervisor Parker. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Jean Eisold, Clerk/Treasurer