

**TOWN OF STAR PRAIRIE
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.
STAR PRAIRIE TOWN HALL
2118 COOK DRIVE, SOMERSET, WISCONSIN**

The Annual Meeting of the Town of Star Prairie was called to order by Tom Heintz at 7:02 p.m. in the Star Prairie Town Hall: 2118 Cook Drive, Somerset, Wis. Members of the board who were present were Tom Heintz, Michele Hermansen, Darryl Wendt and Bob Crotty and Andrea Neumann, Clerk/Treasurer. Brian Duggan was absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Review and Approval of Minutes from April 18, 2023 Annual Meeting: Motion M/S by Jim Klemesrud/Jim Hermansen to approve the 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes. In a show of hands, 17 voted yes and none were opposed. Motion carried.

Review and Approval of the 2023 Financial Report: Janet D'Ambrosio inquired about the fund balance deficit indicated on the financial report. Motion M/S by Jim Hermansen/David Karastes to approve the 2023 Financial Report. In a show of hands, 16 voted yes and none were opposed. Motion carried.

Review and Approval of Building Inspector's 2023 Annual Report: Motion M/S by David Karastes/Annette Noak to approve the 2023 Building Inspector's Report. In a show of hands, 16 voted yes and none were opposed. Motion carried.

Authorization to Borrow Funds: Motion M/S by Jim Klemesrud/June Wendt to authorize the Town to borrow up to \$50,000 in the event of an emergency. In a show of hands, 16 voted yes and none were opposed. Motion carried.

Authorization to Hire Elected Officials: Motion M/S by Joyce Klemesrud/Annette Noak to maintain the hourly rate of pay of \$25 per hour for elected officials or residents hired as part-time employees. In a show of hands, 16 voted yes and none were opposed. Motion carried.

Annual Meeting for next year is Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Any Other Business

Town Supervisor Pay: Motion M/S David Karastes/Mark Prohaska to increase the Town Supervisor pay by \$200 per month. In a show of hands, 13 voted yes and three abstained. Motion carried.

ATV/UTV Routes: Annette Noak asked whether more roadways would be opened to ATV traffic.

Road Sign Visibility: Annette Noak asked whether there was additional discussion regarding the replacement/update of road signs. Some are very difficult to read.

Road/Town Maintenance: Tom Heintz addressed the group regarding ongoing road maintenance and tentative plans to reconstruct portions of 192nd Avenue and 90th Street. The Town is purchasing a newer used tractor to replace one of the existing mowing units and will sell the older unit to offset the cost. The Town is moving forward with the Town

Park plan, with the intention of constructing a storage building to house the tractors along with additional enhancements.

Spring Clean-Up Event: Scheduled for Saturday, May 4 from 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Postcards will be mailed and serve as residents' "ticket"--please bring it with you.

Adjourn: Motion M/S by David Karastes/Jim Hermansen to adjourn. In a show of hands, 16 voted yes and none were opposed. Motion carried at 7:29 p.m.