

TOWN OF STAR PRAIRIE, WIS.
TOWN BOARD MEETING - MINUTES
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.
STAR PRAIRIE TOWN HALL
2118 COOK DRIVE, SOMERSET, WISCONSIN

The Town Board Meeting was called to order by Tom Heintz at 6:02 p.m. in the Star Prairie Town Hall: 2118 Cook Drive, Somerset, WI 54025. Present were Tom Heintz, Michele Hermansen, Darryl Wendt, Brian Duggan, Bob Crotty and Andrea Neumann, Clerk/Treasurer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Agenda: Motion M/S by Michele Hermansen/Darryl Wendt to approve the agenda, as submitted. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion M/S by Michele Hermansen/Bob Crotty to approve minutes from the Town Board Meeting September 10, Work Session September 25 and the Special Joint Meeting September 25, as submitted. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Reviewed. No action taken.

Building Permits: The September 2024 building permits were read, as submitted, by the Building Inspector. Motion M/S by Darryl Wendt/Brian Duggan to accept the report, as submitted. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

Terry Moore addressed the Board regarding speed on 90th Street. He requested that the speed limit on all Town roads be dropped and posted to 45 miles per hour. He commended the mowing of the Town roads. Identified a pothole on 192nd and 100th.

Phil Bedell addressed the Board regarding the rezoning application.

Dan Myckleby addressed the Board regarding the rezoning application.

Cassandra Bedell addressed the Board regarding the Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use rezoning policy, which states "When considering rezoning requests, recommend rezoning only when there will be an immediate change in land use and only that portion of the parcel needed for development." on page 229.

St. Croix County Community Development - Land Use Permit: Board reviewed land use permit extension for David & Melinda Marson at 2229 95th Street in Somerset, Wis. No action taken.

Operator's License Application: Cedar Creek Inn, Inc. submitted an application for an operator's license on behalf of Rebecca Larson. Motion M/S by Darryl Wendt/Brian Duggan to approve the operator's license application. Motion carried.

Plan Commission Recommendations: Rezoning application for Kurt & Elizabeth Christensen and Capital Enterprise LLC was considered by the Plan Commission at its September meeting, where it was recommended for approval. Board discussed the application and expressed desire to have an average lot size larger than 1.5 acres, ideally closer to four acres. Board expressed preference to have a concept plan to ensure proposed use aligns with Comprehensive Plan future land use.

Motion M/S by Michele Hermansen/Darryl Wendt to recommend not approving the rezoning application for Kurt & Elizabeth Christensen and Capital Enterprise LLC. In a roll call vote, Brian Duggan voted yes, Michele Hermansen voted yes, Darryl Wendt voted yes, Bob Crotty voted yes and Tom Heintz voted yes. Motion carried.

Comprehensive Plan Update: The focus group is scheduled for November 20. County will publish a survey to collect public input. Clerk to print and mail postcards to residents.

Town Maintenance Building: The Request for Bids is actively posted. A Special Meeting of the Electors is scheduled for Monday, October 14 at 5:00 p.m. at the Town Hall to authorize the development of public land in the form of public structure(s) or building(s). The bids will be reviewed in a Special Meeting immediately following the Special Meeting of the Electors.

CivicPlus Municode Update: The Town has a few ordinances that need updating. Clerk and Darryl Wendt had a conference call with the vendor, who reviewed the process and confirmed next steps to submit updates to Municode.

Schedule Monthly Work Session: Scheduled for Monday, October 14 at 3:30 p.m.

Town Road Maintenance - Road Patching, Repairs, Mowing and Other Issues:

Road Concerns: SCC is getting back to road patching and will be addressing issues as time allows. There are large tree chunks in the ditch on 205th. Tom will ask TK to prioritize that cleanup.

Street Signs: Per County Highway, ordering signs will take approximately three weeks and updating signage will take approximately two weeks. County Highway will proceed with updating signage and replacing posts, as needed.

Tractor Mowing Attachments: Not discussed.

Approve Payment of Town Bills and Adjourn: Motion M/S by Darryl Wendt/Brian Duggan to approve town bills and adjourn. Motion carried at 7:02 p.m.

Andrea Neumann, Clerk/Treasurer
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