

TITLE: Town of Berry Board Meeting Minutes
DATE: March 15, 2021
TIME: 7:00 – 8:45 p.m.
PLACE: Town Hall, 9046 State Road 19, Mazomanie, WI 53560
POSTINGS: Town Hall and Town of Berry website

I. CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present: Anthony Varda, David Evert, Christine Molling, Michael Statz and Duane Haag. Also present Clerk, Brenda Kahl.

II. APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 15, 2021

Motion Haag/Statz to approve the minutes of February 15, 2021. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS: You may address the Board on any item not on the agenda. A discussion item may be placed on a future agenda. Public comment may be heard on any agenda item either now, or at the time the agenda item is to be discussed, or at the discretion of the Town Chair at any other time the agenda item is discussed.

IV. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: 2020 AUDIT

Motion Haag/Varda to set the audit report over until the April meeting. Motion carried Vote 5-0

V. PATROLMAN REPORT, IF NECESSARY

No comments.

VI. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE:

A. (R-2021-2) Indian Trail Farms, 8055 Indian Trail, zoning change of 45.91 acres from A-1(Ex) to AG, to create 2 lots

Motion Molling/Statz to approve Indian Trail Farms' zoning change of 45.91 acres from A-1Ex to AG to create two lots. Motion carried. 4-1. In favor: Statz, Varda, Molling and Evert.

Opposed: Haag

B. (C-2021-1) Sam Acker, Blackberry Road, conditional use permit for plumbing fixtures in an accessory building

Motion Varda/Haag to approve Sam Acker's conditional use permit for plumbing fixtures in an accessory building. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

C. (D-2021-1) Samuel Acker, Blackberry Road, driveway permit application

Motion Haag/Statz to approve Sam Acker's driveway permit application. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

D. (D-2021-2) David Ohnstad, 9425 Blackberry Road, driveway permit application

Motion Haag/Varda to approve David Ohnstad's driveway permit application. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

E. (D-2021-3) Joseph Virnig, County Road KP, driveway permit application

Motion Varda/Haag to approve Joseph Virnig's driveway permit application. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

VII. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: APPROVAL OF FINAL CERTIFIED SURVEY MAP FOR INDIAN TRAIL FARMS, SECTION 12

Motion Varda/Statz to approve the final certified survey map for Indian Trail Farms. Motion carried. Vote 4-0. Haag abstained.

VIII. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: AGREEMENT FOR JURISDICTIONAL TRANSFER OF A PORTION OF NORTH HILL POINT ROAD AND A PORTION OF BREWERY ROAD FROM THE TOWN OF BERRY TO THE VILLAGE OF CROSS PLAINS

Motion Varda/Haag to separate the two jurisdictional transfers and take them up as two different issues. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

Motion Varda/Haag to approve the Jurisdictional Transfer of a portion of North Hill Point Road from the Town of Berry to the Village of Cross Plains. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

Motion Haag/Statz to decline the Jurisdictional Transfer of a portion of Brewery Road from the Town of Berry to the Village of Cross Plains. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

IX. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: REVIEW AND CONSIDER INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY THE ATV CLUB

Discussion only. Recommended the ATV club talk to a Senator to add a trailer bill to the current state budget to remove the strict conformity clause in the ATV statute.

X. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE SERVICE OF DANE COUNTY SHERIFF DAVID MAHONEY

Motion Varda/Statz to adopt the resolution commending the service of Dane County Sheriff David Mahoney. Motion carried. Vote 4-0. Haag abstained.

XI. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: PROPOSED CUL-DE-SAC ON WHIPPOORWILL ROAD

Discussion only. The town will not use condemnation to acquire land. Any cul-de-sac will have to be on right-of-way or donated property and if the land is donated in the town then the board will consider contributing our proportional share.

XII. DISCUSSION/REVIEW/ACTION RE: TOWN ENGINEER

Motion Varda/Evert to allow the Highway Commissioner/Town Chair the option of using either MSA Professional Services or Jewell Associates Engineers on future projects. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

XIII. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: PLAN 2021 ROAD PROJECTS

Motion Haag/Evert to set over planning the 2021 Road Projects until the April meeting. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

XIV. BUDGETARY MATTERS

A. Discussion/action re: Payment of bills

Motion Haag/Evert to approve the payment of bills. Motion carried. Vote 5-0 Check numbers 17849-17889

XV. COMMITTEE REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS

*Black Earth Fire District: Seeing if the new stimulus program will offer any funds for fire programs; discussion of creating a levy restricted fund for new vehicles; discussion of not retiring vehicles but instead refurbishing vehicles

*Cross Plains Fire District: Next meeting is in May; In 2022 the squad will need to be replaced and discussing purchasing a rapid response vehicle

*Cross Plains EMS District: Ahead on ambulance fees because it has been over a year since missed a call due to low staff; Middleton EMS approached about the possibility of consolidating costs

XVI. DISCUSSION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

XVII. ADJOURN

Motion Statz/Varda to adjourn until the next regular meeting or the call of the chair. Motion carried. Vote 5-0.

Brenda Kahl, Clerk/Treasurer

Anthony Varda, Chair