

TITLE: Town of Berry Board Meeting Minutes
DATE: April 19, 2021
TIME: 7:00 – 8:10 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 MARCH 15, 2021

Motion Haag/Evert to approve the minutes of March 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.

*Duane Haag commented that Sauk County and Iowa County may have all town roads posted at 45 mph, hence can run a 35 mph speed limit for ATV/UTV's.

IV. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: 2020 AUDIT

Motion Varda/Molling to accept the 2020 audit report. Motion carried Vote 5-0

V. PATROLMAN REPORT, IF NECESSARY

Received responses from property owners who were mailed letters about plowing snow onto and across town roads.

VI. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE:

A. (D-2017-3) Paul Ripp, 9466 State Road 19, final driveway approval

Motion Haag/Evert to set over until Plan Commission reviews it for conformity to driveway ordinance.

Motion Varda/Statz to amend the motion to set over the final driveway approval to the May board meeting for a report and digital photos to confirm that the turnaround area was installed as shown in the driveway ordinance. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

VII. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: UPDATE ON PROPERTY AT 8785 STATE ROAD 19

Motion Varda/Haag to authorize GEC to request a site inspection and alternatively get an administrative search warrant to inspect the property for a specific recommendation as to disposition of the property. Motion carried. Vote 4-0. Evert abstained.

VIII. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: REVISING ORDINANCE 103.1, APPOINTING ALTERNATE MEMBERS FOR BOARD OF REVIEW

Motion Varda/Haag to approve revising Ordinance 103.1, Appointing Alternate Members for Board of Review. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

IX. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: AWARDING PROPOSAL FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE HALL/GARAGE GROUNDS AND SUNNING HILL CEMETERY

Motion Haag/Evert to approve Jeff Dresen's bid for maintenance of the hall/garage grounds and Sunning Hill Cemetery. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

X. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: TOWN COMMITTEES AND APPOINTMENTS

Motion Varda/Molling to approve the 2021 Committee list and appointments with the removal of Kendall Kahl from the Parks Committee and add Florine Bayer and David Lucey to the Parks Committee.

Motion Evert/Varda to amend the motion to add David Evert as the Sauk Prairie School District liaison. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

Motion to approve the 2021 Committee list and appointments with the removal of Kendall Kahl from the Parks Committee and add Florine Bayer and David Lucey to the Parks Committee and add David Evert as the Sauk Prairie School District liaison. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

XI. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: CYCLE ROAD EVENT PERMIT FOR FRIENDS OF BLUE MOUND STATE PARK FOR AUGUST 28, 2021

Motion Molling/Evert to approve the Cycle Road Event Permit for Friends of Blue Mound State Park. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

XII. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS TRANSFER FROM COUNTY LAND PURCHASE

Motion Varda/Evert that the Town exercise its authority and abide under Ordinance 500.6 to declare the eight development rights to be permanently extinguished and thereby create eight development rights in the town for sale when no other development rights are on offer.

Motion Molling/ to amend the motion that before those development rights are put up for sale by the town that the county is notified with an official registered letter that the transfer will take place unless the county specifically says they plan on selling them with a deadline of one month. Motion failed for lack of a second.

Motion that the Town exercise its authority and abide under Ordinance 500.6 to declare the eight development rights to be permanently extinguished and thereby create eight development rights in the town for sale when no other development rights are on offer. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

XIII. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: PLAN 2021 ROAD PROJECTS

Motion Varda/Haag to tentatively approve the 2021 road projects list as it stands holding the \$25,000 as open funds for contingencies. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

XIV. BUDGETARY MATTERS

A. Discussion/action re: Payment of bills

Motion Haag/Varda to approve the payment of bills, check numbers 17890-17940 excluding check number 4543. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

Motion Varda/Molling to approve payment of check number 4543. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

XV. COMMITTEE REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS

*Parks Committee: Volunteers burned the prairie; plans are to remove the dead plants around the town hall and replace with new ones, looking for someone to remove the dead plants; in order to screen the fuel tank recommend cedar planking around the three sides facing the public and then possibly add vegetation

*Highway Commissioner: Met with Payne and Dolan and Jewell Engineer and deferred a little longer time for seeding to establish and will meet again in June for discussion of pavement repair, etc.

XVI. DISCUSSION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Meeting with Town of Springfield to discuss potential turnaround on Whippoorwill Road.

Motion Varda/Statz to set up a joint meeting with the Town of Springfield before one of the Town Board meetings at our town hall. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

XVII. ADJOURN

Motion Evert/Haag 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