

TITLE: Town of Berry Board Meeting Minutes
DATE: February 21, 2022
TIME: 7:00 – 8:01 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, Michael Statz, Christine Molling and Duane Haag. Also present Clerk, Brenda Kahl.

II. APPROVE MINUTES OF JANUARY 18, 2022

Motion Haag/Statz to approve the minutes of January 18, 2022. 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.

*Brad Meinholz commented that there will be three commercial businesses at a property on Whippoorwill Road. The Town of Springfield is considering placing weight limits on Martinsville and Whippoorwill Road.

*Steve Schudlach had questions about dividing off a shed from the remainder farm buildings and also about lowering the speed limit on Hillpoint Road.

IV. PATROLMAN REPORT, IF NECESSARY

Roger and Orlin reviewed the conditions of culverts on various roads. Roger will be meeting with Boehnen's and Herrling's to get proposals for crack sealing and culvert and ditching projects.

V. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: BROADBAND PROPOSAL

UpnetWI will not be submitting a proposal.

Motion Varda/Molling to approve Michael Theis to contact the PSCW about correcting the Town maps to reflect the correct broadband service speeds. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

VI. DISCUSSION/ACTION RE: CONFIRMING OPEN BOOK AND BOARD OF REVIEW DATES

Motion Varda/Molling to confirm Open Book on May 31, 2022 from 3-5 pm and Board of Review on July 13, 2022 from 6-8 pm. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

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

No action taken.

VIII. BUDGETARY MATTERS

A. Discussion/action re: Payment of bills

Motion Haag/Varda to approve the payment of bills. Motion carried. Vote 5-0. Check numbers 4548-4549 and 18236-18280.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS

*Black Earth Fire District: Submitted amortization schedules for vehicle replacements

*Cross Plains Fire District: EMS assists have increased; continuing staff training; ordered the rapid response vehicle to be delivered in 2023; discussed various options for disposing PFAS firefighting foam

*Parks Committee: Last year collected about 9 ½ pounds of seed from the prairie with some reserved to replant the wet areas for weed control and the rest will be bagged for citizens to take home; budgeted for more weed control of the invasive cattail.

X. DISCUSSION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

XI. CLOSED SESSION: The board may meet in closed session, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(c). Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

Motion Varda/Haag to go into closed session at 7:50 p.m pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(c). Roll call vote: Haag-aye, Statz-aye, Varda-aye, Molling-aye, Evert-aye. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

XII. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION PER WISCONSIN STATUTE 19.85(2)

Motion Varda/Haag to reconvene into open session at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried. Vote 5-0

XIII. ADJOURN

Motion Varda/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