

**MAPLE CREEK TOWN BOARD MEETING
TOWN HALL W10388 COUNTY ROAD W
DECEMBER 14, 2020 6:30 PM**

Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Korth called the December 14, 2020 Maple Creek Town Board Budget meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Verify open meeting notices, roll call, approval of agenda order (stands as is unless motion for change)

The agenda for these minutes was posted at the three Town posting boards on Friday, December 11, 2020.

Elected Officers present: Dalton Korth, Mike Bruette, Jim Young and Tory Much.

Appointed Officer present: Lynette Gitter

Others present: Steve Janke, Paul Gitter, Glenn Janke, Debra Radmer, Ethel Young, Martin Young, John Knapp, Andy Brigham, Joe Leopold, Mike Siewert, Gary Coroneos, Tregg Fuerst, Glenda Bryant, Susan Griffin, Gail Schley, Terry Schley and Sheila Gehrt. (Attendance sheet filed in Minute Book)

Approval of November 9, 2020 Town Board minutes and November 16, 2020 Budget Hearing, Special Town and Special Town Board minutes.

Young made a motion, seconded by Korth, to approve the November 9, 2020 Town Board and the November 16, 2020 Budget Hearing, Special Town and Special Town Board minutes. Ayes:2 (Young/Korth); Abstain:1 (Bruette).

MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer's Monthly Report; A. Monthly Report B. Dog Tag Approval

The balances for all accounts as of November 30, 2020, are as follows: Checking - \$1,058.28;

Investment Savings - \$237,817.87; and Town CD's - \$ 130,267.67. Total town funds--\$369,143.82. Stands as read subject to an audit with the clerk.

There is a check in tonight's invoices to the County Clerk to pay for this year's dog tags.

Outagamie County Sheriff's officer report (if in attendance)

None

Public Input: Pursuant to WI Statutes 19.83(2) and 19.84(2), the public may present matters for Town Board consideration, however, they cannot be discussed or acted upon until the subject matter, of the proposed action, has been noticed.

1. John Knapp wanted to know what the reason is for a lot size change.
2. Paul Gitter referenced the newsletter and the comment of ¼ acre donated to the new buyer. The CSM shows the usable acreage with the road right-of-way acreage separate. If the ¼ acre is donated, we would have a lot of separate little parcels if that were the case. The town lawyer should take a look at it.
3. Debra Radmer wanted to know the purpose of changing the lot size ordinance.
4. Tom Stracy wanted to know why the 100 foot lot width.
5. Joe Leopold would like it to stay the same at 295feet and 2 acres.
6. Mike Bruette stated that Jim Rohan came for a variance and couldn't get one.
7. Glenn Janke stated that Eileen Steingraber applied for a variance and couldn't get one.
8. Gary Coroneos doesn't remember Jim Rohan coming for a variance.
9. Clerk Gitter stated that it is too late to put a referendum on the April Election

There were other comments and questions for the board regarding the Lot size ordinance.

Clerk's note: The discussion then morphed into Agenda A.

Specific matters for discussion and possible action:

A. Changes to Minimum Lot Size Ordinance

Supervisor Bruette suggested that the road frontage should be 150 feet and stay with the 2 acres. Chairman Korth agreed and said that it is easier to work with. Chairman Korth would like to stay with 2 acres but include the acreage to the center of the road in that total. Chairman Korth said he talked to “Joe” at the Wisconsin Town’s Association and he said we are totally legal to do this. Clerk Gitter asked if we had anything in writing from the WTA. Chairman Korth said that it was a phone call. Korth made a motion, seconded by Bruette, to change paragraph 4 in the Minimum Lot Size Ordinance to reflect 150 feet of public road frontage and 2 acres to the center of the road.

2 Ayes (Korth/Bruette); 1 Nay (Young). MOTION CARRIED.

B. Plan Commission—December 8th meeting results—Next meeting January 7, 2021

- Scott Thomas contacted the clerk to say that he is not ready at this time to do a rezone from Ex Ag to General Ag, so the Plan Commission did not take it up at this time.
- The CSM for a land division by the river at the end of Young Road for Martin/Ethel Young was approved.
- Mike Siewert is interested in buying a little piece of land next to his land to put up a building. The land is in Exclusive Ag and will need to be rezoned in order to do that. He will be coming back to the Plan Commission when the CSM is completed. They were favorable of the land division.
- Hintzke’s will be reorganizing the four lots on Spurr Road owned by JJ, Jason and their mother, to secure land in a trust and build another house, possibly. The next step is to go to the County Zoning department with their plans and then come back to the town.

C. Martin/Ethel Young Land Division-PC approved-Sign certified map

Based on the approval of the Plan Commission, Young made a motion, seconded by Korth to approve and sign the CSM (part of Tax Parcel No. 160022100) for Martin/Ethel Young. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

D. Shiocton SD

- Town Hall availability in January for public—referendum questions

After discussion with the Clerk who cleans and sanitizes the town hall, Korth made a motion, seconded by Bruette to leave the decision to rent the Town Hall for public meetings for the SD of Shiocton up to the Town Clerk. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

- Resolution for referendum election

The SD of Shiocton is going to have a referendum question on the Spring Election to authorize the SD budget to exceed the revenue limit; such excess to be used to finance ongoing operational expenses necessary to maintain current educational programs of the District. They will be having public meetings explaining this resolution.

E. Mike Miller-Building Inspector

- Develop/Review Contract

The Clerk drew up a Contract for Building Inspector Services based on 3 different municipal contracts. The clerk will forward to Mike Miller for his review. This should come back next month with any updates.

A building permit was issued to Larry Thoma for a home addition, Permit #MC 2009.

F. Roads:

- WIS 76—Proposed improvements for 2024

Received a letter from WisDOT regarding developing plans for proposed improvements on WIS 76 from the WIS 54 to US 45 in the Towns of Bovina, Liberty, Maple Creek and Deer Creek and within the Villages of Bear Creek and Shiocton in Outagamie and Waupaca Counties. Improvements will include a mill and overlay of the existing pavement, two bridge replacements, minor intersection improvements, curb ramp repairs and beam guard replacements as well as other miscellaneous repairs. Construction is tentatively scheduled for 2024, with the possibility of advancement to 2023 if funding becomes available. Here’s the project website:

<https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/projects/by-region/ne/76shiocton/default.aspx>

- Any Town issues?

The County distributed the gravel for the Hintz Road shoulders. Chairman Korth bought a load of gravel and filled in by the mail boxes.

G. Ambulance Service Agreement

Korth made a motion, seconded by Young to sign the Ambulance Service Agreement with Gold Cross Ambulance for one calendar year starting January 1, 2021 for \$9,336. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

H. Pay Dues (\$152.25) to Town Advocacy Council—Renew?

The Board reviewed membership with the Town Advocacy Council. They hire contract lobbyists, hold Capitol Day, defend towns against negative legislation, and work on legislative issues that support town government official's efforts. The annual dues are \$152.25. Bruette made a motion, seconded by Young to remain members of the Town Advocacy Council and pay the yearly dues of \$152.25. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

I. Register for access to 17 recorded workshops—WTA Convention--\$94 each
No one is interested in accessing the recorded workshop information for \$94.

J. Constable—Dog call—Pay additional help plus use of trailer—14 miles
The constable needed help to pick up a large dog so he contacted Tom Matz to help him pick up and transport the dog. The constable ordinance gives him the authority to do this. The dog ended up being picked up by the owner at the spot of the pickup and the transport to Appleton wasn't necessary. However, Mr. Matz should be compensated for his time and trailer. Bruette made a motion, seconded by Young to reimburse Tom Matz \$60 for his time and use of trailer for the transportation of a dog to the Humane Society. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.
Constable Janke suggests that we raise the dog license fees to cover these dog calls.

8) Report of officers:

- **Clerk**—2021 Newspaper Ad Fees. There will be a decrease for legal notice fees this year.
DNR Transfer of MFL designation/15 acres
- **Raft**—none
- **Plan Commission**—agenda item B
- **Constable**—agenda item J
- **Building Inspector**—agenda item E
- **Cemetery Commission**—There were two burials; Matz and Finger

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None

Complaints and/or Correspondence/No action taken

- Supervisor Young has been picking up tires in ditches.

Review and payment of vouchers

Vouchers for checks numbering 11530 to 11558 were submitted for review and payment. Additional payments will be made by direct debit from checking for the November IRS withholding tax and the 4th quarter State withholding tax.

Future Agenda Items: Discussion/Action?

Mike Miller, building inspector contract
Minimum Lot Size

Adjournment/Calendar: Deadline to file nomination papers, January 5, 2021; Next Plan Commission meeting, January 7, 2021, Next Town Board meeting, January 11, 2021.

Young made a motion, seconded by Bruette, to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

These minutes were taken at a meeting of the Town of Maple Creek Board held on the 14th day of December 2020,

And were entered in this record book by: _____, Clerk Gitter

And were approved this 11th day of January 2021 by:

_____, Chairman Korth

_____, Supervisor Bruette

_____, Supervisor Young