

TOWN OF MAPLE CREEK
OCTOBER 12, 2020
TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Korth called the October 12, 2020 Maple Creek Town Board 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, October 9, 2020.

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

Appointed Officer present: Lynette Gitter

Others present: There were 21 others present. See the attached sign in sheet.

Approval of September 14, 2020 Monthly Town Board meeting minutes

Clerk Gitter would like the minutes to reflect that Deb Radmer was in attendance at the September 14th meeting.

Young made a motion, seconded by Bruette, to approve the September 14, 2020 Town Board meeting minutes with the one correction. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer's Monthly Report; Tax Bond; 3rd quarter Clerk/Treasurer Reconciliation

A. Monthly Report

The balances for all accounts as of September 30, 2020, are as follows: Checking - \$18,524.21; Investment Savings - \$307,675.99; and Town CD's - \$ 129,715.85. Total town funds--\$455,916.05. Stands as read subject to an audit with the clerk.

Dalton Korth looking for a bill from City of New London for fire call. The City doesn't bill us but the Village of Bear Creek does. May want to give Village of Bear Creek a call and see if they will charge you for the assist. The Clerk/Treasurer haven't see any invoice from City of New London for a fire call.

Tax Bond-Treasurer tax bond due every year about this time. Its \$100 and we need a motion to approve. Bruette made a motion, seconded by Young to approve the September 14, 2020 Town Board meeting minutes with the one correction. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

B. Clerk/Treasurer Reconciliation

You'll see a different report this quarter. Both offices have similar transaction reports and those will be used from now on. For July, both reports were identical. For August, the clerk needs to void check number 11436. For September, the clerk needs to break down a deposit for \$1050 into two deposits; \$1000 and \$50. It's already been done. The report wasn't updated to reflect the correction.

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. Several persons voiced their concern regarding the Minimum Lot Size Ordinance.

- John Knapp would like it to be on the April 2020 election as a referendum question.
- Chairman Korth stated that it's all done. We're going to decide it tonight.
- Mike Bruette called County Zoning and they would be willing to do a zoom meeting regarding lot sizes. He said that the county has zoning ordinances against what we are worried about. Comment-the concern is not necessarily subdivisions, but changing the whole ordinance. Mike said we should table decision and listening to what County Zoning has to say. Several people would be interested in listening to what the County has to say, however, not very many would be able to participate in a zoom meeting.

- Chairman Korth-we don't have to go through a referendum. We've satisfied all the posting conditions. We can decide tonight.
- JJ Hintzke is concerned for those that want a variance but can't get one. Looking out for people in this township that will not be able to build because they don't have road frontage.
- Chris Thompson submitted a letter, read by Sue Brigham. See attached
- Deb Radmer Why is a change important? Has someone come forward? Is this personal? Bruette-What JJ Hintzke said, that's why it's important.
- (Clerk's note: JJ Hintzke was very belligerent and used foul language and was asked to stop)... Jim Young told JJ Hintzke that he has to do the applying.
- Sue Griffin-Doesn't believe we should change it.
- Joe Leopold would like to see a referendum question on next April ballot
- Andy Brigham would like to see a variance given in certain times. Would like to see a referendum on April ballot.
- Mike Siewert-take back to Plan Commission-Some people stated that they thought the 295 feet was excessive.
- Gary Coroneos-He's been on Plan Commission for 3 years and no one has come forward. If there is a hardship, we will work with you. Can't see changing the whole ordinance for one or two situations.
- Tom Stracy-Put a referendum on next year April 2020
- A referendum can be binding or advisory referendum
- Korth-ordinance as written-surveying to center of road. Pay taxes to center of road.

There was much talking over one another-other comments made at the same time.

Specific matters for discussion and possible action:

A. Deb Radmer-Comments on County Lot Sizes

Deb Radmer did some calling around after the last meeting based on the Chairman's comments regarding all counties in the State going with 1 acre and 100 feet. In Marathon County-if it's farm preservation, its 35 acres otherwise 10acre in General Ag. Shawano County is 1 ½ acres, Langlade has 2 acres Waupaca-entire county except Fremont, Dupont Harrison, all the land is in Exclusive Ag. Chairman Korth clarified that he was talking about all the Towns in Outagamie County; not all the Counties. All but three municipalities in Outagamie County are under County zoning. The Clerk stated that we ARE under County zoning and those three have their own stricter land use ordinance, but we are under county zoning-just to clarify.

B. Minimum Lot Size Ordinance 8.04; Public Hearing Results

Chairman Korth-should we amend the current ordinance or make a new one? Should we stay with the 2 acres? Chairman Korth would like to change it to 1 ½ acres minimum and change the sentence to include the road frontage right-of-way to be included in the 1 ½ acre. Chairman Korth would like to see a minimum of 100 feet of road frontage. Supervisor Bruette would like to go with the County Lot sizes. Supervisor Young mentioned a road in the Town of Liberty that has 9 houses on it with no road frontage. It is a private drive. The Board decided to table until a later date, possibly the first week/Monday in December, so we can get more information.

C. Scott Thomas land split: Approve the final (CSM) as proposed. County has reviewed.

Bruette made a motion, seconded by Young to approve the Certified Survey Map for Scott Thomas. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

D. Martin/Ethel Young Land Division-Preliminary information from County; refer to Plan Commission?

Bruette made a motion, seconded by Young to refer the proposed land division for Martin/Ethel Young to the Plan Commission. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

E. Mike Miller-Building Inspector-possible contract

Do to the time constraints, the Board tabled this until the November meeting.

F. Roads:

1. County Highway Invoice

The current highway invoice is \$127,820.75. How do we want to pay it? All at once or partial.

Korth made a motion, seconded by Bruette to approve paying the entire County Highway invoice of \$127,820.75. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Road Certification Report

The Board reviewed the road certification report for the State. Our transportation aids are based somewhat on this road report. The clerk will finalize and send in.

3. Hintzke Road Culvert Estimate

A culvert on Hintzke Road needs replacing. The County estimate is \$7,500. Chairman Korth talked to the City of New London about redoing Hintzke Road in 2022. He feels that we should replace all the culverts on a road due to have construction the year before the construction. The road construction cost should be 27% for the City of New London and 73% for the Town.

4. Hintz Road Shouldering

Chairman Korth put some gravel down by the mailboxes.

G. Update on Recycling Cans

Harter's delivered 10 totes to the Town at \$25 each. These can be stenciled for recycling.

H. Clerk:

- 1. Approve new poll worker-Tracey Anderson

Young made a motion, seconded by Korth to appoint Tracey Anderson as an Election Inspector. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

- 2. Received official resignation letter from Deputy Clerk Katerzynske

Larry Katerzynske has officially resigned as Deputy Clerk. We thank him for his service to the Town.

- 3. Received Election WEC Cares Subgrant

We received \$601.50 as an Elections subgrant to be used for election related expenses due to the pandemic.

- 4. Election worker training October 15th 6:30 p.m.

8) Report of officers:

- **Clerk**—handled earlier
- **Raft**—none
- **Plan Commission**—none
- **Constable**—none
- **Building Inspector**—none
- **Cemetery Commission**—Cemetery fall meeting on Monday, October 19th 6:30 p.m.

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Complaints and/or Correspondence/No action taken

- A. Email from Wang Lee regarding non-attendance at Board meetings by County Sheriff Department
- B. Final Estimate-Town Population-601

Review and payment of vouchers

Vouchers for checks numbering 11482 to 11502 were submitted for review and payment. Additional payments will be made by direct debit from checking for the September IRS withholding tax and the 3rd Quarter State Withholding tax.

Future Agenda Items: Discussion/Action?

Mike Miller, building inspector contract
Minimum Lot Size

Adjournment/Calendar: Cemetery Meeting, October 19th 6:30 p.m., Town Board Budget work meeting October 26th 6:30 p.m., General Election November 3rd 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., November 9th Town Board meeting 6:30 p.m., Public Budget Hearing, Special Town Elector, Special Town Board meeting November 16th 6:30 p.m.

Young made a motion, seconded by Bruette, to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

These minutes were taken at a meeting of the Town of Maple Creek Board held on the 12th day of October 2020, and were entered in this record book by: _____, Clerk Gitter

And were approved this 9th day of November 2020 by:

_____, Chairman Korth
 _____, Supervisor Bruette
 _____, Supervisor Young