

TOWN OF FOUNTAIN PRAIRIE
Monthly Board Meeting Minutes
December 19, 2019

The regular monthly Board meeting of the Town of Fountain Prairie was called to order by Chairman Ron Huebner at 6:00 pm. Town Board members present: Dale Firary, Bill Gretzinger, Steve Jacob, David Liebenthal and Chairman Huebner. Others present: several Town residents as listed on the sign in sheet attached and Linda Henning, Clerk/Treasurer.

There were no changes to the agenda. The agenda was approved as posted

Notice of posting. Agenda posted at Fall River Post Office, Fall River Farmers & Merchants Union Bank, Town Hall, sent via Town Email List and on the Town Website: <http://fountainprairie.us>.

Minutes of November 14, 2019 – Motion by Steve Jacob with a second from Dale Firary to approve of the minutes of the November 14, 2019 Town Board meeting. Minutes approved with all in favor.

Keith Miller was present and stated that there had been discussion previously while he was chairman regarding the removal of trees in the road right-of-way. He had a copy of a resolution that he stated was presented to the town prior to 1994 regarding cutting trees in the road right-of-way. Richard Habenicht stated he would like to see the town change any resolution that may be currently in place.

Chairman Huebner requested the other Board members to find a time they can all meet to evaluate the trees/bushes that the County is recommending be removed or trimmed. The Board decided to meet on Saturday, January 11 to review the trees that had been marked to be removed or trimmed. Then a post card will be sent out reminding property owners that a decision will be made at the February 20th Town Board meeting.

Motion by David Liebenthal with a second by Bill Gretzinger to move forward agenda item 8-A, Johnson Road Speed Limit: Correspondence from the County Highway Commissioner, Chris Hardy, stated that a study had been done regarding the speed limit on Johnson Road. He reported that there are some drivers accelerating when leaving Fall River, but most others are at or below the speed limit. He also stated that it was ultimately the Town's decision to lower the speed limit to 35 mph if they chose to. This agenda item will be tabled until further notice.

Clerk's Report – The Clerk supplied the Board members with a list of election workers for 2020 thru 2021. Motion by Steve Jacob with a second from David Liebenthal to appoint the list of election workers submitted by the Clerk. Approval of election workers submitted by the Clerk for the 2020-2021 election cycle approved with all in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Payment of December bills. After reviewing the bills payable, motion by Steve Jacob with a second from Bill Gretzinger to approve for payment checks 6518 through 6528 including Electronic Funds Payments for payroll liabilities and utilities. Bills approved with all in favor.

The monthly financial report was also reviewed. Motion by Steve Jacob with a second from Bill Gretzinger to approve of the treasurer's report as presented. Treasurer's report approved as presented.

Reports/New Business

Supervisor Liebenthal – Fall River Fire Group. Nothing new. The new SCBA equipment will be arriving in February.

Columbus EMS – Nothing new.

Planning Commission – Supervisor Gretzinger, Jacob & Firary. 1) Alan Herzberg Rezone – Motion by Steve Jacob with a second from Bill Gretzinger to approve of the land division and rezone by Alan Herzberg. This was approved by the Planning Commission. 2) David and Russell Liebenthal Rezone – Motion by Bill Gretzinger with a second from Steve Jacob to approve of the land division and rezone by David and Russell Liebenthal. This was approved by the Planning Commission.

Lazy Lake Management District – Supervisor Dale Firary. No meeting

Resort Park on Sleepy Hollow – the posts that were blocking the access to the park were removed. They will be replaced.

Recycling Center – Supervisor Jacob. Nothing new.

Chairman's Report - Discussion on allowing ATV's on Town roads. Tree trimming was discussed earlier. Lyle Smith property – The Clerk was unable to make contact with anyone. Lyle Smith's son called the Town Hall regarding the property taxes for his father's property. The Clerk was directed to send a letter to Greg Smith regarding the ordinance violations on Lyle Smith's property. The Town will receive a TRIP grant next year of \$14,000.00. Pete Reak Road will be the TRIP project.

Old Business: Johnson Road Speed Limit was tabled.

Approval of updated electrical ordinance. The Board members had reviewed the updated electrical ordinance that Attorney Chris Hughes from Attorneys StaffordRosebaum had proposed to meet the requirements of the new electrical inspection guidelines.

Motion by David Liebenthal with a second from Bill Gretzinger to approve of the updated electrical inspection ordinance as required by the State of WI. Ordinance approved with all board members voting yes.

The next meeting will be January 16 at 6:00 pm. Motion by Dale Firary with a second from David Liebenthal that the Town caucus start at 5:45 pm before the meeting at 6:00 pm.

There was no more business, motion made by David Liebenthal with a second by Ron Huebner to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Next meeting is Thursday, January 16th.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Henning, Clerk/Treasurer

Attached to Original Minutes: Monthly Financial Report
List of Town Residents Present at the Meeting

UNAPPROVED