

Town of Sullivan
Board Meeting Minutes (Amended)
October 4, 2022 at 6:30pm
Town Hall-N3866 West Street, Sullivan

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Chairman Scott Buth.
- II. **Roll Call:** Chairman Scott Buth, Supervisor Paul Goeglein, Supervisor Barry Boos, Clerk Dawn Bauer, and Treasurer Shirley Boos were all present.
- III. **Verification of Proper Notice:** The meeting notice/agenda was published on the Town website, on the board outside the Town Hall, by Clerk Dawn Bauer.
- IV. **Approval of Minutes:** A Motion was made by Supervisor Goeglein and 2nd by Supervisor Boos to approve minutes from the Regular August meeting. **MOTION CARRIED 3-0**
- V. **Reports & Correspondence:**
 - A. **Treasurer's Report:** Shirley Boos read the Treasurer report. Chairman Buth said that money needs to be transferred from the account where we deposited the ARPA money, and to the General Account to pay for some of the Scott Construction bills. An email will need to be drafted and sent to instruct her to do that. Monthly revenues and invoices were reviewed by the Board members and a motion was made by Supervisor Boos and 2nd by Supervisor Goeglein to approve the report and payment of the bills. **MOTION CARRIED 3-0**

Account Balances

(*021) General Acct	58,534.25
(*798) Tax Income Acct	108,381.03
(*315) Capital Expenditure	299,095.29
(*937) Park Fund	8,301.69
(*541) Tax Collections Acct	494.20
(*912) Cemetery Perpetual Care	994.05
(*664) Cemetery Lot Sales	7,439.67
Cemetery CD #199	9,800.00
Cemetery CD #751	9,000.00
Cemetery CD #063	15,900.00
Cemetery CD #975	15,263.39

- B. **Fire District Report:** Fire Chief, Adam Werni was present and gave his report. He said that there were 3 fire calls, 3 EMS, and 2 accidents for August, and for September there were 6 fire calls, 1 EMS, and 2 accidents. There are no new members at this time. There is still a lot of programming that needs to happen to the new radios. They are using them right now and work a lot better than the old ones. They will probably not be integrated with the new broadband system until after the 1st of the year.
- C. **Road Report:**
 - 1) Denny said there were some trees down on Lundt and Rome OakHill Road during some high winds.
 - 2) Roadside mowing will be done at the end of October.
 - 3) They talked to some landowners and asked if they can pile some brush and trees on their land when the crops come off so they can do some tree trimming on Hardscrabble.
 - 4) They will be cutting down some dead Ash trees around the town in November.
 - 5) Park and Cemetery mowing is still going on.
 - 6) The ballpark has been winterized.
- D. **Clerk Correspondence:**
 - 1) A Thank You card with a survey on how they did on repairing our roads. Denny will fill out the comment card.
 - 2) A phone call was received from Richard Weslow in regards to the notice he received a month ago for having his chickens running at large, and also having a rooster. He said the rooster has been moved to Beloit, and the chickens are all in a fenced in coop.
 - 3) An email from a resident was received asking if there is any way to know how much property tax will go up if they build an additions. The Board said he would need to call the Assessor.
- E. **Chairman Correspondence:**
 - 1) Chairman Buth said that an email was received from Charlene Bliss Beyer and she will address her concern in public comment.

- F. EMS Report:** Chief Brad Bowen was present and gave his report. He did say that there will be an increase in our payment of 4% (\$2.514). He said he's working with the Wisconsin Towns Association to see what State Government can do about shared revenue, inflation, etc. at the local level. He is making sure that all the stations stay staffed even with the shortage of staff. They are focusing more on the Mental Health of their employees.
- G. Planning Committee Report:** John Kannard was present and there are some agenda items to discuss.
- H. Cemetery:** Kent Hoffman was not present.

VI. Hearing from Citizens

- 1. **Randy Hershberg-N4492 Highland Drive:** Randy had a question about a GIS mapping issue and he wanted to make sure that the Town Board would go along with what he planned to do.
- 2. **Tom Pelzman-N3986 Vista Road:** Tom had concerns about the culvert on the Island for 40 years, and recently it's been filled in to repair the road. He wondered if there was any way of replacing the culvert to let the water flow again. Denny said he didn't think there was much flow. He talked to Greg Koepel from the County and they recommended it be filled in. Chairman Buth said that they would keep an eye on it and if it seems to collect a lot of water around it, we may address it in the future.
- 3. **Charlene Bliss Beyer-W2073 Autumns Rest Ct:** Ms. Beyer chose to wait to address the Board when the agenda item is discussed.
- 4. **Robert Novak-W660 Rome OakHill Road:** He said with the winter coming up, he is concerned on his newly paved road that the plow doesn't tear it up. Chairman Buth suggested maybe putting some extra gravel on the edges of the road.

VII. New Business

- A. Discussion & possible approval of request from James & Steven Mesmer to create a 2.0 acre, A-3 zoned residential parcel around existing residence located at W1849 Bente Rd:** John Kannard and Supervisor Boos said they heard it at the Planning Committee meeting and had no problems with the farm consolidation. Supervisor Goeglein made a motion and Supervisor Boos 2nd to approve the request. ***MOTION CARRIED 3-0***
- B. Discussion & possible approval of request from Angelia Ritonia Peot to create a 2.0 acre, A-3 zoned residential parcel to the East of W804 Froelich Road:** John and Supervisor Boos said they heard this request at the Planning Committee meeting and had no problems with it. Supervisor Boos made a motion and Supervisor Goeglein 2nd to approve the request. ***MOTION CARRIED 3-0***
- C. Discussion about flooding situation in Autumns Rest Court:** Charlene Bliss Beyer brought photos of the flooding behind her house to show the Board. She had all the original plats for the subdivision from the early 2000's that states that the Town of Sullivan has the right to maintain the area and split the cost between all the residents of the subdivision. Supervisor Boos stated that in Section #33 of the Declaration of Restrictions for Summer Hill Subdivision, it says "The day-to-day maintenance of any drainage easement area located on an individual lot shall be the responsibility of the owners of such lot". He said this includes "cutting grass, raking leaves, removing fallen trees & branches and other obstructions". Chairman Buth asked Ms. Beyer if she would allow a surveyor on to her property to shoot some heights to see where it is compared to the civil drawings from 2006 and she said she would. Tom Bauer was present and stated that he had tiling installed in 2013, at his own cost, that allowed the water from the subdivision to drain onto his farm. He brought the tiler out again and he said he believed that the reason it is not flowing is due to the roots of the willow and poplar trees located on the homeowners' properties. The Town Board authorized John Kannard to do some research regarding the property and any changes.

- D. Discussion about setting a date for Budget Workshop:** Chairman Buth said he could attend and help out. It was decided to hold the Budget Workshop on Tuesday, October 18th at 5:00pm.
- E. Acceptance of Chairman Buth's resignation:** Due to the fact that Chairman Buth is moving, he can no longer be the Chairman of the Town. Clerk Bauer made a motion and Supervisor Goeglein 2nd to accept his resignation. ***MOTION CARRIED 3-0 (per State Statutes 17.25).***
- F. Discussion by Board to appoint a new Chairman and replace a member until the April 2023 Election:** Clerk Bauer made a motion and Supervisor Goeglein 2nd to appoint Barry Boos as the interim Chairman until the April 2023 elections. ***MOTION CARRIED 2-0.***

VIII. Meeting was then taken over by new Chairman Boos

IX. Old Business:

- A. Discuss & possibly take action regarding Town Recycling Center:** Denny stated that there have been a number of non-Town residents that have been using our Recycling Center. He asked the Board for ideas on how to police this better. One suggestion was keeping a log of all residents' license plates and Treasurer Shirley Boos said that was probably not possible due to people changing cars and plates. Another suggestion was to get stickers to put on residents' vehicles. It was decided that the gate would be locked Monday & Tuesday when the dumpster is full.

- X. Other Non-Action Items:** Supervisor Goeglein said he received complaints from a resident at N3926 Liberty Street regarding roaming chickens and two roosters. Clerk Bauer told him to talk to the resident and have her send a written complaint and then we will take action on it.

- XI. Set next Town meeting:** The November meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 1st at 6:30pm.

- XII. Adjourn:** Supervisor Goeglein made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Chairman Boos 2nd at 7:27pm
MOTION CARRIED 3-0

Respectfully Submitted, Dawn Bauer, Clerk