

TOWN OF RHINE
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MONTHLY MEETING AGENDA
WITH PUBLIC HEARING
Tuesday, December 3, 2019 6:30 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: This meeting is a meeting of the Town Rhine Board of Supervisors in public for the purpose of conducting the Town Rhine business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting which is indicated below.

Present: Ron Platz, Al Feld, Jon Rost, Bill Jacob, Larry Eberle

Called to order at 6:30 pm by Chairman Platz.

- 1. Compliance with Open Meeting Law:** Posted on November 29, 2019.
- 2. Pledge:**
- 3. Approve Minutes of November 5, 2019:** Rost made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. 2nd by Feld. All in favor.
- 4. Treasurer's Report:** Read into the record.
- 5. Building Permits for November:** Read into the record.
- 6. Public comments of a general nature:**

Mark Stuckman had a question about the culvert permit on Garton Road, and this was addressed by Al Feld. He also inquired if the applicant had submitted an application for a rezone or a CUP to start a composting business. Feld explained that they have not, and he reviewed the requirements for obtaining the driveway permit. **There were no other public comments.**

7. Public Hearing - Pond Permit:

To consider the application of Susan A. Bemis to construct a wildlife pond on her property at N9444 State Road 57, Elkhart Lake, WI 53020.

Platz explained that the county and DNR have approved the plans.

There were no public comments regarding this.

Feld has reviewed the application and feels that everything seems to be in order. He feels the application is acceptable as presented. Feld made a motion to approve the pond permit as presented. 2nd by Rost. Roll call vote: All in favor.

8. Discuss and Possibly Act on:

Approve Aramark quote for town hall floor mats: Motion to approve by Eberle. 2nd by Feld. All in favor.

Vorpagel request to support Road America Bill: Platz reviewed emails which the town recently received regarding Road America and their class B Liquor license. He has several questions about this. The town has never been contacted by Road America or Vorpagel regarding this. Vorpagel's office is asking for a letter of support from the Town. The bill has already been introduced into the Senate. Platz has discussed this with Rep. Vorpagel. Platz would like the board members to attend an upcoming meeting with Vorpagel on this issue.

Booher mentioned that most of the stands at Road America are manned by service groups. He would like the town to ask Road America if they intend to hold the licenses for all of those stands and then collect profits. Is their aim to have one large liquor license for all of the stands? Platz reiterated that the town has not been contacted at all about this.

Ordinance committee motion to approve funding for General Code to update and maintain code book: The ordinance committee has been working on updating the town's ordinance book for some time. The budget won't allow for this, but money could be taken from reserves at a future date to accommodate this. Jacob gave a review of General Code and the services they provide, as well as the costs. This service would help keep the code book current and updated. Part of the service includes providing an index and a search engine. He explained the initial up front cost is approximately \$10,000. There is also an annual maintenance fee. He believes the town should go ahead with this as recommended by the ordinance committee.

Eberle thinks this would be a good step in the right direction. He would like to interview the rep from General Code.

Eberle made a motion to access reserve funds when and if needed to pay for this service and to obtain further information from the General Code Rep. 2nd by Feld. Roll call vote: All in favor.

Shoreland Rd. culvert/drainage issue: Platz gave an update on the drainage issue on East Shoreland Rd. The culvert in this area needs to be repaired. Members of the board, in conjunction with town's legal counsel, have been working on solving the problem. We are currently waiting on a response from one of the homeowner's and for an engineer's survey.

Feld received a proposal from a contractor last week and is waiting on clarification of some of the items in the proposal. The county engineer noted that a 24 inch pipe should be sufficient, but he would recommend a 30 inch pipe. The town is also waiting on exhibits and plans from the involved homeowners or an engineer.

There is not enough information to take action at this time.

Long Range Plan Addendum: Paul Booher, Chairman of the LRP committee, gave a review of this addendum. There were 3 major changes made with the assistance of Kevin Struck: all statistics were updated, a new future zoning map was created, and the committee decided not to renew the Farmland Preservation Act at this time. He thanked everyone who has worked on the LRP committee, including Frank Zimmermann and Bonnie Stoelting. He listed individual names of the LRP committee. This will be continued at the January meeting.

9. Chairman's Information Report and Correspondence:

Platz expressed thanks for the Christmas decorations and noted that a minimal amount of money was spent on them.

Aggrecon update: Platz provided an update on the status of the proposed Aggrecon expansion. There is a meeting on Dec. 16 regarding this. Most of the people who would be affected by this expansion live in the Town of Rhine, but the project itself does not lie within the Town and we have no authority over it. However, the Town is in constant contact with involved parties. He suggested that people contact their representatives and Manitowoc authorities to express their extreme displeasure about expanding the pit. He continues to argue against this with the Board of Adjustments in Manitowoc

Joel Clark: He has attended almost every meeting regarding this expansion. He noted some proposed changes to the original request. Complaints are dust, noise, lack of regulation, and loss of property value. Some of the homeowners in that area have grouped together and hired their own attorney. An appraiser was hired to do devaluation appraisals to show how his property would be devalued if the pit were to go in. The study shows a drastic drop in property value if this pit it allowed, which would resolve in a loss of value and loss of tax revenue to the town.

Platz promised that the town will continue to do anything it can to help prevent this expansion.

Filing dates for candidates: Papers must be filed by January 7, 2020.

There is a Village of Elkhart Lake meeting on Dec. 16 regarding their Long Range Plan:

10. Sub-Committee Reports:

Feld: The county graded the upper portion of the recycling center and filled in some ruts. He reminded people to break down large items.

Jacob: There will be an ordinance meeting on Dec. 11 to continue work on chapter 4. There is also a planning commission meeting that evening.

Rost: A memo of understanding has been sent to Bertram. They have not responded yet.

12. Approve Vouchers: Motion to approve by Feld. 2nd by Rost. All in favor.

13. Announce Next Meeting Date: Dec. 26, 2019 at 1:00 pm to close out the books for the year.

14. Adjournment: Feld made a motion to adjourn at 7:30 pm. 2nd by Eberle. All in favor.

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