Minutes

Town of Sumner-Town Board Meeting

Tuesday, December 14, 2021 7:00 p.m.
Town Hall, 1550 24½ Street, Town of Sumner, Wisconsin

Attending: Chairperson Palmquist, Supervisors Steve Becker and Kevin Crotteau. Treasurer Jenn Harder. Clerk Sandra Tomczak. Patrolman Cory Svoma.

- 1. Call to order: Chairperson Steve Palmquist
- 2. Verification of proper public notice: Clerk Tomczak verified.
- 3. Approval of Agenda by Board: Moved Crotteau/Becker. No negative vote.
- 4. Reports and Correspondence: Given by Treasurer, Clerk. Patrolman expects to have red dump/plow truck back by Christmas.
- 5. Minutes of November Regular Meeting: Moved Crotteau/Becker. No negative vote.
- 6. Place Building Permits on file: none received.
- 7. Informal Public Comment: Bobbi Demers: read selections from Esther Bandli's local compilation of local history about the park. Josh Schmidt: spoke in favor of park improvements. Scott Tubbs: Pro-fence willing to accept 1/2 down payment on outfield fence paid before 12/31/21 and will guarentee total price until spring. Jim Pannier: commended town board on decision to hire Cory Svoma. As Town of Sumner Community Foundation (TSCF) chair, supports park committee's work, wants more clarity in town budget in regard to town's contribution to committee's work, TSCF intends to pay for majority of truck purchase and keep burden off taxpayer. TSCF may be willing to hold this money until it is needed.
- 8. Discuss options to reassess town property per Department of Revenue's letter of non-compliance: Assessor Irwin presented reassessment options to board to bring town into DOR compliance, no later than 2023. Moved Crotteau/Becker to give Irwin permission to reassess property in 2022, waiting until DOR (valuation) numbers come out in August, holding Open Book and Board of Review in September. No negative vote.
- 9. Canton Park Committee progress report and requests: about \$30,000 raised to date. Kid's Playhouse for small children ordered. Ordering an activity set for older children. Board agreed to pay 1/2 down for just the outfield fence before 12/31/21.
- 10. Procedure for board to appoint deputy clerk. Discussed. Job descriptions and contract samples will be provided for the next meeting.
- 11. Town of Sumner Community Foundation grant application from Town Board. Clerk requesting more information from the board to complete the application. Town Board to meet with TSCF board on 12/21/21.
- 12. 2022 Budget. Moved Crotteau/Becker to approve the 2022 Budget. No negative vote.
- 13. Resolution 2021-09 to Adjust 2021 Budget categories and a portion of reserves to working cash. Moved Crotteau/Becker to approve Resolution 2021-09. No negative vote.
- 14. Discuss limiting the amount of salt/sand that residents can take from stockpile without charge. No need for action.
- 15. Election Inspectors/Election Registration Officials and Alternates for 2022-2023 term. Moved Becker/Crotteau to appoint Election Inspectors on our list. No negative vote.

- 16. Discuss hire of part-time casual patrolman helper or helpers. It was suggested to have a list of persons to call on. Moved Crotteau/Becker to approve Dean Harder as part-time casual patrolman helper. No negative vote.
- 17. Informal Public Comment: Bobbi Demers asked if there was any thing board could do about a sign that has offensive language placed on private property near ball park.
- 18. Items intended for future meetings: Town Line road agreement with Strickland town. Town of Sumner Community Foundation grant application.

