Minutes of the Town of Newbold Town Board Regular Town Board Meeting held on Thursday, October 28, 2021

The Town of Newbold, Town Board, met on Thursday, October 28, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., for the Town Board Regular Monthly Meeting, held at the Newbold Fire Station, 4588 Highway 47, Rhinelander, Wisconsin, 54501, Oneida County, Wisconsin. The following were in attendance: Chairman Dave Kroll, Supervisors, Jim Staskiewicz, Mike Sueflohn, Mike McKenzie and Dan Hess; Kim Gauthier, Clerk and Jodie Hess, Treasurer.

Chairman Kroll called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., led the audience in the pledge of allegiance and the Clerk verified the agenda was properly noticed to the public.

Public comment. None.

Approval of prior town meeting minutes. A motion was made by Mr. Sueflohn and Mr. McKenzie to approve the town board regular and finance meeting minutes of October 14, 2021, as presented. That motion carried on a voice vote of all aye.

County Board of Supervisors report by Newbold Representatives. Tabled.

Monthly report of Terrestrial Invasive Species from Newbold liaison, Kathy King. Ms. King was absent and excused. Rosie Page was present and reported the Newbold boot brush and sign was the first to be installed in Oneida County. Rose indicated an inventory of T.I.S. was taken at the Newbold Outdoor Recreation Area on Ole Lake Road. Discussion on proposed brochure to place in all tax bills. A color and black and white sample distributed with pricing. *Motion by Mr. Staskiewicz and Mr. Sueflohn approving the color print brochure as presented at a cost of \$930. Motion carried on a voice vote of all aye.* WHIP will contribute \$300 towards the brochures. The board agreed the remaining funds will come from general outdoor recreation funds.

Discussion and action on Oneida County Zoning requests, Plan Commission and citizen zoning requests and chairman's report. Mr. Sueflohn indicated the commission plans to discuss the land division ordinance at the next meeting in November.

Discussion and action on Preliminary 9 lot county plat of GPS II, Inc., owner and Wilderness Surveying, Inc. surveyor for the following described vacant property along Pickerel Lake Road, further described vacant property at: Part of Gov. Lot 1, and part of the SE ¼ of the NW ¼, Section 8, T39N, R8E, PIN #NE-1008-1, NE-1006-21, Town of Newbold. Mr. Sueflohn indicated the proposal meets the town land division ordinance, however two private roads are listed on the survey map, and they do meet the town road size requirement, but need to be attached to the final map with a maintenance agreement stipulation. Approval was recommended by the commission. *Motion by Mr. Sueflohn and Mr. McKenzie to approve the preliminary plat of GPS II, Inc as presented and with the recommendation of a road maintenance agreement as discussed. That motion carried on a voice vote of all aye.*

Discussion and possible action on New Mobile Tower Site permit application by Buell Consulting, LLC, Scott Littell, agent on behalf of Harmoni Towers, LLC to construct a 300 ft. guyed tower within a leased site for cellular service on lands owned by Joan A. Mertz Irrevocable Real Estate Trust, further described as: NE ¼ of the NW ¼, Section 4, T37N, R8E, PIN: NE-24 at 5458 River Road, Town of Newbold. However there is state law that permits the county to permit the tower, the plan commission reviewed the request and had no objections. The town board took no action and directed any public comment to be sent to Oneida County Planning and Development on this matter.

Discussion and action on Public Works Employee Handbook 2022 revisions. Revisions were made to sections 700 Health Insurance, 703 Health Savings Account, 708 Accidental Injury & Life Insurance, Appendix A and B wages and insurance premiums. Discussion on new hire wage rate as it relates to another town's rate in the newspaper. No action. *Motion by Mr. Staskiewicz and Mr. Hess to approve the employee handbook with the changes presented. That motion carried on a voice vote of all aye.*

Discussion and action on proposed 2022 town budget. Chairman Kroll attended the recent library arbitration meeting and noted Pine Lake proposed a 0.7% increase to the proposed budget due to the net new construction rate. In the end the municipalities agreed to a 1.05% increase over last year's library budget which allowed for a reduction in the Newbold portion. Board discussion on the overall budget status after changes showed a \$6,000 surplus which Mr. Hess proposed to go into town hall renovations. *Motion by Mr. Hess and Mr. McKenzie to approve the proposed 2022 town budget as discussed and present to the electors. That motion carried on a voice vote of all aye.* The budget public hearing and meeting of the electors was set for Thursday, November 18th at 7:00 p.m., at the fire station.

Discussion and action on town hall remediation proposal and estimates along with update on inspections. The town received mold remediation estimates from K-Tech at \$61,889.07 and Service Master at \$22,731.42 and North Star Restoration Inc. at \$86,773.49. The board took no action, as additional time was needed to make certain the estimates meet the recommendation of the environmental testing specifications. The clerk noted that the Funktion design proposal will include some remediation costs and details of the steps will need to be coordinated. Chairman Kroll asked the board to consider two options, either remediate to get back into the building right away or wait until the board's decision to remodel and complete as a whole project. It was decided the Funktion Design costs analysis is needed along with time for the board to look at the remediation estimates prior to the next November 11th meeting.

Discussion and possible action on Newbold library representative and update on arbitration meeting. No action by the board until the next meeting. Library representatives will be sought and any interest should be directed to the Chairman.

Approval and Payment of any bills and/or funds adjustments. No action.

Administrative review and action, if necessary, concerning general government, public safety, recycling, sanitation, culture, education, job assignments, project updates, transportation, budget items, fund transfers, and future agenda items. Next town board meeting is November 11, 2021. Town Budget Hearing and meeting of the electors set for November 18, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Public hearing on town comprehensive plan set for December 4, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Public comment and communication period per Wisconsin statutes whereby the town board may receive input on any matter raised by the public. No comments.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m., with no objection.

Respectfully submitted by

Kim Gauthier, Town Clerk