

Town of Ashippun OFFICIAL Web Site : Meeting Minutes

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Chairman Steven Panozzo called the monthly Town of Ashippun board meeting to order on Thursday, November 12, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Ashippun Town Hall. Pledge to the flag was given.

The clerk verified that meeting notices were properly given. Motion by Supervisor Meyer to approve adoption of the agenda. Seconded by Supervisor Bremer. All in favor. Motion carried. Roll call was taken with Chairman Steven Panozzo, Supervisor James Meyer, Supervisor William Bremer and Clerk/Treasurer Vickie Schlieve as all being present.

Dodge County Supervisor Ernie Borchardt introduced Jane Hooper, Clearview Longterm Care and Rehab Administrator, and Jim Mielke, Dodge County Administrator. Jane explained what Clearview is all about and what they do there and how they are generating revenue. Jim Mielke explained the proposal to construct a new building at Clearview with a projected cost of \$44.5 million and will be funded by the sales tax revenue. Groundbreaking would be in the summer of 2010.

Approval of Town Board meeting minutes from the monthly town board meeting on October 8, 2009, special Roosevelt Road meeting on October 15, 2009, special Roosevelt Road meeting on October 19, 2009, and special Davy Creek meeting on October 20, 2009. Supervisor Meyer moved to accept the town board and the special meeting minutes as printed. Seconded by Chairman Bremer. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Input - Jeff Hrobsky commented on maintaining parking on Amanda Street. Dave Guckenberger spoke on the multi-family zoning ordinance, his opposition to the Davy Creek project on the 2010 budget, his opposition to purchasing the chipper, and his opposition of the town board approving the zoning changes to the old feed mill owned by Tom Lorenz. Tom Jordens asked if the crosswalk at the new post office is still in the works.

Police Report - Officer Kopecky gave the monthly report for the month of October.

Fire Department Report - Chief Eske reported that there were 6 EMS calls and 4 fire calls for the month of October. Works is continuing on the emergency management report. Clerk Schlieve read the Treasurer's report for October. Motion by Supervisor Bremer to accept the Treasurer's report as read. Seconded by Chairman Panozzo. All in favor. Motion carried. Clerk Schlieve read the list of bills presented for payment. Motion by Supervisor Meyer to pay the bills. Seconded by Supervisor Bremer. All in favor. Motion carried.

Don Christopherson, Building Inspector - The report for October was given. There were 15 inspections made in October.

Highway Department Report - Jim Jungbluth reported that the playground equipment project is finished and that they are preparing for snow plowing. He requested people contact the highway department now if they have certain concerns on plowing in their area. A third plowing route is being established.

Recreation Department/Park's, Recreation & Visionary committee report - In the absence of Jim Schlieve, Clerk Schlieve gave the final report for the playground equipment, which was a total of \$33,000, compared to a preliminary estimate \$45,552, which represents about a \$11,000 cost below budget. The committee thanked everyone who helped construct the equipment. Ray Zuercher was presented with a "Certificate of Recognition" for volunteering in the playground equipment construction.

Herb Heck of the Ashippun History Committee gave a report on the Indian Summer event that was held in October. Pictures and stories were shared with the town board. Plans are underway to hold the event again in 2010. Herb was presented with a "Certificate of Recognition" for his leadership in the Indian Summer event.

Planning Commission minutes of November 5, 2009 meeting. Clerk Schlieve read the meeting minutes and stand approved as read.

Unfinished Business: Discussion and possible approval of Multi-family zoning ordinance to be forwarded to Dodge Co. for adoption. The attorney will be reviewing this ordinance and will be offering her opinion on this ordinance. The wording on the garage and parking spaces needed clarification.

Discussion of trick or treating in the Town of Ashippun, Oct. 31, 6 to 8 pm. Ed Martin suggested that the hours be earlier. These hours coincided with the City of Oconomowoc's event.

Discussion on the closing of Associated Bank branch in Ashippun. A letter from the Horicon Bank was read by Chairman Panozzo. Chairman Panozzo thanked Mitch Hertneky and the Ashippun Businessmen's Association for their efforts in seeking a bank to open in Ashippun.

Discussion and update on Davy Creek project. A letter from James Knowles, project manager, was read on his timeline report and updates. Site testing is taking place. Lab results will be complete next week.

Discussion on Harding Road ditching. Supervisor Bremer reported nothing new on this, but said that there had been an estimate of \$40,000 for a tiling system.

Discussion and update of Town Board progress of 2010 budget. Budget public hearing and adoption of budget is on November 19th at 7:00 p.m. Residents are welcome to contact the town board with their comments before the meeting.

New Business: Discussion and possible approval of Operator's Licenses through June 30, 2010 for Jennifer Smith, Bp, Paige Bowen, Ashippun Rec Center, Jennifer Linscott, Big O's, and Shannon Cummings, Bp. Paige Bowen and Shannon Cummings were not in attendance. Jennifer Smith and Jennifer Linscott were called forward and Chairman Panozzo moved to approve the Operator's License for Jennifer Smith and Jennifer Linscott. Supervisor Meyer seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried. Chairman Panozzo moved to approve Paige Bowen's operator's license upon payment of the necessary fees. Supervisor Meyer seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried. Shannon Cummings was not approved.

Discussion and possible approval of purchasing new chipper for highway department. Tom Jordens commented that there was not a need for a new chipper. Dave Guckenberger spoke on his opposition to purchasing the chipper. Syl Hoerth said that he didn't want to see the money spent. Mitch Hertneky wants to see larger logs left along side the road for residents to take. Chairman Panozzo explained the bids that were received and need for this piece of equipment. Highway Supervisor, Jim Jungbluth recommended the Vermeer chipper after demonstrating several machines. Supervisor Meyer was opposed to financing the chipper. Chairman Panozzo moved to purchase the Vermeer for \$39,349.00. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Bremer. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval of budget resolution funding the purchase of new chipper for highway department. Chairman Panozzo reported that he had sought a grant to help fund the purchase, but the town did not qualify. The resolution number is #2009-009 and Clerk Schlieve read the complete resolution. Chairman Panozzo moved to approve the budget resolution. Supervisor Meyer seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion of Ashippun Disaster Plan recommended by the Ashippun Fire Department. Chief Eske and Chairman Panozzo met to discuss this plan. A document has been drafted and work will continue in the coming months. Clerk Schlieve thanked the town board for compiling this information that will be useful to have if there is ever an emergency. Don Kehl also noted that Dodge County is available for emergencies. Harriet Campbell suggested that a list of skilled volunteers could be formulated and included in the plan. (i.e. nurses and doctors). Diana Brotherton spoke on the need for this plan and that ham radio operators would be needed in an emergency. Syl Hoerth remembered the Great Ice Storm when the fire department helped residents with generators. Jeff Hrobsky also noted that the Civil Air Patrol helps with disasters. Supervisor Meyer added that snowmobile search and rescue units in Waukesha and Dodge Counties are trained to help with

rescue.

Discussion and possible approval of Winter Overnight Parking Ordinance #2009-008. Clerk Schlieve read the ordinance that replaces Ordinance #7.04(1). Mitch Hertneky spoke on his request to have the town board allow overnight parking on Amanda Street where he owns apartment buildings. Diana Brotherton spoke on the need for street parking on Amanda Street. Frank Hertneky also spoke on the need for street parking on Amanda Street. Dave Guckenberger expressed his opinion that the landlords should provide proper parking for their tenants. Jennifer Smith from Julianne Street commented on the difficulty in driving on Amanda Street when cars are parked on the street. Syl Hoerth asked for clarification on the ordinance. Chairman Panozzo moved to approve Ordinance #2009-008. Supervisor Meyer seconded the motion. Vote: two ayes, Supervisor Bremer abstained from voting. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval of Joe Grivetz land split on Harding Road. Supervisor Bremer explained the split, which is 14.36 acres with a small house and other buildings, which Grivetz wants to sell to adjoining landowner, Ron Egelseer. With Dodge County zoning, Chairman Panozzo moved to have the town write a letter in support of this action. Seconded by Supervisor Meyer. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible approval of Tom Lorenz, seeking recommendation for zoning change from commercial to light industrial at the old feed mill on Highway 67 in Ashippun. Bob Guenther spoke on the absence of a formal request to Dodge County to rezone. He also stated that if this area were changed to light industrial, the new post office building would be non-compliant with the new zoning. He expressed his concern for this change. Chairman Panozzo moved to send approval to Dodge County regarding the rezoning of the Tom Lorenz feed mill property to light industrial. Supervisor Bremer seconded the motion. Two ayes - Supervisor Meyer abstained from voting. Motion carried. Chairman Panozzo said that anyone that had concerns about this rezoning should contact Dodge County with those concerns.

Correspondence: Chairman Panozzo requested that Dave Guckenberger put a link to the town's new website on the old website. Clerk Schlieve read a letter from the Ashippun History Committee. Chairman Panozzo reported that the town would not be able to allow usage of the tax-exempt status to the history committee. Chairman Panozzo requested anyone having questions on the 2010 budget to contact him. Clerk Schlieve reported that a professional company would now handle paper shredding. Supervisor Meyer advised the town board that major purchases should be discussed at a future meeting.

Public Input: Roger Kopfer commented on the closing of the Associated Bank. Don Kehl also commented on the Associated Bank. Ernie Borchardt thanked the board for allowing the speakers to talk about the new Clearview Home. Terry Norton commented on the Associated Bank. Dave Guckenberger asked the board to revise the budget. Tom Jordens said that the board is spending too much money. He also compared the clerk's hours and wages to a neighboring township. He commented on the crosswalk, the purchase of the chipper, and Davy Creek.

Supervisor Meyer moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 p.m. seconded the motion. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

The next Ashippun town board regular meeting will be held on Thursday, December 10, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie Schlieve, Clerk

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