

Town of Harmony

Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday August 16, 2017

Harmony Town Hall, 440 N Hwy 14, Janesville WI

Chairman Bergman called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. In attendance Chairman Bergman, Supervisors J. Klenz, B. Barlass, D. Quarterman, E. Reilly, Attorney Moore, Clerk Tollefson, and Treasurer Check

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Supervisor B. Barlass; Second by Supervisor D Quarterman and carried by a voice vote

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes from the July 17, 2017 Town Board Meeting were approved with a spelling correction and correction to an agenda line approving the retainer with Nowlan and Mouat Law Firm.

Public Comment

Tana Fauske brought up that the trees on the corner of Rotamer and Galaxy are blocking visibility to that intersection. Clerk Tollefson stated he would inquire with the City of Janesville to see if they can be removed or trimmed.

Tana also brought up that kids are riding motorized scooters and bikes on the roads in Starview Heights. Supervisor J. Klenz said when she sees them riding to call the Sheriff's Department.

Chairman Bergman read through part of Chapter 8 of our ordinances to clarify what can be used on our roads and since it is also against State law calling the Sheriff's department would be preferable.

Chairman Bergman asked to have a resolution to have an alternate person to sign checks in the event one of the three members is unable to make the Town Board meeting.

Chairman Bergman asked about the \$250 check for the variance application in July. It should have been \$350. Clerk Tollefson stated he would call the home owner to receive the additional \$100.

Farmland Preservation ordinance

Attorney Moore updated the board on what had changed with the State of Wisconsin on what is required for the new farmland preservation ordinance that needs to be completed by Dec 31, 2017 including what can be done with a CUP, building sizes for accessory buildings and such. This will be discussed at the next few meetings.

Discussion on the building up to 4 houses on 5% of the acreage, but the township would still have to approve the buildings. The 5% of the acreage part of the ordinance was removed by the Town Board

Discussion on Rural Residential zoning ordinances

The current zoning limits the number of vehicles that can be parked on a property. In the new ordinance we want to clarify certain parts of the ordinance such as what vehicles, number of vehicles, type of vehicles, ownership of vehicles and where they can be parked such as on a hard surface only.

Discussion and possible action on road work and brush cutting for 2017

Clerk Tollefson updated the board on the status of road work for 2017 as all the large resurfacing projects have been completed along with grader patching. The county is still working on graveling the sides of the road.

Zoning officers report

As read by Zoning Officer Jim Check, four permits were issued and one for a non conforming structure to a single family home.

Building Inspectors Report

Read by Chairman Bergman, 3 permits were issued

Approval of Bills

After the bills were read by Treasurer Check a motion was made to approve the bills by Supervisor E. Reilly and Seconded by Supervisor B. Barlass and carried by a voice vote.

Treasurer's Report

Report approved as read by Treasurer Check

Miscellaneous

Clerk Tollefson covered the annexation of a house on John Paul Road was due to a septic system failure

He also covered the Board of Adjustment training meeting that was coming up and the November 7, 2017 election.

Due to Labor Day the next meeting will be held on September 11, 2017

Adjourn Meeting

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Supervisor J. Klenz; seconded by Supervisor D. Quarterman and meeting was adjourned at 9:21pm.