

TOWN OF APPLE RIVER
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, September 13, 2021

All present: Chair Bryan, Supervisor Johnson, Supervisor King, Treasurer Carlson, Clerk Agne, Planning Commission Chair Arduser, Rick Scoglio, Planning Commissioner Dale Schultz, and Justin Duncan.

The September Regular Board meeting was called to order just after 7:00 p.m. by Chair Bryan.

Verification of Public Notice was affirmed by the Clerk.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Supervisor King to approve the agenda as submitted. The motion to approve was 2nd by Supervisor Johnson. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the August Meeting were reviewed. Chair Bryan noted an error regarding the location of the new bridge. Clerk noted to correct minutes to reflect "165th Avenue" as the location of the bridge. Motion by Supervisor King to approve the meeting minutes as amended, motion 2nd by Supervisor Johnson. Motion carried.

Public Input: None.

Clerk's Report: HD Riders are hosting a Chili Fest event in October and if beer is sold, a temporary alcohol license is needed. There will be three or four elections scheduled in 2022. Our new voting machine will be serviced this week at the County offices.

Report by Treasurer: The Treasurer's August Report was presented by Treasurer Carlson. A motion by Supervisor King was made to accept the Treasurer's report as given; motion 2nd by Supervisor Johnson. A voice vote was called. Motion carried.

ARPA: Chair Bryan announced an October Wisconsin Town's Association meeting for new information regarding the use of the ARPA funds. He will be attending meeting at BrowTine Event Center.

County Report: Steve Arduser noted that there was no new information from the County.

Vouchers: Vouchers were reviewed. Supervisor Johnson noted that the American Legion committee installed the flag pole at the Shiloh Cemetery. The pole and solar light bill is \$500.00. He asked that a check be prepared to cover this expense. All agreed. Chair Bryan inquired if there were any additional discussion regarding the vouchers. Hearing none, Chair called for approval of the vouchers as amended. Motion by Supervisor King to approve the vouchers as amended, motion 2nd by Supervisor Johnson. A voice vote was called. The motion carried.

Supervisors Reports: Supervisor King noted that the 165th Avenue Bridge will be open very soon. Supervisor Johnson noted stated that a ditch at the cemetery needed grading, and the grounds looked good.

Committee Reports: Elections – There may be 4 Elections in 2022. A Spring Primary if needed, Spring Election, Fall Primary and a Fall Election.

Department Reports: First Responders/Fire Department: Fire Chief Adams provided an August report: Two fire calls, 6 medical calls, 2 car accidents, with calls about equally divided between the Town and Georgetown. Pancake Breakfast fundraiser was successful, estimated profit is approximately \$5500.00 after expenses. The Town of Beaver is considering having Apple River FD serve areas of their town for fire coverage. Chair Bryan will attend their meeting tomorrow evening. Estimated costs of serving Georgetown has been in line with expected costs. Waiting to hear when Georgetown's budgeting hearing is scheduled.

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Highway Department – Some of the signs have not been installed as of yet. Some patching has occurred but not a great deal. Chair has not had contact with County for some days. Our contract with the County will expire at year end. Nick's Excavating will submit a bid to expand his contracts with Towns, as he does work for Bone Lake and Beaver. Supervisor Johnson noted work needs to be done on 120th Avenue near 70th Street. Southern half of Apple River Lane needs fill and gravel to be lifted to remain dry.

Planning Commission – The Planning Commission met August 24th to approve the CSM for Wes Hendrickson that is next on the agenda.

CSM by GS Solutions for Wes Hendrickson – Chair Arduser reviewed proposed subdivision at the NE corner of 150th Avenue and 120th Street. The planning commission determined that the layout met the requirements of the ordinance and recommended approval. Motion by Supervisor King to approve the CSM as proposed, motion 2nd by Supervisor Johnson. A voice vote was called. The motion carried.

Driveway Ordinance Review/Rewrite – The current ordinance allows for citation for violations. Clerk prepared a Process Flow Chart for the Driveway Permit with contacts. Upon review, Chair suggested creating a checklist and note that the applicant calls the Inspector.

Proposed By-Laws for Amery Area EMS and Northland Ambulance – By laws to be commented on before October 15th so will place on next month's agenda.

Budget Planning: Schedule Work Session – The Budget Planning Work Session is scheduled for Tuesday, September 28th at 7 pm. Clerk to have year to date expense versus budget information and will discuss 5 Year Road Plan at same meeting.

Appointment of Planning Commission Members – Chair Bryan reappointed Chair Steve Arduser and Mary Scoglio to the Planning Commission.

Animal Control Violation Fees – Treasurer Carlson discussed the Animal Control and the Citation ordinances. Following discussion it was determined we have the authority and tools to collect reimbursement when Humane Officer's bills are received. It was suggested to invite our animal control officer to the next meeting to discuss collection for reimbursement for the town.

Next Month's Agenda – Budget Review; 2022 Road Plan; Darel Hall, Animal Control officer; Redistricting Resolution; Snow plowing contracting; Ambulance merger by-laws.

Public Comments: None.

Next Meeting Date and Time: Next Regular Monthly Meeting is Monday, October 11, 2021: Supervisor Workshop begins at 6 p.m.; Regular Meeting will begin at 7 p.m.

Upcoming Events: A budget planning session is scheduled for Tuesday, September 28th.

Adjourn: Citing no further business, Chair noted he would entertain a motion to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor King motioned to adjourn. Motion to adjourn 2nd by Supervisor Johnson. Motion carried. The Regular Meeting of Town of Apple River for September 2021 was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.