

TOWN OF APPLE RIVER
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, December 14, 2020

The December Regular Board meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Chair Scoglio.

Present: Chair Scoglio, Supervisor Johnson, Supervisor Bryan, Treasurer Carlson, Clerk Agne, Plan Commission Chair Arduser, Fire Chief Lloyd-Adams, Fireman Root, Betty Bergstedt, Jackie Wilson and Glen Wilson.

Verification of Public Notice was presented to Chair and affirmed by Clerk.

Approval of Agenda: The Clerk suggested moving the Town of Georgetown Fire Contract to later on the agenda as the Fire Chief had not arrived, Chair called for a motion to approve the agenda as amended. A motion by Supervisor Kerry to approve the agenda as amended. Motion to approve amended agenda, motion 2nd by Supervisor Johnson. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the November Meeting were reviewed. Motion by Supervisor Johnson to approve minutes, motion 2nd by Supervisor Bryan. Motion carried.

Public Input – None.

Clerk's Report – Clerk Agne reported on the FEMA process to receive funds, best guess is funds may be available by January or February at the earliest. Clerk did not complete a Road to Recovery Grant for the Fire Department and EMS costs. Supervisor Bryan said this was unacceptable and suggested a closer oversight is necessary. Supervisor Bryan also suggested that the Supervisors take on additional responsibility to assure work is well defined, authorized, completed with check lists and follow up. He will have a proposal for January's meeting.

Report by Treasurer: The Treasurer's November Report was presented by Janice Carlson. Motion by Supervisor Kerry to accept report as given, motion 2nd by Supervisor Johnson. Voice vote called. Motion carried. **The WESTconsin storm damage loans are coming up for a renewal, motion by Supervisor Bryan and second by Supervisor Johnson to approve the renewal of these upcoming notes.**

County Report: None.

Vouchers: Vouchers were reviewed. Chair called for approval of the vouchers as read. Motion by Supervisor Bryan to approve the vouchers, motion 2nd by Supervisor Johnson. Voice vote called. Motion carried.

Supervisor Reports: Chair Scoglio stated that non-candidacy reports are due by the end of the month. Supervisor Bryan attended the Beaver Town National Grid Renewable Presentation last week. The Beaver location is a back up if needed. Supervisor Johnson had no report.

Committee Reports: Election – There may be two elections next year, a primary in February if needed, and a spring election in April. Ambulance Board met, doing better financially. Cemetery has relieved compliments for the upkeep.

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Department Reports:

Chief Lloyd-Adams provided report for month of November: 1 fire call, 3 medical calls, and 2 car accidents. The FD hopes to finish squad with high pressure sprayer with FEMA Funds upon availability.

Planning Commission – Planning Commission Chair Arduser stated that the Commission met in November and will meet again in January for a Jarchow subdivision.

Plan Chair Arduser introduced an application for the setback reduction for a garage at 1727 East White Ash Lane for Jackie and Glen Wilson. The Commission was split, approving the application 2 to 1. After much discussion, a motion by Supervisor Johnson was made to approve the Wilson's request. Supervisor Bryan 2nd motion, a voice vote was called. Motion carried.

National Grid Renewables Apple River Solar Project – project discussed. Have Developer's information to direct questions. Email updates are available online from Madison. Clerk will forward the information.

The Town of Georgetown Fire Coverage - Clerk reviewed agreement and the addition of a one year review period was added.

The Planning Commission addressed cemeteries in the Comprehensive Plan and new language was recommended, noting adequate availability of lots. The revision of the policy for the Commission make-up was also recommended. These will be published and acted upon prior to the Regular January meeting.

The Planning Commission appointment was tabled until January.

The Caucus was scheduled for Thursday, January 21 at 7:00 pm.

The adoption of the 2021 Budget was accepted as presented. A motion to approve the 2021 Budget made by Supervisor Kerry and approval seconded by Supervisor Johnson. A voice vote was called and the motion carried.

Public Comments: Discussion regarding the payment of the Polk County Highway bill ensued. No action was taken.

Next Meeting Date and Time: Monday, January 11th, 2021: Supervisor Workshop begins at 6 p.m.; Public hearing on the Comprehensive Plan and Cemeteries and Planning Commission makeup will begin at 6:50 p.m. The regularly scheduled meeting will begin at 7 p.m.

Upcoming Events: None.

Adjourn: Citing no further business, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn. Supervisor Johnson motion to adjourn, motion 2nd by Supervisor Bryan. Motion carried. The Meeting of Town of Apple River for December 2020 was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by JoAnn Agne, Clerk