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APPROVED

Town Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, October 27, 2020

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: 2800 Ward Ave, La Crosse, WI 54601

Town Officials Present: Chairman Tim Candahl, Supervisors Renee Knutson, Marlene Heal, Tim Padesky and Tim Ehler, Administrator Christina Peterson, Treasurer Sara Jarr, and Clerk Fortune Weaver. Fire Chief Tony Holinka, Public Works Foreman Terry.

Town Officials Excused: N/A

Attendance List:

1. Meeting called to order by Candahl at 5:00 p.m.

- 2. <u>Approve Minutes from 10/6/2020.</u> Motion by Knutson, second by Heal. Motion carried unanimously.
- 3. <u>Payment of Bills.</u> Motion by Heal to pay Open Invoices: \$93,602.83, Paid Invoices: \$41,384.00, and \$19,205.30 to Coulee Country Excavating for Bloomer Mill Rd second by Padesky. Motions carried unanimously.
- 4. Citizen Concerns.
- 5. <u>Fire Department Report.</u> Holinka reported it has been quiet last couple weeks. Met with Peterson last week, updates and information overview on equipment. Staffing update. Currently we can service fire and EMS calls adequately. Some vacancies remain, hiring to begin soon. Budget update is being finalized. Fire Department will hand out candy on Halloween, PPE worn, and social distancing practiced. Asbestos removal has been completed for controlled burn structure, paid for by Fund B with donations to cover.
- 6. Request to Purchase/Swap Town Parcel on Willow Trail/Knobloch. Peterson gave information on discussion had with realtor. Planning Commission did not make a recommendation but passed along comments. Gas easement cuts through the lot. Candahl is open to the idea, but we need to work together and do more research to see what options would be best for all parties. Parties will have to provide more information. No action taken at this time.
- 7. <u>CSM Skemp Road- Paul Kunert.</u> Planning Commission recommended approval. Creation of two lots for residential. This would still need to be approved by the City of La Crosse. Motion by Padesky second by Heal to approve and recommend approval to the City/County. Motion carried unanimously.
- 8. 33 Acre Martin Property for Sale- Parcel 11-1163-0. 33-acre parcel, Bluffland Coalition proposed that Shelby, Coalition and City of La Crosse split the cost. No action to be taken, but the Board should be thinking about if we want to pursue anything further.
- 9. <u>Digital Message Sign for Town Hall.</u> Two bids received. Recommendation to accept low bid of \$36,545.00 from Stratford Sign Company. Motion by Ehler second by Heal to accept bid. Motion carried unanimously.
- 10. <u>2020 Budget Adjustments.</u> Peterson gave summary of adjustments being made to Town Budget for 2020. Motion by Padesky, second by Ehler to approve budget adjustments. Motion carried unanimously. (See Attached).

- 11. <u>2021 Employee Wages.</u> Discussion on wages and what qualifications deserve designated pay grades. Motion by Padesky, second by Knutson to approve proposed wages for 2021.
- 12. <u>Resolution 20-7 Use of Unused Levy (from previous year).</u> Motion by Heal, second by Padesky to sign Resolution 20-7.
- 13. Administrator Report.
 - a. Update on Health Insurance. Quote by the end of the week from Quartz.
 - b. Cemetery off 14/61 is falling back on the Town, we are going to take down the trees and change the information with La Crosse County.
 - c. Ebner Coulee Road complaints regarding parking were received by City of La Crosse and Town of Shelby. Town will meet with City to discuss topic. Any potential issues with plowing or emergency vehicles will have to be addressed.
 - d. Hale Skemp meeting went well, Bryant Kjos was selected by them as the new Town Attorney, which is going well.
 - e. Sewer rate study information has been presented. Issues with their rate increase should be addressed at City Public Hearing in November. Potentially we will be going just to learn more about it.
 - f. Officer Neitzke's retirement acknowledgement will be planned soon. Christmas party discussions will be entertained. No action taken on Christmas Party/Retirement.
 - g. COVID grants are being worked on, hopefully using all \$77,000.00. If there is any left over, the Board supports giving that to La Crosse County.
 - h. Diamond Maps GIS System is being worked on by Terry and Dan. New program is minimal cost and will give us more information about lines and conditions around Shelby. It was proposed for Sanitary District 2 and Town to split costs.
- 14. <u>Public Works Report</u>. Project updates, Coulee Springs, Stry Foundation, Boma Road, Bloomer Mill Road, Mormon Creek Park, Sweeping, Sand and salt mixing. New trucks purchased. Mowing will be finished this week. Gravel roads final grating of the season will be finished this week.
- 15. <u>Chairman/Supervisor Reports.</u> Candahl discussion on Shelby Youth Ball Fall tryouts and the status of SYB. Suggested to have a meeting with Padesky, Peterson and SYB this week to discuss this. At this point, the Board is not in favor of tryouts in Fall due to COVID and the need to reevaluate the program. No Boundary Agreement Updates. Election is going well, over 1,800 votes counted to date.
- 16. <u>Adjournment.</u> Motion by Heal, second by Padesky to adjourn at 6:52 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Next meeting will take place November 17, 2020 @ 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Fortune M. Weaver, Clerk