

Town of Somerset
Town Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 5, 2016
(Not official until approved at next meeting.)

Chairman Schachtner called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. Present were Rauch, Germain, Demulling and Schachtner. Absent: Plourde. Motion by Demulling, seconded by Germain to approve the agenda. Motion carried. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Schachtner announced the meeting was being recorded. Public input-Rita Lawson gave an update on the Somerset Library expansion. There is a public meeting scheduled on October 11 at the Somerset Library with the architect. Lawson stated public input is important in the expansion. Comments may also be submitted online. Plans are available for viewing on October 11 or at the library's website.

Clerk's & Treasurer's Report: Motion by Rauch, seconded by Demulling to approve the September 7th meeting minutes. Motion carried. Motion by Germain, seconded by Rauch to approve the September financial report as presented. Motion carried.

Building Inspector Report: Motion by Rauch, seconded by Germain to approve the September Building Inspector report as provided. Motion carried.

Animal Control Report: No calls for September.

Fire/Rescue Commission Report: Koester read Belisle's September report consisting of 28 calls for service. The total calls are 298 for 2016 compared with 317 for the same time in 2015. Fire Prevention scheduled for October 13 at Fire Hall. Department received a WI DNR grant for tools, helmets and radios with the Fire Dept.'s share being \$5,000. Motion by Demulling, seconded by Germain to approve the Fire/Rescue Commission report. Motion carried.

Parks, Rec & Planning Commission Report-Zac & Sara Eichten Request for 17' Variance for Setback at 454-192nd Avenue: Zac & Sara Eichten sent an email withdrawing their request for a setback variance and asking to be removed from the Town Board meeting agenda.

Jim Zuccone & Adam Shumaker/Doug Zahler ACA Surveying-2 Lot CSM off Hwy. 35 & 68th Street (Kippes Property): Doug Zahler presented a 2 Lot CSM for Zuccone & Shumaker for the property they are purchasing from Kippes off Hwy. 35 and 68th Street. The Planning Commission has recommended approval. Discussion on the access for Lot 2 off 68th St. and mapping an 80' access stub dedicated to the Town but not built, with language attached to the CSM that whoever develops the third lot would need to construct and pave the Town road. 80' easement is due to possible commercial development. After much discussion, it was decided that Zahler should revise the map with the 80' access easement to Lot 2 and get the language on the future road construction to the Town. Motion by Schachtner, seconded by Demulling to approve the 2 lot CSM for Zuccone & Shumaker with the access stub off 68th Street being mapped as 80' easement and dedicated to the Town, but not built until the third lot is created/dwelling constructed. Motion carried. Park fees have to be paid prior to final approval of CSM.

Appointment to Fill Parks, Rec & Planning Commission Vacancy: Tabitha Hansen was present and has been attending meetings expressing an interest to serve on the Commission. Mike Kappers was also present and stated he was interested in being a member of the Commission. Schachtner appointed Tabitha Hansen to fill the vacancy on the Parks, Rec & Planning Commission left by the resignation of Jean Hoffman and stated he would keep Kappers in mind as there may be more openings in the future. Hansen's term will expire in May of 2018.

Old Business-ATVs on Town Roads: Demulling stated no action yet but next month he will hopefully have more information.

2015 Delinquent Personal Property Tax Accounts: Somerset Small Engine Repair/Randy Martell & Muzak are still outstanding. Muzak emailed the payment is being processed. Schachtner will make contact with Martell. Consensus to proceed with filing small claims if not paid.

New Business-Appoint Sylvia Dalzell as Election Inspector: Motion by Rauch, seconded by Demulling to appoint Sylvia Dalzell as an Election Inspector. Motion carried.

Set Time/Date for 2017 Public Budget Hearing & Special Meeting of Electors: Motion by Germain, seconded by Rauch to set the 2017 Budget Hearing/Meeting for Wednesday, November 2, 7:30 pm. Motion carried.

Discussion on Ordinance Regarding Home Construction on Parcel Prior to Shed/Outbuilding Construction: It has been advised this is a zoning issue and St. Croix County does not have language in their zoning ordinance mandating such a requirement. Discussion on encouraging the county to add this language to their zoning ordinance, especially for 3-5 acre lots in subdivisions.

Transportation & Facilities Committee Report-Road Projects, Equipment, TMDL Sediment Reduction Grant Update, Part Time Snow Plow Drivers: Schachtner reported road projects are finished. Monarch has been invited to the next meeting Transportation & Facilities meeting on November 1 to discuss the Lakeside Lane paving. No equipment issues at this time. Rauch will contact Fedderly concerning the information for the TMDL grant. Motion by Germain, seconded by Demulling to hire part time snow plow drivers-Mike Havlish, Don Dalton, Brian Parnell, Jerry Neumann and Joe Nirmaier. Motion carried.

Announcements: Pruden/Kelly Court Hearing, Tuesday, October 11, 11:00 am
WI Towns Association Meeting, Thursday, October 27, 6:30 pm

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Jeri Koester, Clerk