

TOWN BOARD MEETING – TOWN OF GRAND CHUTE - 1900 W. GRAND CHUTE BLVD., GRAND CHUTE, WI – NOVEMBER 1, 2016

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Dave Schowalter, presiding officer.

PRESENT: Dave Schowalter, Jeff Nooyen, Travis Thyssen, Bruce Sherman, Jim Pleuss, and Karen L. Weinschrott, Town Clerk

STAFF: Jim March, Town Administrator; Bob Buckingham, Community Development Director; Tim Bantes, Fire Chief; Julie Wahlen, Finance Director; Greg Peterson, Police Chief; Tom Marquardt, Public Works Director; Karen Heyrman, Deputy Public Works Director; Bob Heimann, IT Director; Mike Patza, Town Planner; Carl Sutter, McMahon Associates; Attorney Claringbole, Herrling Clark Law Offices

OTHERS: 10 signed attendance

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ORDER OF THE DAY

Motion (Nooyen/Sherman) to approve. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

Thomas Rehfeldt, 5320 W. Spencer St., is speaking on behalf of 37 concerned residents that live on Spencer Street between Casaloma and Mayflower. He presented a petition to Clerk Weinschrott of those residents that do not want the Spencer Street urbanization. They do not want the sidewalks, bike lanes, curb, and gutters. It is a rural street and they do not want it urbanized. This project would end where the Town of Greenville begins. Greenville does not have anything in their budget for that road until 2021. Grand Chute has budgeted \$2.8 million for this project, which is the largest line item for the next 3 years. He invited the Town Board to look at the road and see if it makes sense to spend that much money on a road that starts nowhere and ends nowhere.

Craig Bethke, 5400 W. Spencer St., is not in favor of the urbanization. They first found out about the urbanization at a July 28th meeting. It seemed everything was moving forward whether or not the residents wanted the urbanization. No one purchased properties in that area to have them urbanized with street lights and sidewalks. He does not know how they will put sidewalks through the swampland. The meeting stated Federal funding covered 80% of the project. He would like to know why property owners were not asked for their input. He believes the urbanization will reduce his property value and quality of living. He would like the Town Board to cancel or modify the project.

Lynn Rehfeldt, 5320 W. Spencer St., stated 95% of the Spencer Street residents are over 55 years old. This urbanization creates a hardship on these individuals due to fixed income and the maintenance of the sidewalks. If there was a shoulder on the road, sidewalks would not be needed. She believes they should put the sidewalks in denser populated areas.

Robert Cops, 5321 Long Ct., questioned why sidewalks would not be closer to Badger School. He asked if they would need a retention pond in the area or would they be receiving sewers.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Regular Meeting minutes – October 18, 2016

Licensing: *(applications on file in the clerk's office) (License Committee recommends approval)*

Operator Licenses:

Applications to expire: 2018 dated 10/14/16

Liquor Licenses:

Original application for a "Class B" liquor and beer license, GBNP Events, Inc., 4815 N. Lynndale Drive (Bubolz Nature Preserve), Randy Tuma, agent. (Construction of new facility to be completed in 2017).

Motion (Thyssen/Sherman) to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Approval of Voucher List – November 1, 2016
\$285,220.74 (90781-90820); Payroll \$271,310.44 ACH \$244,426.47

Budget Statements – September 2016

Motion (Thyssen/Pleuss) to approve the voucher list and accept the budget statements. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Plan Commission Recommendations:
Amendments to Chapters 398 and 423 Municipal Code pertaining to public nuisances, property maintenance and natural landscaping. PC recommends approval. *Ordinance No. O-08-2016.*

Motion (Thyssen/Pleuss) to approve.

Supv. Nooyen was concerned with this after seeing the presentation at Plan Commission. He receives complaint calls on a certain property in his neighborhood with natural landscaping. There is not enough staff to monitor this ordinance so he cannot support it.

Town Planner Patza stated this ordinance will help define what noxious weeds are and will be able to regulate those with natural landscapes.

Admin. March stated the Police Department will begin taking on code enforcement complaints, which should help relieve some of the workload for Community Development.

Motion carried. Nooyen and Sherman opposed.

CP-05-16 Condo Plat requested by Apple Valley Homes, LLC, approving Addendum No. 2 of the Georgetown Square Condominium, 5400 Pennsylvania Avenue. Director Buckingham to report results from 11/1/16 PC meeting.

Director Buckingham reported that Plan Commission recommends approval.

Motion (Thyssen/Nooyen) to approve. Motion carried.

2016 Holiday Hours for Tax Collection.

Motion (Nooyen/Pleuss) to approve. Motion carried.

Supv. Nooyen asked for the tax hours to be displayed at the polling locations for the November 8th election.

2017 Budget Update.

Dir. Wahlen explained her budget update memo and attachments. She included the changes that the Town Board wanted in the budget meetings along with updating figures that were unknown at the time of the budget meetings such as Valley Transit, Court, Park labor, and the mill rate projection.

Dir. Wahlen provided an analysis of the part-time and seasonal help for parks.

Motion (Thyssen/Pleuss) to approve the orange recommendation (alternative #2). Motion carried.

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Dir. Marquardt explained the updated CIP stating they need a salt shed double the size. They looked into the cloth type structures, which was successful in Menasha. The \$700,000 in the CIP would be for the salt shed and it would come back to Town Board for final approval.

Dir. Marquardt explained the second CIP change would be Kohl Drive final surface and Morrison Street storm sewer. These projects would come back to Town Board for approval.

Motion (Thyssen/Nooyen) to approve the updated CIP. Motion carried.

Dir. Wahlen explained that the #4 and #5 attachments are informational. She had previously heard questions on how the capital projects affect the tax levy, so she provided information on how the Town takes out debt and how it affects the tax levy.

Dir. Wahlen explained that the Town should move \$49,000, which is the cost of the GIS software, out of the capital fund into the general fund.

Motion (Thyssen/Pleuss) to approve moving the GIS software from the capital fund to the general fund. Motion carried.

Dir. Wahlen recommended moving the Document Management System and the contracted labor from the CIP to the general fund.

Motion (Thyssen/Pleuss) to approve moving the Document Management System and the contracted labor from the CIP to the general fund. Motion carried.

Plowing and Winter Maintenance on the Casaloma Drive Trail from STH 15 to the Fox River Mall, including the bike/ped overpass of I41 near the Timber Rattlers stadium.

Motion (Nooyen/Thyssen) to approve. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

Resolution TBR-15-2016 amending Public Depositories.

Motion (Thyssen/Pleuss) to approve. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion (Thyssen/Sherman) to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

These minutes were taken at a regular meeting held on November 1, 2016 and entered in this record book, November 8, 2016 by:

Karen L. Weinschrott, Town Clerk
Town of Grand Chute
APPROVED: November 15, 2016