

Town of Black Earth
Minutes of Town Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 4, 2020

1. Meeting call to Order. Town Chair Vern Wendt called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Supervisors Barb Parrell, Don Ripp, and Clerk Stephanie Zwettler were present. Treasurer Brenda Kahl was absent.
2. Proof of Posting. Affidavit of posting was provided.
3. Approval of the Agenda. Don Ripp moved and Barb Parrell seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried. 3-0
4. Approval of the Minutes of the January 7th meeting. Barb Parrell moved and Don Ripp seconded the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried. 3-0
5. Discussion/Action re: Financial Report.
 - a.) Money Market: \$658,644.32 Checking: \$19,976.32
 - b.) Approval of checks written. Don Ripp moved and Barb Parrell seconded the motion to approve written checks numbered 11421-11434. Motion carried. 3-0
6. Discussion/Action re: Patrolman's Report.
 - a.) Reeve Rd bridge and bridge inspection report. The Town Board reviewed the report. The Town Chair, Patrolman and Clerk will convene next week to contact Dane County and discuss available options regarding the bridge.
 - b.) Midland Rd culvert. Patrolman Al Schroeder reported that this culvert needs replacing, possibly upgrading to a larger size.
 - c.) Planting trees in right of way. Patrolman Al Schroeder reported that some trees have been planted in the right of way on Mickelson Rd. Clerk Stephanie Zwettler will send a letter to the landowners.
 - d.) Mahocker Rd ditching, stump removal. The Town Board discussed the road project budgeted for this year on Mahocker Rd. Vern Wendt moved and Don Ripp seconded the motion to hire Boehnen Excavating for stump removal, ditching, culvert replacements, and regrading on Mahocker Rd. Motion carried. 3-0 Clerk Stephanie Zwettler will notify utility companies of the upcoming work.
 - e.) List of tools – new cost estimates. The Town Board reviewed the list of tools that are owned by Patrolman Al Schroeder and currently used at the town; cost estimates were provided. Barb Parrell moved and Vern Wendt seconded the motion to approve the Patrolman spend up to \$1500.00 to purchase the tools listed. Motion carried. 3-0

7. EMS Board Report. Barb Parrell reported that the new truck has arrived, and the radios are in service.
8. Fire Board Report. Don Ripp reported that the check from FEMA has been received. They will be working to finish repairs on the building, including replacing the roof on the fire station in the future.
9. Discussion/Action re: Zoning district adjustments – blanket rezone. Clerk Stephanie Zwettler presented the list of zoning district adjustments that will be part of the blanket rezone scheduled for the ZLR meeting on March 24, 2020.
10. Discussion/Action re: FEMA update on road projects. Clerk Stephanie Zwettler reported that the scope and cost for Project 77014 has been reviewed and signed; the project is now waiting to be obligated by FEMA.
11. Discussion/Action re: Board of Review training. Town Chair Vern Wendt and Supervisor Don Ripp will attend the Board of Review training at the Wisconsin Towns Association District Meeting at Deer Valley on March 13.
12. Discussion of future agenda items: Reeve Rd bridge, update posting locations.
13. Adjourn. Barb Parrell moved and Don Ripp seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephanie Zwettler, Town Clerk