

Town of Black Earth
Minutes of Town Board Meeting
Tuesday, May 5, 2020

1. Meeting call to Order. Town Chair Vern Wendt called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM, following the first session of 2020 Board of Review. Supervisors Don Ripp, Barb Parrell, Treasurer Brenda Kahl, and Clerk Stephanie Zwettler were present.
2. Proof of Posting. Affidavit of posting was provided.
3. Approval of the Agenda. Barb Parrell moved and Don Ripp seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried. 3-0
4. Approval of the Minutes of the April 9, 2020 meeting. Don Ripp moved and Barb Parrell seconded the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried. 3-0
5. Public Comments. There were no public comments.
6. Discussion/Action re: Financial Report.
 - a. Money Market: \$338,647.00 Checking: \$11,263.64
 - b. Approval of checks written. Don Ripp moved and Barb Parrell seconded the motion to approve written checks numbered 11491-11507. Motion carried. 3-0
7. Discussion/Action re: Patrolman's Report. Patrolman Al Schroeder reported that the culvert on Midland Rd has been installed; he has completed mowing with the rented boom mower; will begin patching soon.
8. Discussion/Action re: Plan Commission Report. No report this month.
 - a. Plan Commission appointments. Town Chair Vern Wendt appointed Chuck Bruhn and Paul Wilichowski to the Plan Commission for the three-year term. Barb Parrell moved and Don Ripp seconded a motion to confirm the appointment. Motion carried. 3-0
9. Discussion/Action re: Mahocker Rd – bidding process, erosion control permit. The Board discussed the bidding notice that is being published and will award the project at the June Town Board meeting. Town Chair Vern Wendt is awaiting a response from Dane County regarding the timing of the erosion control permit.
10. Discussion/Action re: Reeve Rd bridge – inspection update. Town Chair Vern Wendt reported receiving a response from Dane County Highway Engineer Matt Rice. The Town Board discussed options addressing the current state of the bridge, installing a weight limit sign, and the timeline for bridge replacement. Barb Parrell moved and Vern Wendt seconded the motion to

direct the Town Chair to request that Dane County Engineers perform a load rating analysis for the purpose of installing a weight limit sign. Motion carried. 3-0

11. Discussion/Action re: Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting has been rescheduled to May 19, 2020.
12. Discussion/Action re: Board of Review – appoint alternates. Barb Parrell moved and Vern Wendt seconded a motion to appoint Dayna Dreis and Brenda Kahl as alternates to the 2020 Board of Review. Motion carried. 3-0
13. Discussion/Action re: Revising Driveway Permit Application – review draft. The Town Board discussed the draft of the revised application form. Barb Parrell moved and Don Ripp seconded the motion to approve the Driveway Permit Application as amended. Motion carried. 3-0
14. EMS Board Report. Barb Parrell reported that the EMS meeting has been canceled until July.
 - a. Appointment to District 1. Town Chair Vern Wendt moved to appoint Barb Parrell as town representative to the EMS Board and that Vern Wendt will serve as the alternate; Don Ripp seconded the motion. Motion carried. 3-0
15. Fire Board Report. Don Ripp reported that the next Fire meeting has also been postponed.
 - a. Appointment to the Joint Fire District. Town Chair Vern Wendt moved to appoint Don Ripp as town representative to the Joint Fire District Board, with Vern Wendt serving as the alternate; Barb Parrell seconded the motion. Motion carried. 3-0
16. Discussion of future agenda items.
17. Adjourn. Barb Parrell moved and Don Ripp seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephanie Zwettler, Town Clerk