

Town of Black Earth  
Minutes of Annual Meeting of the Electors  
Tuesday, April 19, 2022

1. Call to order. Town Chair Barb Parrell called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.  
Supervisors Don Ripp, Tom Turk and Clerk Stephanie Zwettler were present.  
Electors present at meeting: 11
2. Proof of Posting. Affidavit of posting was provided.
3. Minutes of the Prior Annual Meeting – April 20, 2021. Don Ripp moved and Barb Parrell seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Town meeting held on April 20, 2021 as published. Voice vote: 2-0, 1 Abstain. Motion carried.
4. ATV use on town roads – discussion only. Town Chair Barb Parrell announced the topic of ATV use is only for discussion purposes but invited comments to be shared.

Jason Handel proposed the consideration of opening access to ATV use and adopting the same ordinance as the Town of Mazomanie with lowered speed limits for ATVs.

Ted Marthe expressed concern for ATV use on town roads due the potential hazards, citing narrow roads, no shoulders, and frequent traffic to his business on Reeve Road.

Tom Bennett also opposed ATV use expressing safety concerns for the many people who utilize the town roads, particularly Reeve Road.

Andy Adler supports ATV use; if following the rules of the road, they are another form of vehicle on the road.

Jason Anstice of the Town of Mazomanie reported that the speed limit can be lowered for ATVs.

Cody O'Connell of the Town of Mazomanie stated that ATVs must have working taillights, headlights and license plates.

Bob Sagmoen of Cross Plains provided the Town Board with recent legislation pertaining to posted speed limits of ATVs.

Town Chair Barb Parrell expressed appreciation for the comments but stated no action would be taken at this time; a referendum may be considered in the future, but it would be advisory only, as the decision whether or not to adopt an ordinance is at the discretion of the board.

5. Review Financial Report for the year ending Dec. 31, 2021. Clerk Stephanie Zwettler presented a financial report for the year ending December 31, 2021. Tom Turk

moved and Don Ripp seconded a motion to accept the financial report. Voice vote: 3-0. Motion carried.

a. Updates on proposed 2022 Road Projects. Town Chair Barb Parrell reported the proposed 2022 road projects and scheduling.

b. Cemetery Association Contribution. Tom Turk moved and Don Ripp seconded a motion to approve a contribution of \$500.00 for the Trent Turk Oak Hill Cemetery. Voice vote: 3-0. Motion carried.

6. Set date for next year's Annual Meeting. Next year's Annual Meeting will be held on April 18, 2023, at 6:30 PM.

7. Any other business lawfully presented per WI § 60.11. None presented.

8. Adjourn. Don Ripp moved and Tom Turk seconded the motion to adjourn. Voice vote: 3-0. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:11 PM.

By: Stephanie J Zwettler, Town Clerk

Minutes posted: April 26, 2022.