

Town of Black Earth
Minutes of Town Board Meeting
Tuesday, September 6, 2022

1. Meeting call to Order. Town Chair Barb Parrell called the meeting to order at 6:16 PM. Supervisors Don Ripp, Tom Turk, Treasurer Brenda Kahl, and Clerk Stephanie Zwettler were present. Also in attendance: Al Schroeder, Dino Lukavackic and Noely Pinedo.
2. Proof of Posting. An affidavit of posting was provided.
3. Approval of the Agenda. Tom Turk moved and Don Ripp seconded a motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried. 3-0
4. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting – August 2, 2022. Tom Turk moved and Barb Parrell seconded the motion to approve the minutes from August 2, 2022, as presented. Motion carried. 3-0
5. Public Comments. There were no public comments.
6. Financial Report.
 - a. Money Market: \$300,730.75 Checking: \$25,591.54
 - b. Approval of checks written. Tom Turk moved and Don Ripp seconded the motion to approve written checks numbered 12019-12043, including direct deposit paychecks. Motion carried. 3-0
7. Plan Commission Report.
 - a. Dino Lukavackic & Noely Pinedo, approx. 9730 Kahl Rd – zoning change for approx. 7.6 acres from FP-1 to RR-4, DCPREZ-2022-11884. Don Ripp moved and Tom Turk seconded the motion to approve the zoning change of approx. 7.6 acres from FP-1 to RR-4 on Dane County Rezone Petition DCPREZ-2022-11884. Motion carried. 3-0
8. Village Edge, LLC, 1704 Blue Mounds St. – Groundswell Conservation easement, resolution. Town Chair Barb Parrell reported that the proposed resolution is postponed until October 2022, pending action from the Village of Black Earth.
9. Patrolman’s Report. Patrolman Al Schroeder reported repair issues with the mower; would like to patch ¼ mile section of Blackberry Road due to poor pavement condition. Don Ripp moved and Tom Turk seconded the motion to approve the purchase of cold mix to patch Blackberry Road. Motion carried. 3-0
10. Broadband internet service – update. No update provided.
11. Omitted property tax bill – update. Clerk Stephanie Zwettler presented a letter written by Atty. Mark Hazelbaker to the property owners requesting payment for their delinquent omitted tax bill.

12. FEMA Flood Community Rating System – evaluate program for possible participation. Town Board members discussed the program application; they agreed the town does not qualify for many of the required criteria needed for enrollment.
13. Set date for Budget Work Meeting. The Budget Work Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 6, 2022, at 6:30 PM.
14. EMS Board Report. The next meeting is Thursday, September 8, 2022.
15. Fire Board Report. Supervisor Don Ripp reported the fire budget was approved with \$5000 increase due to rising costs of fuel and equipment.
16. Discussion of future agenda items. Omitted tax bill, “Opt-out” option to withdraw from county zoning ordinance.
17. Adjourn. Tom Turk moved and Don Ripp seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:33 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephanie Zwettler, Town Clerk