TOWN OF EMPIRE

Monthly Meeting February 14, 2024

Chair James Pierquet called the monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Empire to order at 7:30 pm on Wednesday, February 14, 2024, at the Empire town hall. Notice and agenda of this meeting was sent to the Town's official newspaper, the Reporter, and a copy is on file with the Town Clerk.

Present at the meeting were James Pierquet, Chair, Richard Julka and Ted Halbur, Supervisors, Scott Schnettler, Town Clerk, Gail Schindelholz, Treasurer, Mike Morgan, Deputy Clerk, Tom Schindelholz, Trish Schnettler, Brian Sarauer, Dylan Schneider, and Mike Thun from Harter's Lakeside Disposal.

Chair Pierquet called the meeting to order and announced that a quorum was present.

On a motion by Julka, seconded by Halbur, the minutes of the January 2024 monthly meeting were approved.

The first order of business was to have Brian Baker and Brent Schumacher presented the site plan and the proposed building plans for the Baker Property located N5319 DeNeveu Lane. Due to the fact there will not be a principle residence on this property nor do they plan to have one, a variance change has been requested.

The second order of business was to hear from Mike Thun from Harter's Lakeside Disposal about extending the agreement with the Town of Empire. Harter's proposal was reviewed by the board. The town was requested to review a proposal from another vendor. After reviewing both proposals a decision will be made at the next meeting.

Next order of business was to discuss and possibly approve the short-term license for The White House on the Hill located at W4415 Mary Hill Drive. Chair Pierquet stated that after legal counsel reviewing information presented at last town meeting there is no grounds for the town not to issue a license for The White House on the Hill located at W4415 Mary Hill Drive. Whenever they update their county and or state license it is requested that they send copies to the Town of Empire. It will be their responsibility to renew their license annually.

Next order of business was to discuss WTA training for the elected officials. It was agreed to meet at the Town Hall on March 9 at 7:00 a.m. to attend the training in Manitowoc.

Next order of business was to address complaints of mud on the road coming from the Kurt Albrecht Farm located at W2890 Poplar Road. Chair Pierquet stated he received three different calls from three different people. Two different board members drove through the area and did not see anything that was concerning. It was decided to send a letter to remind Kurt to keep the road clean.

Next order of business was to discuss and possibly approve \$100 to the Fond du Lac County Unit Checking Account. Supervisor Julka motioned to approve contributing \$100 to the Fond du Lac County Unit, Supervisor Halbur seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

Next order of business was to discuss and possibly act on a plan to address the culvert inventory in the Town of Empire. Supervisor Julka motioned to have Delmore Consulting conduct the culvert inventory in the Town of Empire, Supervisor Halbur seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion carried.

Public comment: Brian Sarauer from Mary Hill Park wanted to thank the board for the trimming of the trees in their subdivision and plowing the snow.

Permit Issuer Becker stated that it had been a slow month.

Supervisor Halbur concerned about the floor in Town Hall after receiving complaints from the 4-H Club. Chair Pierquet stated he would get an estimate for replacement.

Chair Pierquet stated that at the WTA training he would like to learn more about ARIP and culvert on Artesian Road.

Supervisor Julka had nothing to state.

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Clerk Schnettler stated only one pet rescue responded to my request to catch stray dogs. After they get in contact with me, it will be added to the next agenda.

Bills were approved and paid.

On a motion by Julka, seconded by Halbur, all in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Scott Schnettler

Town Clerk

These minutes were taken at a meeting of the Town of Empire Board held on February 14, 2024, and entered in this record book this 16th day of March 2024.

Scott Schnettler Town Clerk