

Town of Merton
PO Box 128
North Lake, WI 53064
Minutes of January 13, 2020

- Meeting Called to Order by Chairman Klink @ 6:30 pm
- Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Klink
- Minutes of December 2 & December 23, 2019. A motion was made to approve minutes by Morris/Fleming

Present: Chairman Klink, Supervisors Herrick, Olson, Morris and Fleming, Attorney Chapman, Highway Superintendent Griffin and Clerk Hann.

Absent: Treasurer Kempen.

Also, in attendance: Melissa Thompson, Andy Knitt, Jon & Alex Spheeris, Holly Heard, Deputy Sykes

Citizen Comments and Concerns: Andy Knitt, W336N6678 Prairieview Court addressed the town board on Western Lakes Fire and the Stone Fire Station.

Old Business:

Consider/Act on the lease for Stone Bank Park to Lake Country Lions. Attorney Chapman reviewed the lease agreement and the updates made by staff. The Lions club has not reviewed the lease agreement as a group yet. Attorney recommended that if the board approves the lease it should be noted that Club has not formally acted on the Lease yet. Fleming recommended to wait to see if the Lions Club had any changes. Highway Superintendent asked for clarification on the tree line and what the town maintains. Klink stated that this will be postponed until the next meeting.

New Business:

Consider/Act on request from Valley Rod & Gun Club for 11th Annual Ice Fishing Jamboree - Lake Keesus on February 8, 2020 and for 10th Annual Chicken Shoot on March 21, 2020. A motion to approve the Valley Rod & Gun Club for 11th Annual Ice Fishing Jamboree and the 10th Annual Chicken Shoot was made by Fleming/Olson. Motion carried.

Consider/Act on 2020 Mileage Rate. Clerk Hann presented the new 2020 mileage rate. A motion to accept the 2020 Mileage Rate was made by Morris/Herrick. Motion carried.

Consider/Act on Request for No parking or Standing During School Hours on Grace Drive. Attorney Chapman after talking to Highway Superintendent Griffin stated that that our current code states that you cannot park if there is a sign. Melissa Thompson from Swallow School was present for questions. Morris asked about the number of signs which would be four signs. A motion to post no parking or standing during school hours signs on Grace Drive was made by Fleming/Olson. Motion carried.

Consider/Act on the November 6, 2019 Plan Commission Recommendation to Approve The Preserve at Beaver Lake Preliminary Plat Residential Cluster Development per Ordinance Chapter 17.59. Chairman Klink stated that this is a preliminary approval. John Spheeris stated that this is just preliminary. A motion to approve the Preserve at Beaver Lake Preliminary Plat Residential Cluster Development per Ordinance Chapter 17.59 was made by Morris/Olson. 4 yes 1 opposed. Motion carried.

Consider/Act on Merton Fire Department Ambulance Purchase. Chief Paral present the information on the new Ambulance for the Merton Fire Department. Discussion followed on the shared money from the Merton Fire Department. Morris asked about the chassis being remounted in the future. A motion to approve the Merton Fire Department Ambulance Purchase was made by Morris/Fleming. 4 yes 1 opposed Motion carried.

Update on the Fire Station in Stone Bank from Western Lakes. Chief Bowen from Western Lakes shared with the board the transition that took place on December 31, 2019 at the Stone Bank Fire Station and that everything has been going very smoothly. He also updated the board on the staffing at the station on and testing of address and equipment with Waukesha County Dispatch.

Consider/Act on Change of Agent for Carl Schurz Memorial Park. Clerk Hann stated that there was a change of Agent for the Liquor License for Carl Schurz Memorial Park and that the Town Board would have to approve that change. A motion to approve John Thusius as the Agent for Carl Schurz Memorial Park was made by Herrick/Olson. Motion carried.

Clerk, Board, Highway and Attorney Reports - Clerk Hann stated that the lighting update to led lights had started at the townhall and the highway department. Roof work as start and we have post information on the website to let the residents. The town has collected over 12 million in real estate taxes and 94,000 in refunds for overpayment of escrow checks. There is a primary on February 18, 2020. Morris talked about the next Waukesha County Unit meeting on Wednesday, January 22,2020. Highway Superintendent Griffin talked about the outdoor lighting improvement. Attorney Chapman asked for Andy Knitt to submit any question that he has and he will address them. Klink stated that there was a staff meeting this morning.

Operator's Licenses - A motion to approve the operator's license for McBride was made by Herrick/Olson. Motion carried.

Vouchers as Presented - A motion to approve the vouchers as presented was made by Morris/Fleming. Motion carried.

Adjourn - A motion to adjourn was made by Fleming/Herrick. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Donna Hann, Town Clerk

Notice is hereby given that a majority of the Town Board or Plan Commission may be present at the above scheduled meeting(s) to gather information about a subject over which they have decision-making responsibility.