

Town of Merton
Town Board Meeting
Minutes of January 24, 2022

- Meeting Called to Order by Chairman Klink @ 6:30 pm
- Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Klink
- Minutes- Minutes of January 10, 2022. A motion was made to approve the minutes was made by Morris/Olson. Motion carried.

Present: Chairman Klink, Supervisors Herrick, Olson, Fleming and Morris, Highway Superintendent Griffin, Treasurer Kempen and Clerk Hann. Absent: Attorney Murn.
Also, in attendance: James Paulsen, Bob Cull, Roberta Thompson, Mark Thompson, Dawn Bojarski, Erin Leidel, Jim Spyers-Duran.

Citizen Comments and Concerns: None.

Old Business:

Consider/Act on any updates on 2022 Merton Fire Department Contract. Clerk Hann received a new contract from Merton Chief on January 21, 2022 which was review by Attorney Murn. Chairman Klink stated that he had signed the contract from the December 29, 2021 special meeting pending the Merton Fire Department accepting it. A motion to approve the lasted updated contract agreement with the recent attachments to the 2022 Merton Fire Department was made by Morris/Olson. Merton Fire Department President Bob Cull stated the he would like to take the contract to the Fire Board meeting on Thursday, January 27. Clerk Hann stated that the contracts would be ready for him at the end of tonight's meeting. Motion carried.

Consider and Act on approving the resolution for the Cooperative Plan between the Town of Merton and the Town of Oconomowoc. Chairman Klink reviewed the plan and the Town has not received any comments from the public hearing. A motion to approve the Cooperative Plan Resolution between the Town of Merton and the Town of Oconomowoc was made by Fleming/Olson. Motion carried.

New Business:

Consider/Act on setting 2022 mileage rate @ 58.5 cents. Clerk Hann presented the new mileage rate to the board. A motion to approve setting the 2022 mileage rate @ 58.5 cents a mile was made by Herrick/Morris. Motion carried.

Consider/Act on Outdoor Event Permit for Valley Rod & Gun Club on February 5, for the 13th Annual Ice Fishing Jamboree. A motion to approve the Outdoor Event Permit for Valley Rod & Gun Club on February 5 was made by Fleming/Herrick. Motion carried.

Consider/Act on Outdoor Event Permit for Valley Rod & Gun Club on March 26, for the 11th Annual Chicken Shoot. A motion to approve the Outdoor Event Permit for Valley Rod & Gun Club on March 26 was made by Fleming/Herrick. Motion carried.

Discussion on Bark River Cemetery and Cemetery Lot Prices. Clerk Hann stated that Planner Haroldson was reviewing the current fees that are being charged on the Cemetery Lots for the Cemetery that the Town took over a few years ago. She is recommending review that option on updating those fees. Clerk Hann will review costs of lots in the area and bring the information back to the board.

Discussion on New Park Committee for Town Owned Parks. Clerk Hann talked about forming a new park committee for Town of Merton. There was a meeting with Stone Bank Lions Club. Chairman Klink stated that would help with the back on force The committee would be made up of organizations that run town owned parks, town staff and board members to help determine improvements that are needed to be made in those parks. Chairman Klink stated that this will be coming back for future discussion.

Clerk, Board, Highway, Treasurer and Attorney Reports. Highway Superintendent Griffin talked about the Infrastructure Bill from the State and is working on that. He also talked about the delay in ordering equipment and the plow truck would be out at least a year and will bring more information to the board if we should order earlier. Supervisor Morris stated that there is a Waukesha County Unit Town Association meeting on January 26 at the Lisbon Fire Department and training offered thru the Towns Association. Superintendent Herrick stated construction at the Library is delayed because they are waiting for supplies. Clerk Hann talked about tax exempt forms being sent out and the options of charging a fee to process and will bring it back to the board. She also talked about charging a fee when issuing refund checks when double payments are received for real estate tax payments it is a lot of work to issue all these refunds. Chairman Klink talked about a meeting with the Village of Merton to talk about the cost of the Merton Fire's Department.

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

Budget Amendments Resolution as Presented - Treasurer reviewed the resolution with the budget amendments for the Board. Supervisor had a question on the adjustment for the bridge aid. A motion to approve the budget amendments per the resolution as presented was made by Morris/Herrick.

Roll Call Vote

Tim Klink	yes
Jim Fleming	yes
Dick Morris	yes
Jim Olson	yes
Don Herrick	yes

Motion carried.

Library Budget Amendments Information Only. Treasurer Kempen showed the board the Town Hall Library Budget Amendments. This was for information only and no action needs to be taken by the Town Board. Supervisor Morris asked if the library was staying within the funds from the town and Treasurer Kempen clarified yes.

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

Respectfully Submitted
Donna Hann, Town Clerk