

Town of Merton
Town Board Meeting
Minutes of August 14, 2023

- Meeting Called to Order by Chairman Klink @ 6:30 pm
- Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Klink
- Minutes- Minutes of July 24, 2023. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Herrick/Olson. Motion carried.

Present: Chairman Klink, Supervisors Herrick, Olson, Fleming and Morris, DPW Director Griffin, Treasurer Kempen and Clerk Hann. Absent: Attorney Murn.
Also, in attendance: Lake Patrol Chief Gondek, Asst Chief Busateri.

Citizen Comments and Concerns: None.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

Consider/Act on Certified Survey Map to combine two parcels into one parcel of 3.93 acres, zoned B-2 Business District, N55W29505 Cty Road K, Hartland, WI, as requested by Joe Reuteman/Mid-City Properties LLC. TAX KEYS MRTT 0425-983 & MRTT 0425-989. Approved by Plan Commission on June 7, 2023. Chairman Klink reviewed the CSM for the board and that the parcels had to be combined for a new structure to be added. A motion to approve the CSM to combine two parcels into one parcel as requested by Joe Reuteman/Mid-City Properties LLC. TAX KEYS MRTT 0425-983 & MRTT 0425-989 was made by Herrick/Olson. Motion carried.

Consider/Act On Outdoor Event Permit for Car Show @ Stone Bank Community Park on August 27 from 7 am to 6 pm. A motion to approve the outdoor event permit for a Car Show at Stone Bank Community Park was made by Herrick/Fleming. Motion carried.

Discussion and Possible Action on repair of Envinrude Motor for Lake Patrol. Lake Patrol Chief Doug Gondek stated that the Envinrude Motor went down the day of Okauchee Tie Up and took it in for repair. It needs a new oil pump. He found out that since Envinrude was taken over by another company they are no longer making parts for this motor and it would take 8 months the get an oil pump. Gondek talked to numerous place and they all stated they would not put money into this motor and maybe look at something new because it is going to be a problem of getting parts for this motor going forward. Chief Gondek did get some information for the board on new motors. Discussion followed. The board instructed Chief Gondek not to fix the Envinrude trade it in if we can and to find out information on a warranty costs for each of the motor that he got information. A motion to not repair the Envinrude Motor was made by Herrick/Fleming. Motion carried.

Discussion on future Police Patrol Service Contract. A written contract with the Town of Oconomowoc for future police patrol was reviewed by the board. Chairman Klink

stated that Waukesha County will still be providing service to the Town of Merton. The town is looking at having the Town of Oconomowoc Police provide the extra service for one shift seven days which is more than what the Town of Merton is getting now with the extra contract. A finalized contract will be brought back to the board. Clerk Hann will contact the Town of Oconomowoc for the finalized details.

Discussion on Staff Recommendation of AARP funds and Possible Action. Treasurer Kempen reviewed options for the board to approve projects for the remaining AARP funds. DPW Director Griffin recommended that since the Town owns several parks in the town and the organizations that run the parks might have plans for those parks however coming up with funds for those planned improvements is difficult. He recommends giving funds to them with the restriction that it is for new improvements which would be approved by the park board. Treasurer Kempen talked about using funds to improve the parking lots in each of the parks. Treasurer Kempen recommended using the remaining balance to reduce the amount of borrowing for the town capital projects. Discussion followed. The park improvements would have to be done by August 2024. A motion was made to move forward with the recommendations and let the parks know the funds are available, reduce the borrowing, improve the parking lots at the park by Morris/Herrick. Discussion followed concerning funds already given to Monches Park. Clerk Hann will have to review that previous meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Consider/Act on 2023 Road Program Payment to Stark Pavement Corp. A motion to approve the payment to Stark Pavement was made by Herrick/Morris. Motion Carried.

Consider/Act on Purchase of New Computer for Town Hall. Clerk Hann stated that we still have funds available for the CARES program and would like to use that to purchase a new computer for the Deputy Clerk who has been having problems with her computer. That desk top would then be used by the Lake Patrol and the Town of Oconomowoc Police for next year. A motion to approve the purchase of a new computer was made by Herrick/Olson. Motion carried.

Clerk, Board, Highway, Treasurer and Attorney Reports. DPW Director Griffin commented on a grant the Town of Merton will be receiving from the State of Wisconsin for the Stone Bank Road Bridge. He stated it was a joint effort with all the departments, Strand Engineering & SEH Engineering. Chairman Klink stated that he received a letter from Western Lakes on the concern of the communication center with Waukesha County. Supervisor Morris stated he was at a meeting with Waukesha County Emergency Management and that they are having a problem with staffing. Clerk Hann stated that Tall Pines has saved the date for September 23 for the completion of their Mason Creek Project.

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

Quarterly Budget to Actual Report - A motion to approve the quarterly budget to actual report was made by Herrick/Fleming.

Quarterly Journal - A motion to approve the quarterly journal report was made by Herrick/Morris. Motion carried.

Adjourn - A motion to adjourn was made by Fleming/Herrick. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Donna Hann, Town Clerk