

Town of Merton
Town Board Meeting
Minutes of October 9, 2023

- Meeting Called to Order by Chairman Klink @ 6:30 pm
- Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Klink
- Minutes- Minutes of September 25, 2023. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Fleming/Morris. Motion carried.

Present: Chairman Klink, Supervisor Olson, Fleming and Morris, DPW Director Griffin, Attorney Murn, Treasurer Kempen and Clerk Hann. Absent: Supervisors Herrick

Also, in attendance: Michelle Gibbs, Jeff Smith, Mark Adams, John Marchek, Bryon Altrentner, Maureen McBroom, Scott Rohlffs, Micheal Schulze, Shawn & Jennifer Hofstetter, Jean Schlidt, Liz Tobolt, Doug & Meg Haag.

Citizen Comments and Concerns:

Michael Schulze talked about concerns of wake board surfing on the lakes. Chairman Klink stated that the North Lake Management District has done a lot of research on this topic with the DNR. Clerk Hann stated that the Lake Keesus Management District was going to be having a talk on this topic at their annual meeting coming up this month. Liz Tobolt asked about the board to review the fire fees for farmers.

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Consider/Act on Resolution Establishing the Annual Charge per residential unit for Solid Waste and Recycling Collection Fee. Clerk Hann reviewed the calculation for Solid Waste and Recycling Collection Fee which included given the dividend credit to the residents. The new fee will be \$296.58. Chairman Klink stated that it should be noted that the dividend is not guaranteed, however the town will try and give that credit back to the residents. A motion to approve the resolution to establish the annual charge per residential unit for solid waste and recycling collection fee of \$296.58 was made by Morris/Olson. Motion carried.

New Business:

Consider/Act on Ordinance No 3.16 Annual Fire Protection Service Fee. Clerk Hann presented the new, Ordinance No. 3.16 Annual Fire Protection Service Fee, to the Town Board. A motion to approve Ordinance No 3.16 Annual Fire Protection Service Fee was made by Morris/Fleming. Motion carried.

Discussion/Act on Resolution to Establishing the Written Fee Schedule for Fire Protection Service on the 2023 Tax Bill for 2024 Budget. Clerk Hann reviewed the calculation that will be used to establish the fee schedule. Attorney Murn asked about the acres of out lots and to make sure not to double charging. There was also a concern on out lots of subdivisions. Clerk Hann reviewed a cemetery to see how the cost would be calculated and how some of the farmers would be charged. Chairman

Klink stated that we can table item or we can establish a fee with the idea that if adjustments need to be made that could be looked at down the road. Supervisor Morris asked if the calculation could be adjusted every year. Attorney Murn stated that the fee can be adjusted by the board on a yearly basis. Clerk Hann stated the town does have a policy that if a fee is questioned by a resident, the resident can make a request to the town board to review the charges. Supervisor Morris stated that we should accept fee schedule as written and we might have to modified if we need to. A motion to approve the written fee schedule as present on the 2023 tax bill for the 2024 budget was made by Olson/Fleming. Motion carried.

Consider/Act on Canceling October 23, 2023 Board Meeting. Chairman Klink stated that many of the board members and staff will be the town convention October 23 and wanted to let the public know that the next meeting will be cancelled. A motion to cancel the October 23, 2023 Board Meeting was made by Fleming/Olson. Motion carried.

Clerk, Board, Highway, Treasurer and Attorney Reports.

DPW Director Griffin reported the highway department has been out mowing and attended a LRIP meeting. The chevy truck is out for bid and the mower will be listed shortly. Morris reported that Waukesha County is working on the budget process. Treasure Kempen talked about the budget to actual and scheduling budget workshop to finish reviewing the 2024 budget.

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

Quarterly Budget to Actual - A motion to approve the budget to actual was made by Morris/Olson. Motion carried.

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

Adjourn - A motion to adjourn was made by Morris/Olson. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Donna Hann, Town Clerk