(DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED AT THE JULY 17, 2023 MEETING)

Meenon Town Board

Meeting Minutes

June 19, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Chairman Sybers.

The meeting was posted in accordance with W. Stats. 19.84 Open Meeting Law.

Public Comments: Mr. Albrecht was present to ask questions about what has been going on in the township, he is away during part of the year and was catching up. He asked if Oakland and Meenon were using the same lawyer for the new building and if we were he was wondering if that was a conflict of interest. Mr. Albrecht was told that we are using the same legal office, but different lawyers and that Oakland was also using an additional lawyer. Mr. Albrecht was also wondering if the campground moratorium was over and if so, who approves campgrounds. Mr. Bill Johnson mentioned that the traffic going east bound from 35 to Krueger to Pike Bend was quite heavy and was also wondering if a 4-way stop could be put up on Midtown and Kruger. Sybers mentioned that the bushes on K. Bruss’ property on the corner of Midtown and Kruger will be trimmed. Permission from the homeowner was granted. Mr. Johnson also asked if it would be possible to get the DNR to check on Pike Lake during the 4th, they have had problems.

Approval of agenda order: Motion by O’Brien to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Strese. Motion carried.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 17, 2023.

No police report.

Jason Towne from Burnett County Land Office was present to discuss RR-RC Residential Recreational-Recreational Commercial District and C-1 Commercial District. He handed out some information on what is to be considered in each category and indicated that we should contact him with any questions or concerns.

Whitetail Wilderness Campground – Mike and Jean Waltzing and Mark Krause were present to see if any changes had been made with their request. They were told that they need to reapply, and we can then start afresh, which will make it clear to the Board. The County did deny the first application.

LUPC – Land Use Planning Committee – Tim McIntyre and Don Hamilton were present from Oakland’s Land Use Planning Committee to explain to us how their committee works. They had some handouts that were quite useful. Meenon will be looking into starting a committee.

Recycling Control Commission request – information was received from Sheldon Johnson, Executive Director of Northwest Regional Planning Commission. The Recycling Control Commission, serving Burnett and Washburn Counties, is proposing a residential recycling site in the Town of Meenon. After discussion on the matter, O’Brien made the motion to approve the recommended zoning changes requested by the RCC. Seconded by Strese. Motion carried.

Minutes of the May 15, 2023, meeting was presented for approval. On a motion by Strese, seconded by Sybers, the minutes were approved as presented. Motion carried.

The Treasurer’s report was presented for approval. Motion by Sybers to approve the Treasurer’s report, seconded by O’Brien. Motion carried.

Supervisors Reports: O’Brien - spoke with Hopkins about getting a quote to repair the part of Pike Bend Road that is sinking. The bid came in at $54,000.00. Sybers spoke with the Highway department about it, and they said that if we patch it, it will eventually sink again. Crack sealing needs to be completed. Sybers has the following roads that he would like crack sealed: Airport Road, Midtown (old 35 to Leghorn), Corcoran, short road on Leghorn, Stengel Road, and Austin Lake Road. Sybers spoke with Monarch, the old culvert was removed on Moline. Old 35 will be closed from County Road D to North Bass Lake Road while the new culvert is being put in. the cost of the culvert will be our responsibility. There might be some USDA money available. Mansfield Road should be kept track of. Chip sealing will cost between $16,000 - $18,000 per mile. Peterson Road should be paved this year. Should we grind Peterson this year and pave it next year?

Strese – can the police officers be notified to check on County Road D and Old 35? Strese has had some calls from constituents with concerns that people are not stopping at the stop sign which is creating problems.

Chairmans Report: 45 MPH signs have been put up on Midtown Road. Can a road count be done on Pike Bend Road?

Cigarette Licenses were presented for approval. Motion by O’Brien, seconded by Strese to approve the following cigarette licenses: Big Mike’s Outdoor Sport Shop and Yellow River Saloon, LLC. The licenses are for the period of July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024. Motion carried.

Liquor Licenses were presented for approval. Motion by O’Brien, seconded by Strese to approve the following Liquor Licenses: Big Mike’s Outdoor Sport Shop, JAMBS LLC DBA Traders Round A Bout, Fishbowl United Sportsmen’s Club LLC, Midtown Tavern, Yellow River Saloon LLC, and Namro Holdings LLC DBA Whiskey Joes. The licenses are for the period of July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024. Motion carried.

Operator Licenses were presented for approval. Motion by Sybers, seconded by Strese to approve the following Operator Licenses: Heather McPheeters, Diana Adrian, Tamara Buskirk, George Clark, William Lindberg, Jacob Beek, Danielle Eckstrom, Laura Lessard, Muriel Keys, Peggy Orman, Barb Zibell, Alexander Vucicevic, Bruce Maurer, Vanessa Maurer, Randy Chappelear, Sandra Moore, Spencer Daniels, Mark Larson, Julie Packard, Robert Houston, Robyn Belanger, Richard Belanger, Donald Wilson, Yvonne Ness, Jody Larson, Michael Larson

And Richard Shea. Motion Carried. The Operator License for James Owens will be approved when proof of Seller/Buyer Certification has been received. Motion by Sybers, seconded by Strese. Motion carried.

New Town Hall Information: O’Brien will take care of contacting an inspector to inspect the building. It was decided that we should open a separate checking account for the funds. Motion by O’Brien to create a separate account for the town hall loan, seconded by Strese. Motion carried.

Debit Card – Motion by O’Brien to approve getting a debit card for township usage, seconded by Strese. Motion carried.

Motion by O’Brien to pay the monthly bills, seconded by Strese. Motion carried.

Motion by O’Brien to adjourn at 8:27 p.m., seconded by Strese. Motion carried.