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## Meenon Town Board Meeting Minutes August 21, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Sybers. (Supervisor Strese was not present).

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

Public Comments: Ruth Kratzer had information on the STR that she wished to share. She was informed that we have already signed paperwork regarding STR. Bill Johnson asked if it was possible to do something about the speed on Pike Bend Bridge. Sybers asked Chief Thiex if an impromptu speed study could be done on that road.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 18, 2023.

Police Report - Chief Thiex was present to discuss the happenings in Meenon Township. Chief Thiex indicated that they were out checking traffic situations, they had a garbage and junk ordinance issue and a privacy fence on Kruger and 70.

Wagner Surveying was present with 3 items. Vacating the north 310' of Park Street on the plat of Mound Beach. Motion by Sybers to proceed with vacating the north 310' of Park Street as platted, seconded by O'Brien. Motion carried. Maple Terrace - the plat needs to be signed by Sybers, Eytcheson and Mulroy. Plat was signed. Whitetail Wilderness - Motion by O'Brien to deny because this request has been denied and that nothing has changed from before. Sybers seconded the motion so that it could be discussed further. Zoned as RR1, County denied it and so did the Township. Sybers asked for a vote, O'Brien denied, Sybers opposed. The vote did not pass so the question gets defeated. Sybers asked the Clerk to email the County to ask them to put off their decision during their September meeting and the Township will discuss it again in September.

LUPC (Land Use Planning Committee) - Sybers made the motion to appoint 5 members to the LUPC and directed that Committee to schedule their first meeting, seconded by O'Brien.

Short Term Room Tax : 17 out of the 21 Townships have signed the paperwork to be involved with the STR Committee.

Tim Dixon, survey marker. Mr. Dixon was not present we will put on the September agenda.

Northwest Passage has requested a Temporary Class B Picnic License for an event in September, motion by Sybers to approve the License, seconded by O'Brien. Motion carried. Operators Licenses for Ramstrom and Nichole Benjamin were presented for approval and were approved on a motion by Sybers, seconded by O'Brien. Motion carried.

Minutes from the July 17, 2023, meeting was presented for approval. Motion by O'Brien to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Sybers. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report was presented. Motion by O'Brien to approve the Treasurer's report, seconded by Sybers. Motion carried.

Supervisor's Report - nothing at this time.

Chairman's Report - Sybers attended the Towns Association Meeting. We are not eligible for LRIP funds this session, but we should put something in. LRIP has changed, it is now a committee that approves LRIP projects. Sybers is on the committee through the Towns Association. Ambulance report for 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter was received. Meenon had 37 calls with a 9.09-minute response time, we are 4<sup>th</sup> in the County for ambulance calls. 30 air flights in 26 days. 4 members of the new town hall committee worked about 4 hours outside of the building, 6 loads of brush were taken to the dump.

Road Report - Peterson Road will get blacktopped next year. Seal coating and chip sealing is where our money is being spent. Austin Lake Road at the bridge has cracks that have never been filled and some from last year have opened. Some of the roads to be chip sealed are Austin Lake Road to Sand Lake line, Corcorran, Stengel Road, N Bass Lake Road, Mansfield Road, and Midtown from old 35 to Leghorn.

Motion to pay bills by O'Brien, seconded by Sybers. Motion carried.

Motion by Sybers to go to closed into closed session at 7:45 p.m., seconded by O'Brien. Motion carried.

Discussion of town employee compensation. It was suggested that when an elected official is working as a town employee their hourly wage should be \$25.00 per hour. This will be voted on at the next meeting.

Motion by Sybers to return to open session at 8:01 p.m., seconded by O'Brien. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.