



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 9, 2017**

1. **Call Meeting to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Confirmation of Meeting Notice.** The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Heidtke. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The meeting notice was confirmed.
2. **Roll Call.** Chairman Ray Heidtke, Supervisors, Paul Huettl, Dan Kufahl, Robert Hartwig, and Marcy Bishop were present. Also present was Attorney Tim Andringa and Town Clerk Julia Oliver.
3. **Approval of the Agenda.** Motion by Hartwig, seconded by Huettl to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
4. **Approval of the Minutes.** Motion by Bishop, seconded Huettl to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2017 Regular Town Board meeting, the October 16, 2017 Special Joint Village – Town Public Hearing on the Mediated Cooperative Plan, and the October 25, 2017 Special Town Board meeting. Motion carried.
5. **Closed Session pursuant to Wis. Stats. §19.85(1)(g) conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is involved, specifically JTRAA vs. Jackson et al, Case No. 14-CV-897.** Motion by Bishop, seconded by Hartwig to move into closed session. Roll call vote; Huettl – aye, Kufahl – aye, Heidtke – aye, Hartwig – aye, Bishop – aye. Motion carried.
6. **Reconvene into Open Session.** Motion by Huettl, seconded by Bishop to reconvene into open session. Roll call vote; Huettl – aye, Kufahl – aye, Heidtke – aye, Hartwig – aye, Bishop – aye. Motion carried. Open session commenced at 7:09 p.m.
7. **Discussion of resident comments made during the October 16th public hearing or submitted during the twenty day public comment period respecting the Mediated Cooperative Plan between the Town of Jackson and Village of Jackson.** The Supervisors discussed the comments that they heard on October 16th and that have been received in the twenty day comment period, noting they have not heard any points presented that were new or that would cause them to make changes to the current agreement.
8. **Town of Jackson and Village of Jackson Mediated Cooperative Plan, and submission to Department of Administration along with public comments.** Motion by Kufahl, seconded by Bishop to send the Mediated Cooperative Plan along with the public comments, in conjunction with the Village of Jackson, to the Wisconsin Department of Administration. Motion carried without a negative vote.
9. **Resident Comment.** B. Seidel commented on item 7.
10. **Jeff Hartwick – CTH P, well issue.** Hartwick presented a map showing the location of his property relative to the neighboring properties and his proposed well solution. Hartwick explained he has an artisan well and that he has been told that it is important to keep the well head warm and to keep the water flowing. He estimates the well will vent 200 to 500 gallons per day. Hartwick asked Washington County if he could vent into the ditch along CTH P which runs along the front of his property and they have denied his request. Hartwick is negotiating with his neighbors to acquire an easement along the back of their properties so that he can bury a pipe and vent the well over to the ditch on Sherman Road, if the Town will authorize his proposal. Motion by Kufahl, seconded by Huettl to approve the venting of water from the Hartwick artisan well into the Sherman Road ditch adding that the issue may need to be revisited if any problems arise in the winter months. Motion carried without a negative vote.
11. **Certified Survey Map – Jodi Wank – Pioneer Road.** Motion by Hartwig, seconded by Bishop to approve the certified survey map for Jodi Wank subject to the approval by Richfield. Motion carried without a negative vote.

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- 12. Follow up – Crosswind Trails shoulder washout.** No action. Supervisor Hartwig will contact Ron Eickstedt to move forward on a solution.
- 13. Transfer Station – additional employees.** Motion by Bishop, seconded by Huettl to hire Quenton St. George as a transfer station employee. Motion carried without a negative vote.
- 14. Grave opening authorization on October 20, 2017 for Fredrick Goetz and change in plot ownership between family members.** Clerk Oliver reported she authorized a grave opening for the burial of Fredrick Goetz and noted that Mr. and Mrs. Goetz had previously purchased two plots in the Immanuel Cemetery but Mr. Goetz was buried in a different plot due to an exchange between family members. An updated cemetery plot map will be prepared.
- 15. 2018 Budget.** Clerk Oliver provided the Town Board with copies of the proposed wage rates which reflect a 2% increase and the proposed 2018 budget. Oliver reviewed the budget and highlighted a few items in each area. Motion by Kufahl, seconded by Hartwig to approve the 2018 wages as presented. Motion carried without a negative vote. Motion by Kufahl, seconded by Bishop directing Oliver to post the notice for the budget hearing and call the special meeting of the electors to set the levy. Motion carried without a negative vote.
- 16. Approval to place special assessments on the tax roll.** Motion by Huettl, seconded by Bishop approving the placement of the special assessments presented on the 2017 tax roll. Motion carried without a negative vote.
- 17. Treasurer’s Report.** The written report provided by Treasurer Eilbes stated the October 2017 account balances are as follows: General Fund Checking \$143,599.10; General Fund Money Market \$794,684.67; Encumbered Funds-Highway Money Market \$154,816.85; Encumbered Funds-Building Money Market \$39,736.92; Property Tax Checking \$0; Property Tax Money Market \$0; Park and Planning Checking \$5,168.91; Park Fund Savings \$10,297.69; Cemetery Fund \$16,714.82.
- 18. Washington County Sheriff’s Department Report – Liaison Deputy Andrew Meier.** Deputy Meier was excused.
- 19. Washington County Board Report.** Heidtke reported the County Board passed the 2018 budget and after a lengthy discussion has decided to join the lawsuit brought by several Wisconsin Counties against the pharmaceutical companies related to the opioid crisis.
- 20. Highway Department Report.** Heidtke summarized the highway department report provided by Highway Supervisor Eickstedt. Heidtke shared the pricing provided by Jackson Auto to replace the box on truck #14.
- 21. Transfer Station Report.** Huettl reported that Ron Eickstedt has taken over the worker scheduling and things are going well.
- 22. Buildings Report.** Kufahl reported the bid letter for the remodeling project has been sent out, posted and published.
- 23. Noxious Weeds Report.** Bishop had nothing additional to report.
- 24. Grounds Report.** Hartwig reported he did some exterior fall decorating and plans to do a bit more in the fireplace room of the Town Hall.
- 25. Washington County Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee.** Huettl stated he has nothing new to report.
- 26. Chairman’s Report.** Heidtke noted he met with one contractor at the Town Hall regarding the remodeling project.

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27. Clerk's Report. Oliver reported she has received a request from the Village to pay for one-half of the engineering fees for the preparation of legal descriptions used in the mediated agreement. Matt Clementi shared there isn't any news on the awarding of bridge aid.

28. Communications and Announcements. Nothing additional.

29. Review of Bills and Authorization for Payment. Motion by Huettl, seconded by Bishop to approve the vouchers as presented. Motion carried.

30. Adjournment. Motion by Bishop, seconded by Hartwig to adjourn, Motion carried, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Julia Oliver, Town Clerk

Minutes Approved: _____

Next Resolution Number: J-17-003
Next Ordinance Number: J-17-002