

TOWN OF WEST POINT

Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.84, the Town Board of the Town of West Point held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, December 9, 2021 at the West Point Town Hall and via Zoom. The meeting was published in the Lodi Enterprise, the Star News, posted in the three designated places in the Town and on the Town's website.

A motion was made by Karmin Enge to appoint Kevin Kessler as acting Chairman, 2nd by David Lendved – motion carried unanimously.

The Town Board meeting was called to order by Kevin Kessler - 1st Supervisor, at 7:03 p.m. The Town Board members present at the Town Hall were: Kevin Kessler - 1st Supervisor, Scott Earnest - 2nd Supervisor, Karmin Enge - 3rd Supervisor, and David Lendved - 4th Supervisor. Also present were Taffy Buchanan - Town Clerk and Sharon Richmond - Town Treasurer. Absent was Ashley Nedeau-Owen - Town Chairman (excused).

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

A motion was made by Karmin Enge to approve the agenda as presented, 2nd by Scott Earnest – motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Input – none

Copies of the November 11, 2021, Town Board Meeting minutes were emailed to each Town Board member prior to the meeting for their review.

A motion was made by Karmin Enge to approve the November 11, 2021, Town Board Meeting minutes with a spelling correction, 2nd by Scott Earnest - motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Sharon Richmond had prepared and presented the following report: General Fund as of November 30, 2021 - \$505,530.68; Coronavirus Recovery Acct (ARPA Funds) - \$104,234.26; Park Fund \$0.00; Historical Society is \$5,385.09; and Savannah Tree is \$1,708.10 is in a 1-year CD (matures 5/24/22). The Town Treasurer and Town Clerk reconciled the bank accounts for the month of November.

Correspondence – The Town received the Lodi Fire Chief Report dated November 17, 2021. The Town received “draft” minutes from the September 23, 2021 Sauk Prairie Ambulance Commission and Director’s Report. The Town Chair talked with Roger Lippitt about a rock wall he wanted put in to stabilize the bank and the “promenade.” The Town Chair talked with Columbia County because they are requiring David Bartnick to have a shared driveway agreement for his property. Columbia County Land & Water Conservation and Wisconsin DATCP have partnered to offer the 2021-2022 West Point AEA Incentive Program sign up.

The bills were reviewed by each town board member prior to the town board meeting. A copy of the bills, deposits, and budget for 2021 were given to each town board member for their information. A motion was by David Lendved to take \$488.84 from 51301 Misc. Engineer Expenses and move \$99.64 to 51108 Telephone, \$94.16 to 51400A Clerk Retirement, \$0.04 to 51402 Clerk Medicare, and \$295.00 to 51599 Mowing Town Hall and take \$4,949.45 from 53313 Brushing and move \$2,015.08 to 53101 Engineer Roads, \$927.88 to 53314 Mowing, \$800.00 to 53631 Wages Transfer Site, \$49.60 to 53632 FICA Trans Site, \$1145.30 to 53633 Transfer Site Expense, and \$11.59 to 53638 Trans Site Medicare, 2nd by Scott Earnest – motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Scott Earnest to approve the bills as presented, 2nd David Lendved - motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Karmin Enge to authorize the Clerk to pay any budgeted bills received before the end of the year, 2nd by Scott Earnest – motion carried unanimously.

Reports:

Columbia County Report – Doug Richmond reported Columbia County had 12 deaths since October from Covid. Columbia County Health & Human Service reported the drug court & OWI program has a completion rate 80% completion.

Lodi Fire Commission – David Lendved reported they had a meeting November 17, 2021. The City of Lodi has been talking with owners of a couple of potential properties for a new fire station.

Sauk Fire District – no report

Sauk Prairie Ambulance – no report

Lodi EMS Commission – Karmin Enge reported they may get the new chassis in January instead of July for the ambulance that needed to be repaired.

Plan Commission – Kevin Kessler reported the Plan Commission discussed the Shifflet land division and the Liebert CSM which are both on tonight’s agenda.

Transfer Site Report – Taffy Buchanan reported the Transfer Site will not be open on Christmas Day but will be open on New Year’s Day.

Park & Open Space Committee – no report

Broadband Committee – no report

Fish, Crystal, and Mud Lake District/Pumping – no report

A motion was made by Karmin Enge to approve the 2022 Mobile Home licenses for Crystal Lake Park, Pine Vista, and Schoepp’s Cottonwood Resort as presented, 2nd by David Lendved – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Karmin Enge to approve the 2022 Mobile Home for Farm Labor licenses to Gasser Ventures Inc. and Jeff Morter, 2nd by David Lendved – motion carried unanimously.

Kris Lehman, Chairman of the Historical Commission gave the annual report of the Historical Commission / Society. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes.

Jim Grothman, Grothman & Associates, gave a brief presentation of the proposal for the land division for Shifflet Properties LLC, Parcel #11040-164.03. A motion was made by David Lendved the Town Board approve the Initial Application submitted, 2nd by Scott Earnest – motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Karmin Enge to approve a waiver under 6.20 of the Town of West Point Code of Ordinance from the requirements the lots have frontage on a Town Road according to 6.16(D)(5), 2nd by David Lendved – motion carried unanimously. The Town Attorney reported to Kevin Kessler he was fine with the drafted agreements. The Town Engineer reported to Kevin Kessler he felt the bond should be 30% higher than what was in the drafted agreement and that did not include utilities. Steve Stokes stated he had a verbal agreement with Shifflets to support the development

if they were granted an easement, but that has fallen apart, and he believes there is a better stormwater management plan option available and would like the decision to be postponed. Terry Shifflet stated he has a stormwater management plan that was acceptable and approved by the Town Engineer and would like to move forward. Thomas Marquardt wants to make sure the stormwater management is handled appropriately and make sure the plan is a sound plan. Scott Stokes said they had an engineer look at the plan and there would be 1000 truckloads of material has to be moved and that is a lot of material, and he feels sometimes it is better to just wait a little bit and let things resolve before you act. A motion was made by Kevin Kessler to recommend to approve the CSM, Development Agreement, Declaration of Covenants & Restrictions, and a Shared Driveway Agreement, a Stormwater Maintenance Plan, and Developer Agreement in accordance with the Plan Commission's recommendation and the suggested clerical changes to Exhibit "B" be included and the development agreement be amended to reflect an estimated project cost of \$275,000.00 instead of the \$211,000.00 that is currently in the agreement per the Town Engineer's suggestion, 2nd by David Lendved – motion carried unanimously. Kevin Kessler stated the Town's action does not preclude any further discussion or redesign if that is the result of further discussion.

Jim Grothman, Grothman & Associates, presented the proposal for Marty Liebert. Marty Liebert is currently building a house on one lot and would like to build another house close to his home, but only one house can be on a lot so he is proposing a lot-line adjustment so the 2 houses will be on different lots. The parcel currently consists of two lots zoned R-1 Single Family Residential. A motion was made by Kevin Kessler to approve the CSM for a lot-line adjustment between Lots 1 & 2 with Lot 2 having deed covenant restricting it to one more possible division, contingent of the Town Attorney receiving an acceptable shared driveway agreement and deed covenant, 2nd by Karmin Enge – motion carried unanimously.

The work on Unke & Schoepp Road is complete and Town Chair approved the opening of the North / South portion of Schoepp Road.

Janet & John Evert, W14238 Jensen Drive, lives on the farm her dad had bought in 1940 on Jensen Drive which is a "dead end" road. Janet Evert is very disturbed by the "trimming" the Town hired the County to do. She said there is a huge difference between trimming and cutting, which is what they did. Janet Evert said it is devastating and they cut about 20 trees that were on their property. The County left a huge brush pile on her property, and they said they

would come back in February to burn; and she said they also destroyed a fence while cutting the trees down. She would like the brush pile removed and an apology. Karmin Enge, said she could attest that the trees needed to be trimmed on the corner because a fire truck couldn't have made it up there, but she does not know where the road right of way ends and private property begins. guidance needs to be given on brushing or trimming. Kevin Kessler feels "brushing" and "trimming" may need to be clarified better, since we have had other complaints in the past.

Greimel Road needs a new road sign, it is missing.

"Contract Renewals" was tabled.

"Impact Fees" was tabled.

A motion was made by David Lendved to appoint the presented list of electors to the Election Committee for 2022 and 2023, 2nd by Scott Earnest – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Kevin Kessler to hold the Town Caucus on Thursday January 13, 2022, at 6:30pm with the regular Town Board Meeting immediately following, 2nd by Scott Earnest – motion carried unanimously.

The next regular town board meeting will be on Thursday, January 13, 2022, immediately following the Town Caucus which will start at 6:30pm, on the agenda is: Town roads, contract renewals, impact fees, signage for no parking, and any other business that can be legally added to the agenda.

A motion was made by David Lendved to adjourn the December 9, 2021, Town Board meeting at 9:44pm, 2nd by Scott Earnest – motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted By

Taffy Buchanan

Town Clerk



**WEST POINT AREA HISTORICAL COMMISSION/SOCIETY
ANNUAL REPORT TO THE TOWN OF WEST POINT BOARD
December 9, 2021**

2021

Meetings: Commission – 4 meetings
Society – 7 meetings + Annual Meeting

Programming: None due to COVID.

Projects & News: Calendar. We sold out of 2021 calendars early. Thanks for your support in this project.

Lodi Ag Fair & Old School House: Moved from July to Labor Day weekend. We had 305 visitors: 23 at the children's program

We received two requests for researching family histories: one from the Sisson family and one from the Northrup family. Chris Ryan assisted with these requests.

Facebook page: About 770 regular followers. Up 300 from 2018. The Facebook post of Howard Hartmann at the Lodi Fair pie auction had 1100 hits.

Obituary Project continues

As always, we need stories and pictures for the calendar.

Thank you for your continued support!