

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, August 11, 2022 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.

The Town Board meeting was called to order by Ashley Nedeau-Owen - Town Chairman, at 7:00 p.m. The Town Board members present at the Town Hall were: Ashley Nedeau-Owen - Town Chairman, Kevin Kessler - 1st Supervisor, Scott Earnest - 2nd Supervisor, John Ungrodt - 3rd Supervisor, and David Lendved - 4th Supervisor. Also present were Taffy Buchanan - Town Clerk and Sharon Richmond - Town Treasurer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

A motion was made by Kevin Kessler to approve the agenda as moving "Town Roads" before "Reports," 2nd by John Ungrodt – motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Input – None

Copies of the July 14, 2022 Town Board Meeting minutes were emailed to each Town Board member prior to the meeting for their review. A motion was made by David Lendved to approve the July 14, 2022 Town Board Meeting minutes as presented, 2nd by Scott Earnest - motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Sharon Richmond had prepared and the Clerk presented the following report: General Fund as of July 31, 2022 - \$548,102.13; Coronavirus Recovery Acct (ARPA Funds) - \$208,673.78; Park Fund \$2,727.00; Historical Society is \$5,791.09; and Savannah Tree is \$1,159.38 is in a 1-year CD (matures 5/24/23). The Town Treasurer and Town Clerk reconciled the bank accounts for the month of July.

Correspondence – The Town Chair shared information about the "Rusty Patched Bumblebee" which was spotted in West Point and also information about lawn pesticides. The Town received minutes from the Lodi Fire Commission meeting on June 15, 2022 and a Fire Chief Report dated July 20, 2022.

The bills were reviewed by each town board member prior to the town board meeting. A copy of the bills, deposits, and budget for 2022 were given to each town board member for their information. A motion was made by Kevin Kessler to approve to pay the bills as presented, 2nd David Lendved – motion carried unanimously.

Matthew & Rita Macdonald, presented the certified survey map for a lot-line adjustment at W14252 Selwood Road; they are combining the 2 lots so they can build a house. A motion was made by Kevin Kessler to approve the CSM for a lot-line adjustment as presented, 2nd by David Lendved – motion carried unanimously.

Mike Zaucha made a requested for N2280 Old Sauk Road, Lodi, parcel #11040-550. for a variance to Table 12.110.03(2) Minimum Required Setback for Front and Street Side Yards, and Section 12.525.02 Shoreland Setbacks, of the Columbia County Zoning Ordinance. Mike Zaucha would like to tear down the small 3-season home and build a new single-family residence he could live year-round, with limited stairs and increase the current distance between the house and shoreline. The Plan Commission recommended the Town Board recommend to the County to approve the variance based on the unique circumstance: 1. This is an odd shape lot surrounded by water on three sides and the road right-of-way on the other which limits the size of the house; 2. Mike Zaucha would like to retire in this house so he wants to limit the number of stairs for physical ability reasons; 3. They are changing the position from how the current home is positioned to move it further away from the water. A motion was made by Kevin Kessler to recommend to Columbia County Board of Adjustments to approve the variance request as presented and recommended by the Plan Commission, 2nd by Scott Earnest – motion carried unanimously.

The Town received a TRID grant for up to \$257,017.26 which is about 47% of the cost for the North / South section of Schoepp Road. Fill for in the 100-year floodplain was not included in the plan; the current engineer is working with the DNR on what might be needed. The DNR said any fill that is put into the 100-year flood plain that amount needs to be taken out in another area of the 100-year flood plain. The engineer and Town Chair has been discussing options with some landowners in the flood plain so the Town can move forward on this project.

The Town Chair had the County remove a tree on Chrislaw Road. The Town Chair will ask the County to fix a wash out area on Rausch Road by Four Season Lane.

Reports:

Columbia County Report – Doug Richmond reported Columbia County has seen a large spike in overdoses in the last month. He will be asking the Health and Human Services department for a “Narcans box” to keep at the Town Hall so people renting the facility has access to it in cases of emergency.

Lodi Fire Commission – David Lendved reported Engine 11 arrived July 29, 2022. They are working on an IGA for the Fire Commission that hopefully everyone can agree to. There will be a meeting on August 17, 2022 at 5:00pm that they would like at least the Town Chairs and Mayor of each municipality to attend.

Sauk Fire District – no report

Sauk Prairie Ambulance – no report

Lodi EMS Commission – no report

Plan Commission – Kevin Kessler reported the Plan Commission recommended approval of the Macdonald CSM and recommended approval of the variances for Mike Zaucha.

Transfer Site Report – Ashley Nedeau-Owen reported Tom Dettman spread the pea gravel that was dropped off by the company that swept Selwood subdivision.

Park & Open Space Committee – David Lendved said they elected Frank Cook as chair of the Committee. They will have a meeting on Monday August 15, 2022 at 7:00pm.

Broadband Committee – no report

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

The Town Chair after talking with Kenneth Theile from Columbia County, put together a replanting plan for a tree that was removed between parcel #11040-711.01 & 11040-650.01. The Town Clerk will send it to the County.

A motion was made by Ashley Nedeau-Owen to appoint Diane Kazmierczak to the Historical Commission, 2nd by David Lendved – motion carried unanimously.

The next regular town board meeting will be on Thursday, September 8, 2022, at 7:00pm, on the agenda is: Town roads, Commission & committee appointments, and any other business that can be legally added to the agenda.

A motion was made by David Lendved to adjourn the August 11, 2022, Town Board meeting at 9:15pm, 2nd by John Ungrodt – motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted By
Taffy Buchanan
Town Clerk