

TOWN OF EMPIRE
Monthly Meeting
June 12, 2024

Board Chair James Pierquet called the monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Empire to order at 7:30 pm on Wednesday, June 12, 2024, at the Empire town hall. Notice and agenda of this meeting was sent to the Town's official newspaper, the Reporter, and a copy is on file with the Town Clerk.

Present at the meeting were Richard Julka and Ted Halbur, Supervisors, Scott Schnettler, Town Clerk, Gail Schindelholz, Treasurer, Mike Morgan, Deputy Clerk, Peter Becker, Permit Insurer, Tom Schindelholz, Trish Schnettler, Jim Daleiden, Jim Shepard, David Grahl, Jason Guelig, Joe Ziegler, Doug Hoerth, and Taylor Noe.

Chair Pierquet called the meeting to order and announced that a quorum was present.

On a motion by Julka, seconded by Halbur, the minutes of the May 2024 monthly meeting were approved.

The first order of business was to have David Grahl to present the proposed building plans for the JP Grahl property located W3754 Maple Rd. David answered questions presented by board members. David stated that the driveway would also provide field access. David plans include a possible detached garage towards the front of the property. The Board did not see any issues with David's presentation and Chair Pierquet approved David Grahl's request. Chair Pierquet stated that The Town will have their legal staff look at all of the paper work and listen to their recommendation.

The second order of business was Jason Guelig to discuss his property located at W4368 and W4370 Hwy 23. Guelig stated that he will be moving his operation 300 feet out of the shoreland zoning area. Joe Ziegler spoke on Guelig's behalf. Ziegler presented a brief history on the property and possible future plans for the property. Ziegler also stated that as a citizen and customer of Guelig's he would support granting Guelig a permit to allow crushing on a temporary status with a review possibly every 5 years. The Board is looking at reviewing after one year, if a permit is granted. Chair Pierquet granted Guelig permission to move the piles out of The Shoreland Zoning on to the space that he described during his presentation.

Next order of business was to consider / act on the Class B beer & liquor licenses for The Hive and Red Cabin at Green Acres. Clerk Schnettler stated that he has received all of the required documentation from Red Cabin at Green Acres, and still waiting on a couple pieces from the Hive. Supervisor Julka made a motion to authorize the Class B Liquor License for Red Cabin at Green Acres and The Hive. Supervisor Halbur seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.

Next order of business was to review and possibly approve Certified Survey Map for Gary L. Boyke & Rose A. Boyke, part of the southwest 1/4 & southeast 1/4 of the southwest 1/4, section 19, township 15 north, range 18 east, Town of Empire, Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin. Excel Engineering informed Taylor Noe that the parcel of land is in the City's growth plan. The would be working with the city for approval. The belief of the Town Board is that it is not in the growth plan.

Permit Issuer Becker wanted to give the Board a heads up. He was contacted by a contractor for what was the Town's procedure for changing of contractor on a project that had already been started. Becker explained his process. Permitting is pretty slow.

Supervisor Halbur had nothing to state.

Supervisor Julka stated that the Town of Eden purchased their own mower so they will no longer need the Town of Empire to do it. Vir-Clar farms had struck a sewer riser in the Lake Deneveu Sanitary District. Baumhardt is going to do the repairs and Vir-Clar is going to be financially responsible.

Chair Pierquet stated that he had not heard anything on the possible drainage issue at Ridgeview Court in the Hilltop subdivision. Chair Pierquet also has a call into Alex but has not returned his call. We will be getting a bill from the County for having a culvert cleaned on Creek Road. Pine Road will be a project for 2025. Chair had discussions with Baumhardt.

Clerk Schnettler stated that a resident from Deneveu Lane had a concern about their ditch being too steep and eroding. After conversation with John Meier and going to the property. It was determined that there was nothing that the Town could do. The resident asked if they could fill in the ditch. I stated that the ditch is there to provide drainage for the road and if they filled it in they could be held responsible for any road repairs. The horse located on the property on Grandview zoned R-1. The owner called me and stated that they are trying to determine if they are going to keep the horse on their property or have it boarded. June 1st they sent me an email stating that it will be removed from the property. June 12th the horse could be seen on the property. Delmore completed the 6' - 20' culvert survey. There are 11 culverts we will pay Delmore \$1100 getting reimbursed from the state at a later date. James Pfulm is resigning from Sanitary District #1. Chair Pierquet stated that a replacement has been found.

Deputy Clerk Mike Morgan gave a financial report with rounded numbers. Clerk and Deputy Clerk are going to look into possible short-term loan.

Bills were approved and paid.

On a motion by Julka, seconded by Halbur, all in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 8:48p.m.



Scott Schnettler
Town Clerk

These minutes were taken at a meeting of the Town of Empire Board held on June 12, 2024, and entered in this record book this 15th day of July 2024.



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