

TOWN OF EMPIRE
Monthly Meeting
August 14, 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, August 14, 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, Amy Ries, Tom Schindelholz, Trish Schnettler, and Jim Daleiden.

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 July 2024 monthly meeting were approved.

The first order of business was a presentation from Amy Ries Director of Agriculture Programs from Envision Greater Fond du Lac. Amy stated that there were 4421 breakfasts served during the Breakfast on the Farm at Abel Dairy's June 23rd. She thanked everybody that may of have anything to do with the event. Evison Greater Fond du Lac has many services that they offer to entire Fond du Lac County. Entrepreneurs' programs that help create business plans; offer classes for startups the classes can be found on the websites event calendar. They have recently hired a work force specialist that assists with high school students learn about different career opportunities in the county. They also have a specialist that is a works with business expansion and retention. Envision offers technical assistance for entrepreneurs. A program that is entering its second year is POP 101 (Public Office Preparation). This program is to assist individuals interested in running for public office. More information about these services can be found on their website. Amy stated that they are seeking support from the Townships, asking for \$100 donation to Envision Greater Fond du Lac to help assist with providing these services.

The second order of business is to reset our Board of Review meeting. The tentative date was September 5, 2024. There have been some conflicts; one there is a county meeting on that date and two; our reevaluation won't be completed in time. The Board decided to have the Board of Review Thursday September 19, 2024 5:00pm - 7:00pm.

Permit Issuer Becker had nothing to report. Chair Pierquet stated that the last two houses that are being built on Hilltop we are keeping their \$1000 road bond for each of them.

Chair Pierquet stated that Overland Heights will have a flashing sign installed by the County. The county will also trim some tress. The county will bill the Town of Empire then the Town is to submit the bill to Overland Heights HOA for reimbursement. Fond du Lac County is considering reconstructing Fourth Street Road next year. One of their proposals is to remove the bridge on Grandview Road north of Fourth Street Road. Chair Pierquet stated that the residents in the area should be notified by a letter.

Supervisor Halbur nothing to state.

Supervisor Julka stated we should add increasing our road bond and the performance bond to next months agenda. Supervisor Julka reached out to the HOA for Overland Heights about putting stop signs at the intersection of Overland Trail and Ledge top. They stated that the topic was discussed but no actions or motions were made.

Deputy Clerk Morgan stated that Safebuilt claims that the Town of Empire is operating under a 1998 fee schedule for our permits. Safebuilt would like to discuss our price schedule. Mike would like to add our permit schedule to next month's agenda.

Clerk Schnettler stated that a sex offender will be reintroduced back into the Town of Empire. The individual was a resident at the time of the offense. There are some training opportunities from the WTA September 18th in Fond du Lac. Next 10 Year Comprehensive Plan meeting has been moved to October 10th 6:30pm Empire Town Hall. Reminder bulk pick-up October 10th and 11th. Harter's is working on getting the individuals with extra refuse and or recycling bins to be billed directly. Previously it was just added to the Town's overall bill.

Tom Schindelholz stated that the Town of Empire sign measures 14.6 sq. ft.

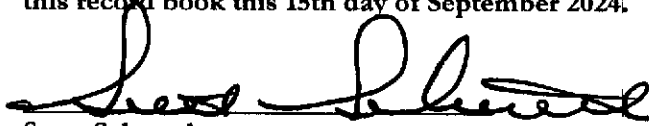
Bills were approved and paid.

On a motion by Julka, seconded by Halbur, all in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 8:24p.m.



Scott Schnettler
Town Clerk

These minutes were taken at a meeting of the Town of Empire Board held on August 14, 2024, and entered in this record book this 15th day of September 2024.



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