

Medary Town Board – Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 13, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Medary Town Board was held on Tuesday, September 13, 2016, at the Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Chairperson Linda Seidel. Board members present: Supervisor 1 Bob Keil, Supervisor II Michael Weibel, Treasurer Mary Hofer, and Clerk Susan Miller.

Also in attendance were the following: Joe Hengel, Steve Elsen, Rob Mattingley, Tom Brown, Peter Gutierrez and Warren Weitzman.

Approval of August 16, 2016 Regular Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

Motion: Bob Keil to approve the minutes from the August 16, 2016, regular monthly board meeting. Second Mike Weibel.

All aye. Said minutes were approved and placed on file.

Approval of August 16, 2016 Special Board Meeting Minutes

Motion: Mike Weibel to approve the minutes from the August 16, 2016, special board meeting. Second Bob Keil.

All aye. Said minutes were approved and placed on file.

Peter Gutierrez on Drainage Problem at N4645 Timbercrest

Peter Gutierrez lives at the top of Timbercrest East, and he says there's a fair amount of water that comes in his driveway. At the top of the driveway, he'd like to create a raised berm so he can minimize the water coming in. Tom Brown would like to come out to the property when they're closer to construction time to finalize where things are going to go.

Gutierrez also has safety concerns about the exit off Highway 16 into the Timbercrest area. Mike Weibel mentioned that he should contact Tom Faella, director of the La Crosse Area Planning Committee with these concerns.

Motion: Linda Seidel to tentatively approve the berm at the end of the driveway at N4645 Timbercrest East, with the agreement that the board will visit it prior to construction, and Peter Gutierrez will call Tom Brown. Second Bob Keil.

All aye.

Joe Hengel on Maple Ridge Addition

Mike Weibel contacted Jason Gillman, city planner, who said the issue of revenue sharing would have to be addressed in boundary agreements between the city and the town. It seems the Maple Ridge addition was denied based on the idea that people build outside of La Crosse and then come in and use city facilities without paying anything to support those services. The decision appeared to have no legal basis. Three council members spoke up in favor of the addition. The council didn't address any of the criteria contained in the City's Extra Territorial Plat Review ordinance but instead wants to use the plat

review as leverage to bring the Town to some sort of boundary agreement. The city planning office recommended approval.

Mike Weibel suggests Joe Hengel have an attorney look into the matter. Mike also suggests Hengel and the attorney watch the June 9, 2016 common council video of the meeting regarding the Maple Ridge Addition found on the City of La Crosse web site.

Road Repair Proposal Review and Approval

Tabled until next meeting, as we still do not have the proposal in hand.

Town Lawnmower

Lawnmower was “fixed,” but when Bob Keil went to pick it up, it wouldn’t start. The hangers for the deck are so thin, they can’t weld on it. It would cost \$500 to fix. There’s a man at Tractor Central who would take the lawnmower off our hands and pay the current bill of \$168.

Motion: Linda Seidel moves to have the town lawnmower disposed of by the mechanic at Tractor Central who has offered to pay the current bill of \$168. Second Bob Keil.

All aye.

The board discussed the purchase of a new lawnmower. The mower should have at least a 46” deck. There is \$1742 available in the town hall maintenance budget currently to purchase a mower.

Motion: Linda Seidel to approve purchase of a new 46” (or larger) mower for Town Hall with an expenditure not to exceed \$1700. Second Bob Keil. Supervisor Weibel will follow through on getting prices and making purchase.

All aye.

Town Brushmower

The town brushmower has been breaking down. The tractor itself is fine, and the motor runs well. The head, though, is stressing the frame. Mike Weibel thinks we should have maintenance done on the tractor and mower/head. The head will go to St. Joseph’s, and the tractor will go to Tractor Central. They should go over them and do a complete maintenance overhaul so the brushmower is ready to go next year.

Approval of Payment to Brian Crowley for Actual Cost of Repairs to Stormwater Catch Basin Located at N3746 Scenic Drive

Brian Crowley did an excellent job on this repair. It looks great!

Motion: Linda Seidel to approve bill submitted for the cost of repairs to stormwater catch basin located at N3746 Scenic Drive totaling \$633.14. Second Michael Weibel.

All aye.

Set Date for Annual Budget Meeting

The board marked the calendar for the annual budget meeting on October 13 at 3 pm.

Road Matters and Citizen Concerns

1. We received a letter and two photos from Mr. Robert Johns, who lives on Rim of the City Rd. One photo shows lawn damage, the other shows road erosion. He mentioned that the road erosion needs repair before it gets worse. He also suggested prohibiting parking on the road 24/7, as well as putting the street sign in concrete. He mentioned that the No Parking signs in the cul de sac are pushing the cars back so people park in front of his house. The Board suggested that we could put gravel in the cul-de-sac to prevent erosion. We can't prohibit parking 24/7. We have tried to replace the sign in various manners (including rebar/concrete), and we put in the No Parking signs so the police would have something to enforce. If people are parking in front of someone's house, residents should call the Sheriff's Department or police for enforcement of the No Parking signs.
2. Bob Keil and Linda Seidel visited Joe LaMothe's property, where wires were cut during weed mowing. LaMothe was also concerned that there were oil drops in his driveway. He said the property was damaged during weed cutting, but Seidel and Keil inspected it and found that it wasn't, and that the oil drops were in the town right of way. The town has offered to pay for repair of the cable/hookups that were damaged.
3. Deerfield Road - Water comes down along the pavement at a quick speed and is eroding the shoulder. Options: Fix it again, cold-mix berm, or take off a couple inches and put cold mix across the whole thing. We want to keep that shoulder in good repair, as we don't want the blacktop to crumble.
4. Tom Brown was asked to build a barrier at the Smith Valley Road catch basin near Goldbeck's. He began work on it, but he found out that you can only fix existing posts and cables; you can't put new ones up because it's a violation of regulations. You can use a guard rail, crash barriers, or just mark it.
5. We also had a call about Pierce Road. The road is currently being handled by the town of Hamilton.

Approve Monthly Bills

Motion: Bob Keil to approve and pay all monthly bills through Tuesday, September 13, 2016. Second Mike Weibel.

All aye.

Meeting Adjourned

Motion: Bob Keil to adjourn. Second Mike Weibel.

All aye.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Miller, Town Clerk