

OTTAWA TOWN BOARD
Meeting Minutes – March 9, 2020

The meeting of the Ottawa Town Board was called to order by Chairman Rupp. Roll call attendance was taken, and Town Supervisors Wiedenman and Jones were present. Supervisors Graham and Smukowski were absent.

Supervisor Jones made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. His motion was seconded by Supervisor Wiedenman and carried.

Supervisor Wiedenman made a motion to approve the Building Inspector's monthly activity report as presented. Supervisor Jones seconded the motion and it carried.

Chairman Rupp announced that the Town will not receive any MLS Grant funding.

Town Planner Sandy Scherer prepared a memorandum for the Town Board, dated March 9, 2020, regarding consideration of Final CSM for Lee Bleecker. It said that the Plan Commission reviewed the Final CSM request for Lee Bleecker on March 2, 2020. The Plan Commission unanimously recommended approval of the Final CSM to the Town Board, subject to the Town Planner and Engineer comments. Planner Scherer recommended the Town Board similarly approve of this Final CSM request.

Supervisor Jones made a motion to approve the Final CSM for Lee Bleecker, including any necessary waivers. His motion was seconded by Supervisor Wiedenman and carried.

Supervisor Wiedenman said that he reached out to John's Disposal, Badgerland Disposal, and Advance Disposal, asking each of them to submit proposals for both Saturday morning drop off of garbage and recyclables at the Town Hall, and curbside collection of garbage and recyclables for Town residents. He had not received any responses. He said that he is supposed to get proposals from John's and Badgerland, but not Advance. Badgerland said that they would do by-weekly recycling pick-up.

2019 budget amendments were presented. Although action was taken previously, to approve amendments that were presented in January and February, a super majority of Board members was not present at those meetings, which is required to take action. Budget amendments were presented again this month, but a super majority of Board members was not in attendance, and no action was taken. Supervisor Jones made a motion to table the budget amendments to the April meeting. Supervisor Wiedenman seconded the motion and it carried.

Supervisor Jones made a motion to remove the Town Emergency Plan from the table. His motion was seconded by Supervisor Wiedenman and carried.

The next item on the agenda was the Town Emergency Plan. There was no information.

Supervisor Wiedneman made a motion to approve Resolution #3-20 - A resolution to rescind and refund certain taxes due to double taxation error pursuant to Section 74.33 of the Wisconsin

Statutes regarding personal property owned by Ottawa Land LLC (O002). His motion was seconded by Supervisor Jones and carried.

Supervisor Jones made a motion to approve Proposed Resolution #3-20B – A resolution to refund taxes due to palpable error pursuant to Section 74.33 of the Wisconsin Statutes regarding real property owned by Vogds (OTWT 1625-008). His motion was seconded by Supervisor Wiedenman and carried.

Under public comments, Chris Mommaerts, a candidate on the April 7, 2020 ballot running for District 14 County Supervisor, was present and introduced herself.

The Board reviewed the contract agreements between Western Lakes Fire District, and the Towns of Oconomowoc, Merton and Ashippun. Supervisor Jones made a motion to approve the Western Lakes Fire District contracts with the Towns of Oconomowoc, Merton and Ashippun. Supervisor Wiedenman seconded the motion and it carried. No signatures are required as the Board only validates the contracts that the Fire Board approved.

Chief Bowen reported that there was another life-saving event in the Town of Ottawa on December 24, 2019. Those involved will be recognized at a meeting in the future.

Chief Bowen, representing the Western Lakes Fire District, stopped in and reported that a joint owners meeting is scheduled for May 16th, 2020. The budget workshop with the joint owners is scheduled for June 17, 2020.

Proposed Resolution #3-20C – A resolution to authorize \$200,000.00 line of credit (LOC) for the Western Lakes Fire District was reviewed. Chief Bowen reminded the Board members that there is no cost involved with maintaining the LOC. Supervisor Jones questioned the need for the LOC since the WLFD currently has a 15% fund balance. Chief Bowen explained that if a catastrophic event were to occur, the fund balance could be wiped out quickly with additional payroll, and the LOC would be necessary. Additionally, the auditors that work for the WLFD think that keeping a LOC is important.

Supervisor Jones made a motion to approve Resolution #3-20C - A resolution to authorize \$200,000.00 line of credit (LOC) for the Western Lakes Fire District. Supervisor Wiedenman seconded the motion and it carried.

The Town had the option to contract with the City of Waukesha for Special Services. They provide services that WLFD cannot. The retainer would cost \$1,620 per year. Supervisor Jones said that the Board has always said no to this proposal. No action was taken,

The Annual Town Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 21, 2010 at 6:00 P.M.

Supervisor Jones made a motion to pay the bills as listed, in addition to payroll for M Klein and L Geyman, and associated withholding payments, Credit Card Services, and We Energies. His motion was seconded by Supervisor Wiedenman and carried.

Supervisor Wiedenman made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on February 10, 2020 as presented. His motion was seconded by Supervisor Jones and carried.

Supervisor Jones made a motion to adjourn. His motion was seconded by Supervisor Wiedenman and carried.

Respectfully submitted, Melissa M Klein, WCMC, Clerk/Treasurer, Town of Ottawa