

Town of Harmony Monthly Board Meeting/Minutes

Thursday, September 21, 2023 @ Town Shop E2905 Newton Road, Genoa, WI 54632

Lorn Goede called the meeting to order @ 6:10 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Lorn Goede, Chairman, Kent Wendorf and Keith Bauer, Supervisors, Carolyn Parr, Clerk/Treasurer, Pete Strachan, Zoning Coord.

Verification: Agenda posted @ Town Shop, Sorenson Ln, and tn.harmony.wi.gov

Town Business:

Zoning requests for Rezone and CUP's moved to beginning of meeting. See Zoning for approvals. Cemetery lists updated and signed by boards. Clerk will be drop it off at the Vernon County Clerks office. Dog count completed, Keith Matthews will be paid and list turned into Vernon County Clerk. Clerk to check with Grimm Tails about contract. Dogs were taken to Driftless Humane Society and bill was received by Tn of Harmony. Motion made and seconded by Lorn/Keith to pay Driftless the bill of \$400. Clerk to contact Sheriff Dept for procedures.

Fall Workshop video recording is available on the Towns Association website.

Letter was received by GFL explaining new information. Town of Harmony will remain with Big Hook.

Motion made and seconded by Kent/Keith to make some minor changes to the Tax letter that is mailed with property tax bills by Abt Mailing. Changes include where 2nd half taxes need to be paid. Some people are sending to Clerk or putting in the lock box instead of sending to Vernon County Treasurer and reminding people to include check and rabies certificated for dog license. Motion carried.

Motion made and seconded by Lorn/Keith to raise the blanket personal from \$10,000 to \$25,000. Motion carried.

Board would like to see Managed Forest changes when received.

Chairman Report: Lorn received the bridge report and Upper Newton bridge needs to be replaced. New money available to replace bridge and should not cost us anything.

Town Road

No Patrolmen present

Seal coating is done.

No update on Enterprise Rd or Dudley Hill projects from Phil Hewitt, Vernon County Highway Dept. Lorn to check with him again.

Minutes:

Motion made and seconded by Kent/Keith to approve minutes. Motion carried

Treasurer's Report:

Motion made and seconded by Keith/Kent to approve treasurers report. Motion carried.

Accounts Payable

Motion made and seconded by Kent/Keith to approve the bills to be paid with the exception of \$31,000 to Fahrners and paying Jeff Ostrem for grading for in the amount of \$195. Motion carried.

Zoning Report:

Motion made and seconded by Keith/Lorn to move Rezone and CUP's to beginning of meeting. Motion carried.

Pete Strachan presented the board with a Rezone. Rezone was for Caleb DeWitt and Lucas Rious-Maldague to parcel off 8 acres and rezone from Farmland Preservation District to General Agricultural District. Only concerns were letting the land be split up into smaller parcels. Motion was made and seconded by Keith/Kent to approve the rezoning. Motion carried.

Resented the board with 2 CUP's. Ben Byler for a machinery shop and Steve and Judy Kretchmer for a VRBO on the Noble Prentice they have purchased. Motion was made and seconded by Keith/Kent to approve the CUP. Motion made. Pete Strachan presented a building request for Dennis Urbanek to build a shed. Motion made and seconded by Kent/Keith to approve building permit. Motion carried.

New septic permits issued by Vernon County for Albert Miller and Eli Schlabach.

New fire signs to replace the old ones have been ordered. They will be paid for with a matching grant from the county.

Election Report:

Public Comment:

Property owner Bruce Duwe had a concern about some trees that were knocked over and pushed over on his property. Lorn talked to Bruce and said he and the Patrolmen will come up and look it over. They will see if it can be pushed into a pile and burned when possible.

Next Meeting Date:

September 21, 2023 @ 6:00 pm.

Adjournment: Motion made and seconded by Kent/Keith to adjourn at 8:15pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Carolyn Parr, Clerk-Town of Harmony