

**TOWN OF UNION
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
Minutes of Thursday, June 7, 2012**

The Town of Union monthly board meeting was called to order by Chairman Kendall Schneider at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 7, 2012 at the Evansville Fire Station, 425 Water St., Evansville, WI. Members in attendance included Chairman Schneider, Supervisors George Franklin and Kim Gruebling, Treasurer Sharon Franklin, Clerk Regina Ylvisaker, and Building Inspector Bob Fahey. Plan Commission members Alvin Francis and Dave Pestor were also in attendance. Constable Eric Larsen was not in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Clerk's Minutes (May 3 - 17 - 29, 2012)

Motion to approve minutes from May 3, 2012 meeting as written made by Gruebling/Franklin. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Minutes from May 17 and May 29, 2012 meetings will be approved at a future meeting.

Treasurer's report

Treasurer Sharon Franklin reported balances as of May 31, 2012:

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| Local Gov't Investment Pool General Fund | \$ | 0.00 |
| Park and Recreation Fund | \$ | 12,448.97 |
| UB&T Money Market Sweep Account | \$ | 79,214.33 |
| UB&T Checking Account | \$ | 15,000.00 |
| Wayne Disch Memorial Park Fund | \$ | 2,539.54 |
| Morning Ridge Stub Road CD | \$ | 20,561.75 |
| Escrow Accounts: | | |
| Robert Janes/Bakers Crossing | \$ | 813.77 |
| Teresa Lane: | | |
| Bank of Monticello | \$ | 1,160.94 |
| Michael Kipp | \$ | 386.97 |

Board Action: Budget Line Adjustments if Required

None required.

Constable's report

Constable Eric Larsen was not in attendance to present a report.

Building Inspector's report

Building Inspector Bob Fahey reported the following permits issued in May:

| Date | Permit # | Parcel # | Name | Address | Description | Construction Cost | Permit Fee \$ |
|-----------|----------|--------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| 5/5/2012 | 12-5-B | 6-20-176.1 | Don Lorenz | 8441 N Hwy 14 Lot 4 | Deck | \$ 2,000.00 | \$ 60.00 |
| 5/5/2012 | 12-6-B | 6-20-32.1 | Noah Hurley | 17202 W Holt Rd | Remodel entire home | \$ 50,000.00 | \$ 375.00 |
| 5/10/2012 | 12-7-B | 6-20-160.1 | Doug Lee | 17535 W Emery Rd | Addition to home | \$ 18,000.00 | \$ 230.00 |
| 5/19/2012 | 12-8-B | 6-20-280A.2 | Roger Berg | 6528 N Hwy 213 | 30x60 Greenhouse | \$ 10,000.00 | \$ 175.00 |
| 5/21/2012 | 12-9-B | 6-20-370.50 | Magee Construction | 13104 W Harvest Moon Dr | Screen porch into 3 season room | \$ 2,500.00 | \$ 120.00 |
| 5/10/2012 | 12-10-B | 6-20-224.6A2 | Ward Engel | 13610 W Forest Ridge Trail | Electric service | \$ 500.00 | \$ 60.00 |
| | | 6-20-252 | Alvin Francis | N Peasant Prairie Rd | CUP for land division | | |
| | | | Mobile Home Park Inspection | | | | |
| | | | Alcohol License Inspections | | | | |

Recycling Center Update

Jerry Krueger reported that drive has been shouldered, and they are still working on filling water pockets on the pad. The center remains busy, occasionally recycling fills up and they are forced to put recycling in waste.

Kim Gruebling would like to start discussions on putting up a metal building at the center that could house the dump truck, loader, and address some of the other storage needs that the center has. Storing the equipment inside will extend their life. If the Town needs to borrow money to build the building, now would be a good time to do so as interest rates are low. Would like an agenda item such as "Recycling Center Improvements" added to the agenda for future meetings.

Follow Up Reports

Gruebling reported he did not attend the FEMA training, as he was busy with other Town meetings and business, elections, etc. The registration had not been sent in so there was no cost incurred.

Public Comment (5 min max per item, no action will be taken on any issues)

Kendall Schneider wanted to thank all who helped clean up after the storm on Memorial Day weekend. Five roads were closed due to trees down.

Deputy Sheriff from Rock County was in attendance to address any citizen concerns. Schneider stated that the Fire District had questions about getting reports from accidents, the State is getting more strict about what they are requiring for documentation to get reimbursements for unpaid fire calls. Deputy suggested that the fire fighters ask for a name exchange form from the officer on the scene.

Dave Pestor stated that at the last Plan Commission meeting, the Commission was told that they should work on developing a map with Rock County for the Farmland Preservation Program. Pestor was concerned that the Commission will do all the work on the map and then the Board may not approve or follow through with it. Schneider stated that the County is looking for a map from the Town to complete the county wide ag land preservation map. Pestor feels that ag land values continue to change and the program will be locking ag land into one use when uses and values may change in the future. Should consider who the Town wants to help, the corporate farms or the small farmers.

Doug Lee would like to know whose responsibility it is to clean up a tree when it is down and on someone's property, and who is getting billed for moving down trees. Once the trees are off the road, is it the landowner's responsibility to clean up the tree the next day and are the people doing the cleaning up being paid by the Town and how were they chosen? Were the people covered with liability insurance and properly trained in the use of the equipment? Wants to know who authorized it and who pays the bill. Understands that the roads need to be opened, but after that it is the landowners responsibility to take care of the trees.

George Franklin would like to thank those who helped clean up after the storm. Thinks that the clean up that was done by the Town the following day could be billed to the landowner. Gruebling thinks that if the tree is in the right of way the Town should handle it, and if it is not it should be left to the landowner. He also felt that all individuals operating machinery should be trained and the training should be documented. A policy should be put in place regarding these issues. Gruebling stated that Franklin is in charge of roadwork, and the Board can't have a meeting every time an issue comes up. The issue will not be settled tonight, and Gruebling requested that it be included on the September agenda.

Gruebling wanted to commend Josh Wiser and Jerry Krueger for their work on the storm prior to Memorial Day weekend, trees were down then as well and the Franklins were out of town. Wiser and Krueger were already on the job when Gruebling called them regarding cleaning up the down trees.

Franklin thanked Cathy Bembinster for the email on the tower ordinance.

Roadwork

Regarding the joint project to finish up Leedle Mill Road with the Town of Porter; three proposals were received, two from Scott Construction and one from Rock County Public Works. With grader patching and wedging, Scott Construction quoted \$4,363.50; with pulverizing and knock down compaction, Scott Construction quoted \$4,716.70; Rock County PW quoted \$8,350 for pulverizing and double seal coating. Porter has opted for pulverizing and knock down compaction. Motion by Schneider/Franklin to approve quote from Scott Construction for pulverizing and knock down compaction for \$4,716.70. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Franklin stated that tomorrow morning the rest of the brush will be removed from the Leedle Mill Bridge and the chipper will be removed.

Pestor stated the sign at Milbrandt and Hwy 104 is missing; Wisner stated that he has the sign but needs a special bracket to put it up. A new post will be put up as well.

Scheduling of Parks & Trails Committee Meeting

Nothing scheduled.

Public Hearing: Review and Action on Request made by Alvin Francis, 17226 W. Cty. Hwy. C, Evansville, WI 53536 to separate off 2 acres from the existing 40 acre parcel, #6-20-252, located in the SE ¼ of Section 30. The parent parcel would retain A-1 zoning, and the new 2 acre parcel would be zoned A-1 under a conditional use separation.

Public hearing opened at 7:38 p.m.

Public hearing was held at the Plan Commission hearing at their April meeting, and there were no concerns from any members of the public at that time.

Public hearing closed at 7:40 p.m.

Motion by Franklin/Gruebling to approve the request made by Alvin Francis, 17226 W. Cty. Hwy. C, Evansville, WI 53536 to separate off 2 acres from the existing 40 acre parcel, #6-20-252, located in the SE ¼ of Section 30, with the parent parcel retaining A-1 zoning, and the new 2 acre parcel zoned A-1 under a conditional use separation.

Franklin asked for clarification that the 2 acres will remain A1 under the Conditional Use; Schneider stated they would. It would be treated as rural residential for zoning restrictions.

Roll call: Kendall Schneider – Yes; George Franklin – Yes; Kim Gruebling – Yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Public Hearing: Review and Action on Extension of Ordinance 2011-03, An Ordinance to Impose a Temporary Stay on Construction of Towers and Antennas in the Town of Union. *The current moratorium expires on June 10, 2012*

Public hearing opened at 7:43 p.m.

Jim Jermain, representing AT&T, commended the Board on working toward a comprehensive ordinance. Recognized the work done by Supervisor Gruebling on developing the application form. Would like to encourage the Board to wrap the process up as soon as possible.

Public hearing closed at 7:45 p.m.

Working meetings on the ordinance are scheduled for June 14 and 21. Will plan for final public hearing on August 2, at the regular Board meeting, and as such extending the moratorium to August 10 seems appropriate.

Motion to extend the current moratorium to August 10, 2012, given the extenuating circumstances, made by Schneider/Gruebling. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Board Action: Review and Approval of Liquor Licenses

Inspections still need to be completed, and seller's permit numbers are missing on a couple of applications. Motion to approve licenses for Evansville Golf Association, Geneo's Bar, and Union Tavern contingent upon acceptable inspections and completion of forms made by Schneider/Gruebling. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Board Action: Review and Approval of Operator's (Bartender) Licenses

Motion to approve the following operator's licenses made by Schneider/Gruebling:

Matthew R. Hoffman

Derik D. Doescher

Gary C. Grossman

Michelle L. Sloniker

Alyssa R. Keister

Rebecca Peach
Rita K. Stone
Tammy L. Jones
Jeannie M. Doescher
Samantha J. Stone
Jamie M. Shotliff
Carol P. Laube
Rachel A. Ammerman
Janeace M. Milz
Jolene K. Klitzman
Daniel G. Milz
Mary A. Brzezinski
Melvin R. Arnold
Debra K. Stueber
Krystal A. Morton
Nadene E. Holland
Norma L. Spaar
Alisha A. Trawicki
Matt J. Hill
Donald A. Huggins

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Board Action: Review and Approval of Cigarette Licenses

Motion made by Schneider/Gruebling to approve cigarette license for Union Tavern. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Board Action: Review and Approval of Mobile Home Park Licenses

Clerk Ylvisaker reported that an application had not yet been received from Cavalier Village. Motion to contact Cavalier via certified letter made by Schneider/Gruebling. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion to approve licenses for Midway Village, Fair Street Village, Valhalla, and Birchwood pending inspections made by Schneider/Franklin. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Pay Bills

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Schneider/Gruebling to adjourn and pay bills. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Regina Ylvisaker

Note: minutes are considered draft until reviewed and approved by the Town Board at a properly noticed meeting.