

TOWN OF UNION
Monthly Board Meeting
Minutes of January 14, 2021

The Monthly Town of Union Town Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Kendall Schneider at 6:35 p.m. on Thursday, January 14, 2021. The meeting was held via Zoom. Members in attendance included Chairman Schneider, Supervisors George Franklin and Kim Gruebling, Treasurer Jessica Nellen, and Clerk Regina Riedel. Plan Commission members Alvin Francis and Don Krajeck, as well as Road Patrolman Josh Wiser, were also in attendance.

Clerk's Minutes (December 3, 2020)

Franklin would like minutes amended to note that the meeting was held via Zoom. Motion to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2020 meeting as corrected made by Franklin/Gruebling. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's report

Treasurer Jessica Nellen reported balances as of December 30, 2020 (attached). She also noted that the Greenwoods CD will expire this year.

Building Inspector's report

Building Inspector Bob Fahey not in attendance; report of permits issued during December 2020 attached.

Clerk Update

Clerk Regina Riedel reported that a primary will be held on February 16. George Franklin will not be seeking reelection to the position of Supervisor in April; Mason Barber will be running for the vacant Supervisor seat. The Town received approximately \$3,600 in additional grant money above the initial allocation amount.

Recycling Center Update

Josh Wiser reported that Badgerland Disposal has placed their dumpsters at the Town Recycling and Refuse Center as of January 1. Waste Management/Advanced Disposal has still not picked up their dumpsters, and neither Wiser nor Riedel has heard from them regarding the pickup. Wiser has built an attachment for the John Deere to assist with compressing trash and recycling, increasing the capacity of the dumpsters.

Brooklyn Fire District Update

Gruebling had nothing to report. Still waiting on Town of Rutland to appoint someone to the Strategic Committee; Nellen has heard nothing to date regarding a meeting of the group.

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

Franklin doesn't agree with holding meetings via Zoom.

Gruebling noted that the WTA recently published an article regarding the importance of updating Smart Growth Plans in order to maintain local zoning.

Discussion: Driveway Ordinance

Rick Manthe, Stafford Rosenbaum, was in attendance to review the current version of the ordinance.

Manthe noted that his approach to the current draft was to keep the decision making at the Town Board level. He feels that in current format it is approvable and legal but is ultimately up to the Board.

Franklin noted that the Rock County Land Conservation Department doesn't need to be involved in decision making. Gruebling stated info regarding shared driveways needs to be added, as well as requirements that the last 6 feet of driveways must be gravel/blacktop, and the inclusion of statements regarding a refundable performance fee to ensure correct installation.

Motion to remove referral to Rock County Land Conservation Department, revert to original shared driveway language, include language regarding the requirement that the last 6' of driveway must be blacktop/gravel, and incorporate refundable performance bond made by Gruebling/Schneider. Motion carried 2-1, Franklin dissenting.

Discussion/Board Action: Road Patrolman Sick Leave Eligibility

Closed session will be scheduled by the Board to discuss.

Discussion/Board Action: Appointed vs. Elected Clerk & Treasurer

Warrants further discussion, no action to be taken.

Discussion/Board Action: Town Financial Audit

Franklin has contacted a couple people and has received no response.

Gruebling has checked with 4 different places, only Baker Tilly was interested. He recommends proceeding with getting a proposal from them, which will require a phone conversation with them and Gruebling/Riedel. Gruebling will follow up with Riedel/Baker Tilly.

Roadwork

Wiser discussed the sidewalk off the Robert Dr. cul de sac that runs into the City of Evansville, which a resident was clearing; that resident has moved. Wiser has done a rough plowing after the last few snows and will improve it as the season goes on; the walk was not marked out ahead of time as he didn't know prior to this year that it was to be cleared. It is Town property, therefore ultimately the Town's responsibility to maintain.

Six loads of sand were received this week and the Town's reserve of salt has not yet been delivered; there is currently a full inventory of material.

Bridge inspections of several Town bridges will change to a 3 year rotation instead of 1 year rotation.

Wiser and Riedel met with the City of Evansville this week regarding redoing First and Second Streets. First Street work will only involve the Town permitting construction. Second Street will be more involved as there are Town properties located in the construction zone.

Pay Bills

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn and pay bills was made by Franklin/Gruebling. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Town of Union Treasurer's Report December 2020

Prepared by: Jessica Nellen

State Bank of Cross Plains - Munciple Account

Beginning Balance		\$287,963.06	
	INCOME		YTD
Special Assessments	\$15.00		\$420.00
MHP - taxes	\$1,337.14		\$15,905.30
Refuse	\$2,061.00		\$24,536.57
Scrap	\$150.00		\$1,000.00
Building Permits	\$770.79		\$13,398.75
Dog license	\$235.00		\$960.00
ACH - Routes 2 Recovery	\$25,778.69		\$37,997.85
ACH - Real Estate Tax Collection	\$873,272.86		\$2,234,263.91
Subtotal	\$903,620.48		
Interest earned <i>Interest rate 0.15%</i>	\$56.18		\$5,460.71
Checking account interest	\$0.14		1.66
Total Deposits		\$903,676.80	
Total General Business		\$1,191,639.86	
	EXPENSES		
Total Expenses		<i>(76,527.84)</i>	
SBCP Balance 12/31/2020		\$1,115,112.02	

State Bank of Cross Plains - Checking Account

Balance as of 12/31/2020		\$16,500.00	
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State Bank of Cross Plains - Escrow Account

Balance as of 12/31/2020		\$0.07	
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Wayne Disch Memorial Park fund

Balance November 30	\$1,302.59		
Interest	\$0.03		0.62
Balance as of 12/31/2020		\$1,302.62	

Greenwoods State Bank - Morning Ridge Rd CD

Balance as of 11/30/2020	\$22,917.04		
Interest - Dec	205.67		
Matures 12/23/2021 Int pd 6&12		\$23,122.71	

LGIP-Park & Rec Fund

September 30 Balance	\$10,084.97		
Interest-November	\$1.02		
Interest-December	\$0.89		
Balance as of 10/31/2020		\$10,086.88	

Town of Union, Rock County Wisconsin

Inspector: Bob Fahey
 15535 Francis Rd, Evansville, WI 53536

Date	Permit #	Parcel #	Name	Address	Description	New Home? I=Y	Construction Cost	Permit Fee \$	Inspector's Fee Due	Occupancy Permit Issue
12-Nov-2020	20-58-B		Ben & Kelly Gildner	8409 N Hwy 14	70' x 99' Pole Building - Agricultural use only		\$ 75,000.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 165.00	
8-Dec-2020	20-59-B		Magee Construction	13441 W Northfield Crossing	Basement remodel		\$ 5,500.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 165.00	
18-Dec-2020	20-60-B		Lloyds Plbg & Htg	17063 W Holt Rd	Water Htr replacement		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 55.00	
24-Dec-2020	20-61-B		Lloyds Plbg & Htg	6909 N Hwy M Loy 18	Furnace replacement		\$ 5,000.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 55.00	
1-Dec-2020	20-8-D		Teresa Trumpy	18001 W Croft Rd	Field drive			\$ 60.00	\$ 55.00	

					Totals	\$ 86,500.00	\$ 580.00	\$ 495.00	
YEAR-TO-DATE TOTALS				Total Driveway & Building Permits Issued		68	\$ 2,462,848.00	\$ 16,993.39	\$13,547.43
DECEMBER 2020 TOTALS				Total Driveway & Building Permits Issued		5	\$ 86,500.00	\$ 580.00	\$ 495.00

Number of New Home Permits Issued this Period	0	Building Inspector: Total Reimbursement Requested this Period \$ 495.00 Building Inspector Signature _____ Date _____
Number of Driveway Permits Issued this Period	4	
Number of Other Permits Issued this Period	1	
Total Driveway & Building Permits Issued this Period	5	

Other Notes: