

TOWN OF UNION

MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING Minutes of August 10, 2022

The Town of Union monthly board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Kim Gruebling at 6:31 p.m. on Wednesday, August 10, 2022, at the Town of Union Town Hall, 15531 W. Green Bay Rd., Evansville, WI. Members in attendance included Supervisors Gruebling, Mason Barber, Don Templeton and Dave Pestor; Clerk Regina Riedel; Roadpatrolman Josh Wiser; Plan Commission member Ray Legris. Chairman Kendall Schneider, Treasurer Jessica Nellen and Building Inspector Bob Fahey were absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Clerk's Minutes (July 12, 2022)

Motion to approve the minutes of July 12, 2022 as written made by Pestor/Templeton. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's report

Nellen was absent, report was emailed to the Board.

Building Inspector's report

Fahey was absent, report was emailed to the Board.

Clerk Update

Riedel reported the Partisan Primary was held yesterday and went smoothly.

Board of Review has been rescheduled to September 15, 5-7 p.m. Both Templeton and Gruebling reported being dissatisfied with some aspects of service from Accurate Appraisal this year.

Gruebling stated the driveway bond refund can be returned to residents on Cemetery Rd.

Recycling Center Update

Ray Legris reported that the City of Evansville will be putting up signage at their yard waste disposal site stating it is only for the use of City residents, those living out of City limits may pay \$25 for an annual pass to utilize the site. This information will be added to the Town's newsletter.

Fire District Updates

BFD budget meeting is approaching, and Gruebling suggested new Board members attend simply to better understand the process. The meeting is scheduled for September 14 at 6:30 p.m.

Roadwork Update

Wiser reported that brush on Leedle Mill Rd. around the bridge has been cleared out, there was backwash causing erosion. The damage to Dreamview Ct. done by internet installations has been fixed by the Town, and Pestor has contact info for billing the contractor for the repairs.

Worthington Tractor Parts is closing, and there will be extra truck traffic on local roads as they haul out the scrap metal from the site. The Town will need to grant permission for the trucks to utilize Territorial Rd., in order to get both culverts in the area replaced without impeding their access. The Town will need to work in concert with Rock County for these replacements, but Wiser is confident both culverts can be replaced in the same day with rerouting traffic.

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

Sue Pestor expressed concerns regarding the revaluation, and is wondering what will happen with the mill rate. Riedel will try to get tentative tax information calculated as soon as possible following the Board of Review so residents have an idea if there will be any significant increases to property taxes.

Eric Ringhand was in attendance representing his daughter and son in law, Jerome and Danielle Ballweg, who are building a house on Holt Rd. They will be removing the old house within 60 days of completion, and Ringhand provided a letter stating this was their intention. The item will be added as an agenda item to next month's Board meeting; however in the meantime Riedel will notify Fahey that the Board received the letter and granted preliminary approval, and he may proceed with issuing the building permit.

Gruebling reported that at the recent meeting at RCDPW regarding ATVs, Rock County would like to standardize ATV access rules across the County for those municipalities that have allowed it. There will be a committee formed to address the standardization; Ray Legris would be interested in representing Union on the committee.

Board Action: Adoption of Citation Fee Schedule

Gruebling clarified that the reasoning behind implementing a citation fee schedule was to gain compliance with Town ordinances from residents, not for monetary gain for the Town.

Motion to approve citation fee schedule made by Templeton/Pestor. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Discussion/Board Action: Croft Road Repairs

Pestor recommends repairing Croft Rd., as the road is in bad condition. He recommended doing a 2" overlay on approximately 0.88 miles of the road. This repair should help prolong the life of the road. He noted that the cost of doing repairs on both Croft Rd. and Evansville Brooklyn Rd. will come in less than the quote received for Bullard Rd., saving money while getting ahead on road repairs and buying time.

Motion to approve 2" overlay on 0.88 mile of Croft Rd for \$104,700 made by Pestor/Templeton. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Discussion/Board Action: Permits & Fees for Street Openings, Fiber Optic Installations, Etc.

Gruebling stated this issue was covered at the recent RCDPW meeting, and the County is offering to handle permitting. Gruebling believes it is a good idea to have the County handle it, they can coordinate and complete permits. The Town would need to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the County. Gruebling recommended tabling the issue until Schneider is in attendance, as he was at the RCDPW meeting. Templeton was concerned about the County holding contractors responsible for any damage related to permits, since the Town has already had issues within the damage; this will need to be part of the MOU. Agreed by all to table until next month's Board meeting.

Additionally, appointing a Plan Commission member to replace Ed Levin, as well as appointing a Plan Commission Chairman, will need to be added to the next Board meeting agenda.

Pay Bills

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn and pay bills was made by Templeton/Barber. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Town of Union Treasurer's Report July 2022

Prepared by: Jessica Nellen

State Bank of Cross Plains - Munciple Account	
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Beginning Balance		\$331,952.21	
	INCOME		YTD
MHP - taxes	\$1,310.92		\$9,244.99
Refuse	\$2,503.00		\$14,828.19
Tires	\$15.00		\$710.00
Special Assessment Letters	\$45.00		\$195.00
Building Permits	\$2,071.10		\$7,907.60
Loan	\$250,000.00		\$250,000.00
ACH - Gen Transportation Aid	\$36,066.15		\$108,198.45
ACH - Fire Dues	\$9,285.46		\$9,285.46
ACH - Exempt Computer Aid	\$66.51		\$66.51
ACH - Video Service Prov Aid	\$1,632.54		\$1,632.54
ACH - July Shared Revenues	\$3,404.88		\$3,404.88
Subtotal	\$306,400.56		
Interest earned	\$294.22	<i>Interest rate 1.03%</i>	\$789.11
Checking account interest	\$13.50		\$35.36
Total Deposits		\$306,694.78	
Total General Business		\$638,646.99	
	EXPENSES		
Total Expenses		(98,362.36)	
ARPA Funds		224,200.04	
SBCP Available Balance 7/29/2022		\$316,084.59	

State Bank of Cross Plains - Checking Account	
Balance as of 7/29/2022	\$16,500.00

State Bank of Cross Plains - Escrow Account		
Balance 6/30/2022	\$3,004.99	
Drivew Bond - Evansville Brooklyn Rd, 15830 W Union Rd	\$2,000.00	
Interest APY 1.03%	\$3.87	\$7.93
Balance as of 7/29/2022		\$5,008.86

Wayne Disch Memorial Park fund		
Balance 6/30/2022	\$1,552.96	
Interest APY 0.09%	\$0.11	\$0.30
Balance as of 7/29/2022		\$1,553.07

Greenwoods State Bank - Morning Ridge Rd CD		
Balance as of 12/31/2021	\$23,538.46	
Interest June	\$70.42	70.42
Matures 12/23/2025	Int pd 6&12	\$23,608.88

LGIP-Park & Rec Fund		
Balance 6/30/2022	\$10,111.25	
Interest-July 1.55%	\$13.29	\$22.30
Balance as of 7/31/2022		\$10,124.54

