

TOWN OF KOSHKONONG
MEETING MINUTES
January 13, 2010

Chairman Tim Griep called the meeting of the Town Board of Koshkonong to order at 7:00pm. Clerk Cheney verified the proper postings had been made.

Chairman Tim Griep, Supervisors Jim Brandenburg, Carol Clavey, John Debereiner, Jae Ames, Treasurer Dan Gebauer and Clerk Kim Cheney in attendance.

Park Committee

Discuss/Approve bike access to the park using existing easement on Lee Drive. Park committee member Walt Christensen explained the new proposal from the committee for a different bike access to the park, using Lee Drive. Griep asked if any costs had been researched and Walt replied not yet. Griep stated he felt more information is necessary before approval could be made. The city would have to be notified. Griep/Debereiner motion to authorize the Park Committee to develop a formal plan and bring it back to the Board for city and town approval. No further discussion, motion carried.

Park committee report. Walt talked about a sign at the Park recognizing the donors. Two options with different materials considered. Griep/Ames motion to authorize the Park Committee to purchase an aluminum sign not to exceed \$300 from the park fund. No further discussion, motion carried. Ames/Clavey motion to approve Peter Jacobs to procure the sign, no further discussion, motion carried. Walt also presented a report from Mary Linton regarding the burn of the canary grass.

Plan Commission

Discuss/Review new state re-zoning fees. State Representative Stephen Nass present to give a brief explanation regarding the new fees. This is a complicated issue that may need to be addressed at a Town's Association meeting. One of the objectives from the state is to have more consolidated housing. Money from fees would go into the Farmland Preservation program for tax credits. Representative Jorgenson was invited to speak but not able to attend due to scheduling conflicts.

Angeline Ott Trust: Farm consolidation request to create a 2 acre residential building site (A-3 zone) and a 2 acre lot with existing pre-1975 house (A-3 zone). The 2.3 acre R-2 zone remnant is also a building site. Located at N2562 CTH N, Fort Atkinson, WI, parcel #016-0614-3644-000. Debereiner reported the Plan Commission approved the farm consolidation request, however tabled the remainder of the request due to questions regarding zoning and soils. Owner's son Gene Ott in attendance and explained the preliminary surveys and requests. Ames/Clavey motion to uphold the Plan Commission's decision on the farm consolidation request, other request is tabled. No further discussion, motion carried.

Discuss/Approve 2010-2035 Comprehensive Plan revisions and next steps. All in agreement with revisions. Next step would be an ordinance to adopt the plan, any other ordinance

recommendations would come at a later time. Griep/Debereiner motion to have the Chairman draft an ordinance to adopt the plan. Margaret would be notified to produce the final plan. No further Discussion, motion carried. This will be on the agenda for next months meeting.

Plan Commission Report. Nothing further per Debereiner.

Public Works

Discuss/Approve equipment repairs. Brandenburg reported on equipment issues. Tires and springs were repaired. Griep/Brandenburg motion to authorize the repair of the leaf spring on the GMC, not to exceed \$750. No further discussion, motion carried. Pole saw in need of repairs. Ames/Debereiner motion to replace the pole saw. No further discussion, motion carried. Tire punctured on 09 truck, we do not have a spare. Cost would be approximately \$500. Griep/Clavey motion to authorize purchase of a spare tire and rim, no further discussion, motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Landmark Master Energy Agreement. Agreement reviewed. This agreement states the terms and conditions of the fuel contract. Clavey/Griep motion to approve the agreement with Landmark Services, no further discussion, motion carried.

Set date for a closed session meeting for employee reviews. Griep/Brandenburg motion to set January 20, 2010 at 7:00pm for a closed session meeting for employee reviews. Griep will contact Town's Association for clerk and treasurer reviews. No further discussion, motion carried.

Public works report. 48 tons of salt delivered in December. Kutz reported on signs that will need to be replaced to be in compliance with new DOT regulations. 75 stop ahead signs need to be replaced. Kutz and Stoller will figure out how many of each size will be needed and report back. Also a map needs to be made for the Town signs. Griep/Ames motion to approve the procurement of the DOT Uniform Traffic Control Device manual, motion carried. Clerk will check the internet site. Shop inventory completed.

Discuss/Approve Hausz Brother's request for blasting/mining permit renewal for 2010. Mr. Don Hausz present. No changes from last year. Griep/Clavey motion to approve the permit for 2010, no discussion, motion carried.

Discuss/Approve WTA request for resolution opposing DOR proposal for county assessments. Ames gave a brief explanation. DOR has proposed that the county do the assessments for all municipalities. This would cause taxes to increase due to the increased costs from the county. Clavey/Brandenburg motion to adopt the resolution opposing the DOR proposal. No further discussion, motion carried. Clerk will prepare the resolution. Clavey/Ames motion to send the resolution to state representatives, state senators, WI DOR, WTA. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Jaime Steffen request for a road opening permit. Mr. Steffen explained his

proposed plans. Project date would be approximately April. Ames expressed concerns regarding road settling. Boring would be about 3 ft, deep, approximately 4 inches in diameter. Settling/ road repairs would be the responsibility of Mr. Steffen. Debereiner/Griep motion to approve permit request and include request to restore road and/or right-of-way and Mr. Steffen would be responsible for any necessary repairs for road settling. \$150 fee applies. Motion carried.

Discuss/Approve Fort Atkinson Senior Center request for donation. Griep/Brandenburg motion to approve a \$50 donation to the senior center, motion carried.

Discuss animal control options. Griep presented information received from WTA. Ames reported speaking with different providers for options. Ames will research further. Put on agenda for Jan 20 meeting.

Discuss/Approve garbage removal adjustment petitions. Request from Clarence Draeger to remove garbage charges for 2009. Ames/Griep motion to deny this request as there is no proof that the trailer was not lived in, no further discussion. Motion carried. Requests from Blackhawk Island residents regarding garbage charges on properties that have been flood damaged. Griep/Clavey motion for flood impacted properties that have been condemned/uninhabitable or submitted into the buy-back program, the owner may submit an affidavit to the clerk of such conditions for a refund of garbage charges. No further discussion, motion carried.

Minutes/Treasurer's Reports:

Approve minutes from December 12 & 22 meetings. Griep/Clavey motion to approve the Dec. 12 minutes, motion carried. Griep/Clavey motion to approve Dec 22 minutes as corrected, motion carried.

Approve Treasurer's Report for December 2009. Griep/Debereiner motion to place the Dec treasurer's report on file.

Public Comment, report meetings attended: Walt will research the new zoning fees further. Walt will report more on new electronic waste recycling regulations. Recycling centers proposed for City of Fort. Brandenburg reported on sand usage. He suggested not using as much sand in the mixture. Ames suggested bidding-out sand for next season. Clavey reported some cemetery issues, including an open house and fund raiser. This will be on the February agenda.

Bills: Griep/Brandenburg motion to approve the bills. Motion carried.

Adjournment Griep/Clavey motion to adjourn at 10:05pm. Next Meeting January 20, 2010.

Kim Cheney, Town Clerk