

TOWN OF KOSHKONONG
MEETING MINUTES
September 8, 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 Carol Clavey, John Debereiner, Jae Ames, Treasurer Dan Gebauer and Clerk Kim Cheney present. Supervisor Jim Brandenburg had notified the Clerk and Chairman that he would not be in attendance.

Park Committee

Discuss/Approve new park map for the kiosk. New map for the park kiosk viewed and discussed. Griep/Clavey motion approve the new map for the park not to exceed \$500.45 from the park fund.

Discuss restoration plan for a .55 acre site in the park. Suggested 3 mowings and an herbicide application then re-seed. Not able to be done yet this year as too wet. Needs to be sprayed this year yet, then seeded in fall 2011.

Park Committee Report. Seed collection approximately 3 weeks ago. Sent to same company as last year they would like all we can send.

Plan Commission:

Michael & Cynthia Morano: Variance request to separate merged lots into separate parcels. Located at N561 Blackhawk Bluff Dr., Milton, WI, parcel #016-0513-2743-004 & 016-0513-2743-005. Morano's present. Debereiner reported the Plan Commission recommends approval of this request. Separating these lots would not impact the neighborhood. Griep/Debereiner motion to approve the request to separate these lots as requested. Ames asked about the size of the lots, would be under 30,000 sq. ft. which would be against our ordinance. Merged somehow by the county. But two separate tax parcels. County stated would have to apply for a variance. Modified motion by Griep/Debereiner to approve this request as this had been 2 previous existing lots in a subdivision. No further discussion, motion carried.

Martorano Trust: Variance request for newly constructed retaining wall, enclosed deck, boat ramp, stairways/walkways and filling and grading done in violation of zoning permits on property located W7618 Koshkonong Mounds Rd., Fort Atkinson, WI, parcel #016-0513-2433-002. Mr. Martorano present. Debereiner reported the Plan Commission discussed this at length. Property owner obtained a DNR permit for shoreline work but did not follow thru with the Town and County regarding the various permits that were required. More damage could result if the retaining wall needed to be removed. Plan Commission approved with the condition that the retaining wall be covered and the shoreline returned to its original state. Griep/Clavey motion to approve the variance request based on the Plan Commissions recommendations. No further discussion, vote 4 yes, 1 no, motion carried.

Darlene Lefever: Variance request to keep a 3 season room in zoning violation located at N551 Wishing Well Lane Lot 218, Fort Atkinson, WI, parcel #016-0513-3622-075. Property owner present. Debereiner explained the Plan Commission approved this request, structure was constructed prior to the zoning

change that prohibited this. Griep/Debereiner motion to approve this request. No further discussion, motion carried.

Caryl Ciofani: Variance request to keep a 3 season room in zoning violation located at N551 Wishing Well Lane Lot 280, Fort Atkinson, WI parcel #016-0513-2533-201. Griep/Clavey motion to approve, carried.

Janet Keller: Variance request to keep a 3 season room in zoning violation located at N551 Wishing Well Lane Lot 304, Fort Atkinson, WI parcel #0160513-2533-225. Griep/Clavey motion to approve, carried.

William & Shirley Baker: Variance request to keep a 3 season room in zoning violation located at N551 Wishing Well Lane Lot 259, Fort Atkinson, WI parcel #016-0513-2533-180. Griep/Debereiner motion to approve, carried.

Public Works

Discuss/Review replacement truck specifications. Truck comparison reviewed. Photos viewed. Will discuss further at the next meeting. Ames asked for a price on a steel box with fold down sides. Also would like the model of the plow. Will discuss at the next meeting.

Discuss/Approve highway employee attendance to chain saw safety school. Highway employee Gary Kutz would be interested in attending and would have a place to stay if needed. Ames/Debereiner motion to approve Kutz attendance. Carried.

Discuss/Review winter parking rules. No information available. This will be discussed at a future meeting. Copy ordinances for the next meeting.

Discuss/Approve County Road Aid Petition. Griep/Clavey motion to participate in the county road aid program for 2011 in the amount of \$6931. No further discussion, motion carried.

Discuss/approve County Bridge Aid Petition. Per Kutz, no current culverts that need repair/replacing at this point. We will need to discuss Falk Road bridge. Will apply if needed.

Discuss/Approve wood chipper repairs. Kutz reported on repairs need on the wood chipper, approximately \$1,200. Ames/Clavey motion to authorize purchase of the parts, no further discussion, motion carried.;

Discuss/approve brush cleaning services for the Town of Cold Spring. Town of Cold Spring has asked if our highway department would want to provide this service. Approximately 10 days worth of work cleaning brush and mowing around signs etc. Ames/Griep motion to approve the town employees to work in the Town of cold Spring clearing brush and mowing etc., based on the county equipment rates. Need to check with insurance carrier. County labor rate minus \$5 per hour for our labor. We will do this when our mowing is done. No further discussion, motion carried.

Set closed session date for public works part-time employee reviews. Wednesday Sept. 22, 7pm.

Public Works report. Kutz reported sign vandalism. Ames indicated a sheriff's report should be made. Fall mowing started. GMC truck hydraulic reservoir needs to be repaired. Ames/Griep motion to authorize public works employee investigate replacing the reservoir on the 98 GMC, no further discussion, motion carried. Kutz & Shipler listened to a teleconference on treated salt and may want to consider. Looking for a free sample.

City of Fort Atkinson Fire Department Requests

Discuss/Approve request for a written commitment for the purchase of a new fire truck. Captain Reel present. Replacement of the aerial truck. City will be budgeting and wants a letter of commitment. \$80,000 restricted in our budget. City is asking for approximately 24% of the cost from the town. Ames/Clavey motion to approve a letter of commitment to the city for the purchase of a new aerial truck. Debereiner asked if the other Towns will be required to make a written commitment. The other towns have signed. No further discussion, motion carried.

Appoint a Board member to the city fire truck committee. City is asking for a representative from each Town to be on a committee for the purchase of the new truck. Griep/Clavey motion to appoint the chairman as a board member to the city fire truck committee. No further discussion, motion carried.

Discuss/Approve hiring building inspector. Griep/Clavey motion to hire Greg Noll as the building inspector for 2011 and to work out a contract with him. No further discussion, 3 yes, 1 no, motion carried.

Discuss/Approve ordinance regarding delinquent personal property taxes and license issuance. Suggested ordinance for the town attorney reviewed. Griep/Ames motion to approve ordinance as suggested from the attorney. Number to be designated. No further discussion, roll called, all yes, motion carried, Brandenburg absent.

Discuss/Approve Town of Sumner request to designate North Shore Rd, Blackhawk Island Rd, and Kunz Rd. as Class "B" and to share a portion of the cost for signs. Letter received from Town of Oakland asking Town to designate our portions of North Shore Rd, Blackhawk Island Rd, and Kunz Rd as Class "B". Ames/Clavey motion to approve signage on North Shore and Kunz as "12 ton weight limit" not class "B", no further discussion, motion carried. Refer to current ordinance.

W6260 Apple Lane resident request for a driveway culvert exemption. Property owner present. Explained that a culvert may not be needed as this property is at the top of the hill. Kutz viewed and did not see a need for a culvert. He instructed owner to be sure water does not drain from the driveway into the road. Griep/Ames motion to approve based on the fact that this property is at the crown of the hill, no further discussion, motion carried.

Minutes/Treasurer's Reports:

Minutes from August 11, 18 & 25 meetings. Griep/Clavey motion to approve the August 11th meeting minutes as corrected, motion carried. Griep/Clavey motion to approve the August 18th meeting minutes as corrected, motion carried. Griep/Clavey motion to approve the August 25th meeting minutes as corrected, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report for August 2010. Griep/Debereiner motion to place the August 2010 treasurer's report on file, no discussion, motion carried.

Treasurer's update on delinquent personal property taxes/legal action. Report on delinquent personal property taxes reviewed. Recommendation from Treasurer to start legal action. Any legal costs would be added to the judgement. Collection will require legal assistance. Ames/Debereiner motion to approve the Treasurer to meet with the attorney for 1 hour to start legal action. No further discussion, motion carried.

Public Comment, report meetings attended: Residents Ted & Mary Hill Roth from Pleasant Rd. commented on water issues on Pleasant Road. Would like Town to look at culverts and ditches to see if water can be re-routed. May be problems with the culverts. Public works employees will look at the culverts. Some trees also in the ditch line may need to be removed. This will be on the next month's agenda. Resident Cathy Naber spoke about farmland preservation and consolidation splits. Griep attended the boat patrol meeting.

Bills: Griep/Clavey motion to approve the bills, no discussion, motion carried.

Adjournment: Griep/Debereiner motion to adjourn at 9:45pm, carried.

**Kim Cheney
Town Clerk**