

**TOWN OF MANITOWOC RAPIDS
MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 8, 2021**

The December 8, 2021 meeting of the Town of Manitowoc Rapids meeting was called to order by Chairperson Stradal at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall, 8624 CTH JJ, Manitowoc, WI.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called, and members present were: Josh Stradal-Chairperson, Tom Wetenkamp-Supervisor 1, John Jost-Supervisor 2, Jeremy Stradal-Road Foreman, and Jessica Backus-Clerk/Treasurer. Todd Hickmann-Constable and Scott Tennessen-Assessor were excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairperson Stradal presented the minutes from the November 10, 2021 meeting and the December 8, 2021 agenda.

Supervisor Wetenkamp moved, seconded by Supervisor Jost to approve the minutes and agenda. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Clerk Backus presented the cash flow report. Supervisor Wetenkamp moved, seconded by Supervisor Jost to approve the cash flow report. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairperson Stradal opened public comment at 7:01 p.m.

No one present wished to speak, subsequently Chairperson Stradal closed public input at 7:01 p.m.

REPORTS

Constable – No report.

Highway – Plowing snow and will have to call for sand next weekend.

Assessor – Nothing to report.

County Supervisor - Nothing to report.

Town Plan Commission – Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion and possible action on Kevin Ramminger’s Communication

Chairperson Stradal asked Building Inspector Larry Maloney to provide his input on the situation. Mr. Maloney informed the Board that legally a person can have a single-family home on a commercial property. However, it does have to meet all the requirements of a single-family home. He has never been inside the building. If the Board wishes to have it inspected, he will do it. Chairperson Stradal mentioned a fire inspection must be done as well. Mr. Maloney mentioned he could do it at the same time as the fire inspection. Chairperson Stradal agreed they would schedule both inspections sometime early next year. This matter will be moved to unfinished business until resolved.

Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution 2021-10 to Borrow Funds from the Trust Funds of the State of Wisconsin and Levy Tax

Chairperson Stradal presented the preamble and Resolution 2021-10 to Borrow Funds from the Trust Funds of the State of Wisconsin and Levy Tax. Chairperson Stradal looked for a motion to adopt the preamble and Resolution 2021-10 to Borrow Funds from the Trust Funds of the State of Wisconsin and Levy Tax, so moved by Supervisor Wetenkamp; seconded by Supervisor Jost. Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution 2021-11 Eligible Election Officials for the Town of Manitowoc Rapids

Chairperson Stradal looked for a motion to adopt the Resolution 2021-11 Eligible Election Officials for the Town of Manitowoc Rapids, so moved by Supervisor Jost; seconded by Supervisor Wetenkamp. Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

Discussion and possible action on Brett Fischer-Conditional Use Permit

Chairperson Stradal presented the conditional use permit application for Brett Fischer. Mr. Fischer would like to operate a ministorage and outside storage business on his land. Supervisor Wetenkamp moved, seconded by Supervisor Jost to approve the Conditional Use Permit for Brett Fischer. Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously. Clerk Backus will provide a letter to the County Planning and Zoning Department informing them of the Town Board's decision.

Discussion and possible action on Hawkins Ash Contract

Chairperson Stradal presented the annual audit contract from Hawkins Ash. Supervisor Jost moved, seconded by Supervisor Wetenkamp to approve the Hawkins Ash contract. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and possible action on Clerk/Treasurer Contract

Chairperson Stradal presented the annual Clerk/Treasurer contract for 2022. Supervisor Wetenkamp moved, seconded by Supervisor Jost to approve the Clerk/Treasurer contract for 2022. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and possible action on Manitowoc County Joint Powers Agreement

Chairperson Stradal presented the annual Manitowoc County Joint Powers Agreement. Chairperson Stradal moved, seconded by Supervisor Wetenkamp to approve the Manitowoc County Joint Powers agreement for 2022. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and possible action on Waste Management Contract

Supervisor Jost mentioned Waste Management has been better with pickups. Clerk Backus mentioned the invoices have been corrected. Supervisor Jost still plans to contact a couple of other contracts to keep our options open. This matter will be moved unfinished business until resolved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Discussion and possible action on Krueger Property

Chairperson Stradal mentioned improvements are still being made to the property.

Update on N Union Rd/Branch River Bridge

Chairperson Stradal informed the Board they continue to work with the landowners on the acquisition of the right-of-way needed for the bridge. There is one landowner that has 24 cedar tree line that line the property and screen it from the road. Do to the location of those trees, they will need to be removed for the bridge construction. They would like those trees to be replaced. Chairperson Stradal moved to replace the 24 cedar trees with 22 10-foot trees; seconded by Supervisor Wetenkamp.

Update on the American Rescue Plan Act

Nothing new to report.

OTHER BUSINESS

Items for Next Month's Agenda

Ramminger Communication

Waste Management

Vouchers

Clerk Backus presented the December vouchers. Chairperson Stradal moved, seconded by Supervisor Wetenkamp to approve the vouchers as presented for the month of November. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

NEXT MEETING DATES

Monthly Meeting – January 12, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

There being no further discussion, Supervisor Jost moved to adjourn; seconded by Supervisor Wetenkamp, and the motion was adopted by acclamation. The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Backus, Clerk/Treasurer