

**Town of Williamstown
Minutes
Town Board Meeting
February 14, 2017**

The Town Board meeting was called to order by Chairman Don Hilgendorf at 6:30 p.m. Members present were Don Hilgendorf, Loris Geschke, Allen Schellinger, Cindy Fredrick and Mary Dessereau. The meeting date was published and the agenda was posted according to Section 985.02(2)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes. Roll call and proof of notice were given.

Citizen input was taken on the closed session.

Loris Geschke moved and motion was seconded by Allen Schellinger to approve the agenda. Voting in favor of the motion were Loris Geschke, Allen Schellinger, and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.

Allen Schellinger moved and motion was seconded by Loris Geschke to approve the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on January 10, 2017. Voting in favor of the motion were Allen Schellinger, Loris Geschke, and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.

Lawn Maintenance proposals were received from B&B Outdoor Specialists and Fox Den Landscape and Nursery. Allen Schellinger moved and motion was seconded by Loris Geschke to accept the proposal from Fox Den. Voting in favor of the motion were Loris Geschke, Allen Schellinger, and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved. The Clerk was directed to notify B&B that their proposals need more detail.

The Clerk reported that no Road Mowing proposals had been received. The Board discussed some alternatives. Allen Schellinger moved and motion was seconded by Loris Geschke to table this item until the next meeting. Voting in favor of the motion were Loris Geschke, Allen Schellinger, and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.

Our legal counsel, Mr. John St. Peter, addressed the Board with background for the cooperative plan resolution. The minimum period of time needed is 120 days: at least 60 days before the required public hearing can be held and once the hearing is held, another 60 days before the plan can become effective. Allen Schellinger moved and motion was seconded by Loris Geschke to approve resolution 2017-01, pursuant to Wis. Stat. sec 66.0307(4)(a) authorizing Town Officers to prepare a cooperative plan with the Village of Kekoskee for the purpose of achieving the dissolution of the Village of Kekoskee, Wisconsin. Voting in favor of the motion were Loris Geschke, Allen Schellinger, and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved. With Kekoskee Board members in attendance, February 28, 2017 at 4:30 was chosen as the first working session. Mr. St. Peter will draw up a list of topics that the Clerks will share with their Boards.

The Chairman reported that the Sheriff spoke at the WTA Unit meeting regarding enforcement of Town ATV ordinances. They pose a logistical problem for his department. Per our legal counsel, we have three choices: eliminate our ATV ordinance, enforce the ordinance ourselves or enter into a contract with the Sheriff's Department for enforcement. The Board directed the Clerk to resurrect a draft version of the Citation Ordinance from 2015 for their review at the next meeting. The Chairman stated that signage would be installed as soon as the ground thaws.

Agenda item 10 was an artifact of the closed session being moved to the end of the agenda.

The March meeting was changed to the third Tuesday, March 21st at 6:30.

Loris Geschke moved and motion was seconded by Allen Schellinger to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$51,222.57. Voting in favor of the motion were Loris Geschke, Allen Schellinger, and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.

The Treasurer's report was received: beginning balance of **short-term money** \$287,678.16. **Receipts** of \$67,413.34. **Disbursements** of \$21,131.29. Payout to the Standing Committee of \$2,500. Tax overpayments of \$2,922.33. Tax overpayments returned to tax payers of \$2,661.63. January Settlement payout as Property Credit of \$79,697.07. **Ending balance** as of January 31, 2017 is \$252,023.84. **Long-term** interest received from CD's is \$0.00. **Landfill Standing Account** beginning balance of \$0.07. Receipts of \$2,500.00. Disbursements of \$2,428.55. Interest of \$0.01. Ending Balance January 31, 2017 is \$71.53. **CDBG** beginning balance of \$89,070.14. Receipts of 0.00. Disbursements

of \$0.00. Interest of \$7.57. Ending Balance January 31, 2017 is \$89,077.71. **Tax Collections** beginning balance \$484,197.55. Receipts of \$187,689.63. Disbursements of 483,855.78. Interest of \$70.42. Ending balance as of January 31, 2017 is \$188,101.82.

Don Hilgendorf stated "The Town Board intends to convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(g) for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel for the Town who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy in litigation in which the Town is or is likely to become involved and pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(e) for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. In the closed session, the Board will discuss matters related to the City of Mayville's extraterritorial land division approval." Allen Schellinger moved and motion was seconded by Loris Geschke to move to closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(g) and 19.85(1)(e). Voting in favor of the motion were Loris Geschke, Allen Schellinger, and Don Hilgendorf. Motion approved.

The Board discussed matters related to Mayville's extra-territorial land division approval. No action was taken. Recessing the closed session, the Board reconvened to open session to adjourn.

Loris Geschke moved and motion was seconded by Allen Schellinger to adjourn the meeting. Motion approved.

Minutes recorded by Mary Dessereau, Clerk