Town of Tainter Board Meeting Minutes September 12, 2024



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Town of Tainter At Tainter Town Hall September 12, 2024 @ 7 PM Tainter Town Board Meeting Minutes

- 1) CALL TO ORDER: Randy Valaske, Chair, called to order at 7:00 p.m.
- 2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3) ROLL CALL: Board Members present: Randy Valaske, Justin Albricht, Jerry Mrdutt, Jeremy Kozumplik and Marty Guarneri. Absent: none. Quorum established. Others present: Doris Meyer, Clerk/Treasurer; Darwin Anderson, PC Chairman; Wade Aspen, Patrolmen; and 4 others.
- **4) CERTIFICATION OF POSTING:** Agenda posted September 10, 2024 on the Town Hall Office window and Town website.
- 5) APPROVE AGENDA: Consensus to approve agenda as posted.
- 6) APPROVE MINUTES: August 8, 2024 Town Board meeting minutes. Motion made by Justin to accept the August 8, 2024

Town Board meeting minutes. Jeremy seconded the motion. Voice vote: All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

- 7) FINANCE: August 2024 Finance Report and Payment of Bills.
 - a) August Financials: Reviewed August financial statements. Includes August checks 24716 24745, payrolls for employees direct deposited and 7 ACH payments: 2 (two) to Farm Bureau for life and disability insurance, 1 (one) to Wisconsin Retirement System, 1 (one) to WI DOR for payroll SWT, 1 (one) to IRS for payroll FWT, Social Security and Medicare and 2 (two) to WORCS for background checks. Checking account balance \$18,610.78; Money Market balance \$463,647.80; ARPA Money Market balance \$124,150.70; CD's \$196,396.37. Motion made by Jeremy and seconded by Marty to approve financial statements as printed. Voice vote: All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Payment of Bills: Check/voucher numbers 24746 - 24757 and payroll for employees direct deposited. Motion made by Jeremy and seconded by Marty to approve payment of

bills numbered 24746 - 24757 and payroll for employees direct deposited. Voice vote: All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

8) **REPORTS**

a) Plan Commission (PC) Report:

Darwin Anderson stated that the Plan Commission met in September. He will speak on Plan Commission business later on this agenda.

b) Patrolman Report: Wade Aspen was present and stated that he is working on spray patching and shouldering. Senn is planning to blacktop Peninsula Road soon.

9) **BUSINESS**

- a) Donald Lentz: Final CSM for an approximately 6.1 acre parcel, parcel ID 1703822912362200003 located in the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 36, Township 29 North, Range 12 West, Town of Tainter, Dunn County, Wisconsin. Darwin explained that the proposed CSM corrects a deviation from Dunn County Zoning Ordinance. The Plan Commission reviewed the CSM at their September meeting and a recommendation was made to the Town Board to approve the proposed final CSM. Justin moved to approve the final CSM as presented. Marty seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Randy – yes; Jerry – yes; Jeremy – yes; Marty – yes; Justin - yes. Motion carried.
- b) Michael Weber: Concept map to divide approximately 7.2 acres from an approximately 20 acre parcel, parcel ID 1703822912053300001 and to divide approximately 2.1 acres from an approximately 18.5 acre parcel, parcel ID 1703822912053300003 both located in the SW ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 5, Township 29 North, Range 12 West, Town of Tainter, Dunn County, Wisconsin. Darwin stated the Plan Commission had reviewed the concept map provided by Michael Weber and recommended supporting the concept map as long as it is compliant with Dunn County Zoning and it does not create any land-locked parcels. Discussion followed regarding if the creation of the proposed 2.1 acre parcel would be allowed by the County. Michael will try to follow up with Dunn County Zoning again for confirmation. Concerns of not creating land-locked parcels was also discussed with a preference for consolidating all lots into one so it wouldn't be an issue. Motion by Jerry to conditionally approve the concept map as presented as long as it would be approved by Dunn County Zoning and that it does not create any land-locked parcels. Marty seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Randy yes; Jerry yes; Jeremy yes; Marty yes; Justin yes. Motion carried.
- c) Terminate Easement Rights: Haven Harbor Addition: Resolution 2024-01 to terminate and release easement rights in the Town of Tainter was discussed and reviewed. The issue was brought to light by a preliminary CSM that was done in the Haven Harbor Addition when a surveyor noticed that a parcel existed in the Town's name on the County GIS map per a deed recorded by the Dunn County Register of Deeds, for easement rights, document number 294842. Discussion followed on the complexity of the easements granted by deed. Resolution 2024-01 releases only the easement rights relating to lot 25 and lot 26 in Haven Harbor Addition. Motion by Jeremy to approve

Resolution 2024-01 to terminate and release easement rights which relate only to lot 25 and lot 26 in Haven Harbor Addition. Seconded by Jerry. Roll call vote: Randy – yes; Jerry – yes; Jeremy – yes; Marty – yes; Justin - yes. Motion carried.

- d) Operator License: Evelyn Baron Pioneer; Rob Krueger Pioneer: Applicants are both in compliance with state and local laws. Jerry made a motion to approve the operator license for Evelyn Baron and Rob Krueger. Justin seconded the motion. Voice vote: All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.
- e) Menomonie Rural Joint Fire District Updated Agreement: Discussion followed regarding updates to the Menomonie Rural Fire/Emergency Medical Services District Memorandum of Understanding. Jerry gave a brief update on the agreement with a few of the notable changes being that the cost of fire services will continue to be calculated on equalized value; any money received from a billed fire call will need to be forwarded to the District; the town will continue to keep the 2% fire dues received from the State; the town will not be required to bill the taxpayer directly for fire dues; and the cost is expected to increase by a large amount during the next couple of years for increased operating expenses and a planned purchase of a new fire truck. Several key points were raised during discussion including: fire services are a mandated service of the State so even though rates are increasing across the State and locally, it is still a service that the town must provide to its taxpayers, with limited options; the Menomonie Rural Fire/Emergency Medical Services District is staffed full-time. Jeremy moved to continue membership and approve the Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement of the Menomonie Rural Fire/Emergency Medical Services District. Seconded by Jerry. Roll call vote: Randy - yes; Jerry - yes; Jeremy - yes; Marty - yes; Justin - yes. Motion carried.
- f) Updates to ATV/UTV Ordinance #150.4: Based on discussions from the August town board meeting, updates were made to the Town's ATV/UTV Ordinance to be more consistent with the County's ATV Ordinance. Jerry made a motion to adopt the updated ATV/UTV Ordinance #150.4, seconded by Justin. Roll call vote: Randy – yes; Jerry – yes; Jeremy – yes; Marty – yes; Justin - yes. Motion carried.
- **g) Review Applications for Patrolman Position:** Applications were reviewed for the patrolman position. Discussion followed on the possibility of hiring a part-time patrolman. Doris to post for a part-time plow driver and follow up with applicants who have already submitted for patrolman position.

10) CORRESPONDENCE

(a) **Public Comment:** Three (3) minute limit, discussion and no action. Tom Bilse gave an update on recent Tainter Lake Rehabilitation District work. Justin gave an update from the solid waste meeting. Doris did a quick view on the new town website.

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12) NEXT MEETING: Town Board meeting October 10, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

13) ADJOURN: Marty moved to adjourn at 8:25 pm. Justin seconded the motion. Voice vote: All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Doris Meyer, Town Clerk

^{*}NOTE: Discussion and action may occur on any of the above agenda items.