**Town of Hamilton**

**Regular Board Meeting**

**Tuesday, April 18th 2023**

Chairman Blaine Lee called the April 2023 Town of Hamilton board meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Roll Call was taken. Chairman Blaine Lee, Supervisors Kevin Hoyer, and Paul Degenhardt, Clerk Sara Schultz and Treasurer Katie Reding were all present.

**Approval of Agenda**

Degenhardt motioned to approve and Hoyer seconded that motion. Motion carried.

**Approval of March meeting minutes** The minutes were read and after editing “Kevin Lee” to “Kevin Hoyer”, Hoyer motioned to approve the minutes and Degenhardt seconded. Motion carried.

**Public Comment**

Mark Gaikowski brought info regarding Lynxx networking service availability to our area and is interested in seeing if the Town of Hamilton could get some funding that is available. Kevin Hoyer suggests having the County of La Crosse get involved first and Blaine Lee also asked if Gaikowski would be interested in helping us out down the road regarding helping the Town of Hamilton with getting grant money.

**Bret Miller Hidden Trails Corn Maze, LLC.** W4704 State Road 16 West Salem. Bret Miller was looking into the possibility of doing a wine walk event at the corn maze. After looking into this more, he won’t be moving forward with this plan.

**ATV/UTV use on on county and state roads** Discussion opened regarding if the Town of Hamilton disapproved/ approved use of ATV/UTV on County and State Roads within the Town of Hamilton. Degenhardt motioned to send a letter saying we support all Town of Hamilton roads to be opened for ATV/UTV use. Lee seconded that motion. After further discussion, Degenhardt rescinded his motion. Hoyer motioned to send a letter of support to the County Hwy Commissioner for the Town of Hamilton supporting opening County roads as they see fit. Lee seconded it. Motion carried.

**Matthew Griffin W3965 Scotch Coulee Rd West Salem.** Matt Griffin was present requesting a variance for a 6 ft setback. Lee made a motion to approve the variance for the setback to extend the deck on parcel # 7-535-0. Degenhardt seconded it. Motion was carried.

**Jeff Roskos W4261 Old County Road B West Salem**

Jeff came forward to request the right away to be added back into his parcel #7-1139-0. Degenhardt made a motion to add the right away back to #7-1139-0 and Hoyer seconded the motion. Motion carried. Jeff Roskos will need to get a CSM to start this process.

**Review Bids for off off-road fuel**

The bids were opened for off-road fuel and after reviewing the bids, Vesbach, from Viroqua, WI was awarded the bid at $3.12 per gallon. Hoyer made the motion and Degenhardt seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Renewal of alcohol license application (2023-2024)**

Applications will be sent out to :

Jolivette Family Farms, Inc.; LaCrosse County Agriculture Society, Inc.; Neshonoc Lakeside; Maple Grove Venues, LLC and Uncle Chuck’s Snacks and Beverages, Inc. Lee motioned to approve to send out and Hoyer seconded. Motion carried.

**Road Report and Zoning**

Lots of trees are down from the large snowstorm. All the roads are open now. Plan is to get sand off the roads when we are able to.

Hoyer mentioned that Comprehensive plan changes are coming this fall on commercial properties. Still waiting on Certified Survey Maps.

Salt pile inspection letter was received and got a perfect score.

**Recycle Center**

Everything is going good. Paul Degenhardt, Blaine Lee, Ronda Bond and Barb Whitewater all were able to tour and see how things worked at the Xcel energy French Island Generating Plant.

**Financial Report**

The financial reports and bank balances were handed out. Hoyer motioned to approve and Degenhardt seconded. Motion carried. The bills were paid at this time with a motion by Degenhardt and Hoyer. Carried.

Reding would like to attend a new official’s meeting in May. Degenhardt made a motion to have her attend and pay for travel expenses. Hoyer seconded it and the motion carried.

It is suggested that Reding become a Notary Public. Degenhardt made that motion while Hoyer seconded that motion. Motion Carried.

The board motioned to go into closed session at 8:55 p.m. with a motion by Lee and seconded by Hoyer. Motion carried.

Motion to convene in closed session pursuant to Wis. State Statue 19.85, the Hamilton Town Board will consider employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

Personnel matters were discussed.

Reconvened at 9:50 p.m.

Hoyer motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:51 pm and Degenhardt seconded the motion. Motion carried.