

**TOWN OF BLACK BROOK  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
JANUARY 21, 2021  
MEETING MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by Chairman Charlie Barney, Supervisor I George Fowler, Supervisor II Erik Henningsgard, Clerk Sally Pickard, and Treasurer Cindy Nelson were also present.

The reading of the meeting notice, pursuant to Wisconsin Stats. 19.83 was made.

**Agenda: A motion by Supervisor Henningsgard, seconded by Supervisor Fowler, to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously–3 yes.**

**Minutes: A motion by Supervisor Henningsgard, seconded by Supervisor Fowler to approve the December 17, 2020 minutes. Motion passed unanimously – 3 yes**

**Vouchers: A motion by Supervisor Fowler, seconded by Supervisor Henningsgard to approve the vouchers and pay the bills. Motion passed unanimously –3 yes.**

**CLERK'S REPORT:**

Sad news, Attorney Tim Scott passed away yesterday. He has been our town attorney for about 10 yrs. and will certainly be missed. He was a wealth of information. We will send a memorial. Will need to start looking for another attorney.

Assessor Randy Prochnow has sent a letter asking that Open Book be held on Thursday, April 8<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 and Board of Review held from 5-7 on Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. This is the day of our regular meeting. Board is good these dates so clerk will confirm this with him.

Gearing up for elections with the caucus tonight and there will be a Primary on February 16<sup>th</sup>. The only issue for the primary is State School Superintendent.

We have received the paperwork for the Municipal Court so that is a go.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Beginning bank balance was \$183,017.13 with deposits of \$171,102.92 with \$17.14 in interest. Checks written were \$20,994.50 as well as \$2,049.63 electronically transferred for State and Federal withholding, leaving a balance as of December 31, 2020 of \$331,075.92; Savings earned 1.38 interest due to an error by the bank with a tax deposit of \$50,375.56 for a balance of \$50,407.78. Money Market earned interest of \$28.04 for a balance of \$41,407.00; 6 mo. CD #30 earned \$3.14 interest with a balance of \$12,362.00; 6 mo. CD #32 was cashed in and transferred to checking for public works with a balance \$41,120.71 Total of all accounts on December 31, 2020 is \$435,252.70.

CD#30 was closed and transferred to checking in the amount of \$12,364.74.  
5 outstanding checks - \$13,581.27

## **SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:**

**George Fowler:** The new Fire Commission met Tuesday night. Alan Carlson is Chairman and George Fowler is Vice-Chairman. They will meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month so will need to post this under open meetings law. They will meet monthly for the first six months and then quarterly after that. As far as the insurance issue is concerned, they will be covered under the Amery policy. Based on the vote in December, we did increase our coverage as of January 1st

**Erik Henningsgard:** Acknowledged all of the work Attorney Tim Scott has done for the town and that he will be missed.

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** Will be addressed in the agenda items.

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:** Called about the new truck and finally got word that it will be delivered in mid-March. This is due to the shortage on steel products.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Dennis Carson commented that the board is doing a good job.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Update Comprehensive Plan.** Jan Monson went through and made notations of what we have changed and hopefully, we will have a plan to present in a couple of months. Tim Scott was a big part of that so his knowledge will be missed. We won't have a meeting now for a couple months unless there is a CSM that needs review.

## **Continue discussion and review of Codification of Ordinances, including Title 15, Chapter 1 of the Code of Ordinances relating to Building Codes and Chapter 14 Subdivision & Planning.**

We approved Title 15, Chapter 1 relating to the Building Code and question came about turning the shed/garage into living quarters and if this would present a problem. If there is any type of building being done, including standalone garage. There isn't a permit issued for electrical, but it is put on the calendar to follow-up, and if there were pipes sticking out, then the issue of it being living quarters can be addressed. Dan tries to make it as easy as possible and if there are issues, he reaches out and lets them take a photo to show what they are doing. So it appears we have things covered. Dan Kegley, our building inspector, question about whether the Commercial Building Section is separate from the regular building code and it is.

With regard to Chapter 14, Subdivision & Planning it is substantial and there are a few questions and leave it on the agenda to continue to look at it. Because we haven't had much for sub-division ordinance in place prior we need to look at it to make sure it is what we want.

**A motion by Supervisor Henningsgard, seconded by Supervisor Fowler to table discussion regarding Chapter 14 to next month. Motion passed unanimously. Three (3) yes.**

**Review and approve CSM presented by Michael Markee for Greg Friendshuh - 827 50<sup>th</sup> Ave.,** This was tabled from last month, because there was an issue regarding where they were going to run the manure line so it was brought back this month with that change. The CSM meets all of the requirements of the Plan Commission and Town basically split the tillable from the non-tillable. **A motion by Supervisor Henningsgard seconded by Supervisor Fowler to approve the CSM presented by Michael Markee for Greg Friendshuh. Motion passed unanimously. 3 yes.**

**NEW BUSINESS: Dan Kegley, REM Inspecting Building/Electrical Inspection Annual Report.** He gave a rundown of what permits have been issued and what permits are closed. He also presented a checklist of what requires a permit and what does not, as well as the permit fees and Chapter 15 which the Building/Electrical Inspection code is based on. He also provided photos of dwellings including shed types. If the area is less than 32sq ft. no permit is needed. The State does require that the plans are stamped by an engineer, so Dan makes sure these requirements are followed.

**Discussion on Road Agreement with 3D dumpsters.** Both Erik and Charlie have talked to Josh Riendeau about a road agreement for his business. It looks like he is going to move everything out to the new location. He will put in a scale and he is working with the DNR and so it sounds like they have the start of agreement where he will bring everything across on County Road A and then bring things up on 75<sup>th</sup> to his building and we won't put a load limit on it. We will get something put together when he's back in the area. Erik will follow-up with him.

**Discussion/decision regarding disposal/sale of piano and theater seats.** The theater seats can go down in the basement with the other 2 sets or out the door and put a sign on them \$5. Will take pictures and see if someone is interested in them. The piano will be put outside for free on dumpster day and if it no one takes it, put it in the dumpster. Will look at putting old records in totes moving some of them downstairs.

Also question about the Chapel and what to do with this. Comment was made that this is a historical building. Will look and see what, if anything, can be done to save it. Cost was prohibitive to move, as well as the fact that it wouldn't withstand the move.

**A motion by Supervisor Henningsgard, Seconded by Supervisor Fowler to adjourn to the February 18, 2021 meeting at 7:00 p.m.**

**Meeting adjourned 8:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Charlie Barney, Chairman

Sally Pickard, Clerk