

Town of Russell Annual Meeting Minutes

April 17, 2018@ 7PM

Attending: Terry Winkel, Colleen Schnell, Jeremy Cobbel, Dan Schmahl, Jon Ausloos, Gary Seiler, Janet Seiler, Valerie Kempf, Larry Kempf, Rosemarie Dickman, Herb Dickman, John Kiehnau, Linda Kiehnau, Jon Maurer, Stan Meinert, Don Turba, Aaron Turba, and Mark Novotivic.

**Meeting was called to order** by Chairman T. Winkel at 7p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance followed.

**Minutes of the last year's annual meeting** of 4/18/17. Motion was made to approve the minutes by J Kiehnau, seconded by J Cobble, motion carried.

**Annual Report Questions:**

- D Turba asked why the change in the format of the annual report of expense. Schnell answered that the format was changed when the decision to mail all town residents a copy in March to allow it to fit to one sheet. Total detail is available to anyone that requests one.
- Question on the street lights were brought up and as to moving to the cost of LED lights and the cost savings after removal.

**State Convention:** L Kempf made a motion for the town board to attend the State Convention. Seconded by D Turba. Motion carried.

**Town Newspaper:** G Seiler made a motion to maintain Tri County News as the town newspaper, seconded by L Kempf. Motion carried.

**Town Bank:** R Dickman made a motion to maintain Bank First National as the town bank, seconded by J Seiler. Motion carried.

**Zoning:** A brief discussion on Act 67 and what actions the Town Zoning and Board was taking. Town of Russell will continue to have conversations with the Towns Association, lawyers, and other townships on necessary steps. Jerrod Henschel is the Zoning administrator is taking the lead with the Zoning Board on this.

**Recycling Center:** Comments on the hours and the new surface was positive.

**Town Roads:**

- 2 miles of town roads, Sheboygan from St. Anna to Sexton and Sexton from Sheboygan to Cty HH were resurfaced with a slurry mixture.
- Grass cutting was done by the County from road to fence line in the past year to control brush.
- Concerns:
  - J Maurer and other discussed the corner of Grogen and Cty J is hard to see cars coming from the south. This will be looked at to determine if a tree needs to be trimmed or removed.
  - M Novotivic brought up concerns on Hunters court. Garbage is left on the cul-de-sac, container is filled and not emptied. People are speeding down the dead end very fast.
    - Discussion was on the speed limit-if one road is posted then residents could ask for posting on other town roads.
    - Speed bumps would not be an option.
    - The board will look into putting up a sign: Children @ Play
  - S Meinert brought up the crack filling on Sexton Road. The entire group agreed that the crack filling will not be used in the future and the company will be contacted to determine if anything could be done.

**Upcoming activities:**

Elkhart Lake Triathlon will be running through the town of Russell on June 9, 2017.

Open Book is May 3, 2018 from 4-6

Board of Review is May 30, 2018 from 6-8

Annual meeting will be April 16, 2019.

- Motion to accept 4/16/19 as the annual meeting was made by G Seiler, seconded by H Dickman. Motion carried.

**Motion to adjourn** by J Kienhau, seconded by L Kempf. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 PM

Respectfully Submitted  
Colleen Schnell, Clerk