

TOWN OF RUSSELL BOARD APPROVED MINUTES

Monday, December 6, 2021

Town Russell Hall 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Willeford.

Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Agenda Posted: Yes.

Attendance: Board members present: Willeford, Ausloos, Schmahl.

Others present: Peter Geyer, Treasurer Cobble, Clerk Mierzejewski.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: Minutes from November 1, 2021, were read. Supervisor Ausloos made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Supervisor Schmahl seconded motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Cobble presented the treasurer's report from November 2021. Supervisor Schmahl made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as read. Supervisor Ausloos seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Monthly Bills: Town Clerk presented the bills for December 2021. Motion made by Supervisor Ausloos to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Supervisor Schmahl. Motion carried.

Town Members/Special Topics:

- Town Hall Update: Supervisor Schmahl spoke with Tom Sabel about updating town hall including first floor bathroom, new roof, electrical, etc.
- Tom Mueller Conditional Use Permit (CUP): Board reviewed letter from Attorney Voelker on behalf of Tom Mueller including a new CUP application; but did not include documentation as previously requested. Discussion followed. Will consult with town attorney about further action including pursuing a court date. Clerk did receive application fee for CUP from Rustic Retreat Deer Park LLC.

Monthly Correspondence and/or email:

- Email received from Ann Buechel Haack Elkhart Lake School District Superintendent requesting town forward a survey to residents for input on selecting new school superintendent. Discussed and decided to hand out info at the town recycling center.
- Department of Workforce Development letter indicated \$8.12 refund will be sent as an adjustment due to Covid Relief.
- Newsletter and Year in Review received from Grota Appraisals including new forms to be completed by the clerk in 2022.

- Nicholas Brownson conditional use permit application. Clerk will follow up with the zoning administrator.
- Clerk received information from DNR on PILT program. Town Russell has 80.08 acres in PILT 113 program (lands acquired before 1992) with proposed 2022 payment of \$280.28 up from \$70.47 previously; and PILT 114 program (lands acquired on or after 1992) with a proposed payment of \$465.35 in 2022. Payment formula is based on property values and assessment ratios.
- Information received from Department of Revenue on calculating Levy Limit.

Building Permit: No building permits for November.

Liquor/Operator Licenses: Operator License application received from Jovan's. Board reviewed application and Supervisor Ausloos motioned to approve application, seconded by Supervisor Schmahl. Motion carried.

Recycling Center:

- Pete Geyer wants to close recycling center on Saturday, December 25, 2021, due to holiday, and offered to open the recycling center on Sunday, December 26th from 8:00 until 11:00. Discussed and board agreed with Pete's suggestion. Handout will be given at recycling center with change.
- Pete also requests a new shed to replace the current decrepit sheds. Supervisor Schmahl motioned that Supervisor Ausloos investigates a new building and orders a building with a budget of \$2500.00. Supervisor Ausloos seconded motion. Motion carried.

Constable Report: Tires were discarded on Holstein Road. Pete Geyer has picked them up and will dispose of them.

Town Roads: Holstein Road at Sexton Road has been repaired.

Other Town Business:

- Treasurer Cobble has moved in-person tax collection from Saturday, December 25, 2021, to Thursday, December 30th from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. due to holiday.
- Supervisor Schmahl presented the following town residents to be approved as poll workers for 2022: Herbert Dickman, Rosemarie Dickman, Gary Seiler, Janet Seiler, Judy Schmitz, Larry Kempf, Jackie Ausloos, Colleen Schnell, Gary Bieck, Nancy Bieck, and June Winkel. Chairman Willeford reviewed and appointed those listed above as poll workers for 2022. Clerk will send letter to poll workers.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn made by Supervisor Ausloos, seconded by Supervisor Schmahl. Meeting adjourned 8:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:
Lynette Mierzejewski
Town of Russell Clerk

Tentative Upcoming Schedule

Monday, February 7, 2022, 7:00 p.m. Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, February 15, 2022 Spring Primary

Monday, March 7, 2022, 7:00 p.m. Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, April 5, 2022 Spring Election

Tuesday, August 9, 2022 Partisan Primary

If you have an item for the agenda, please contact Town Clerk