

*Town of Herman*  
**Town Board Meeting**  
**Minutes**

August 7, 2019

The Town Board meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Sixel.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Jeff Sixel and Supervisors Jim Raquet and Carl Maeuser

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk Kathy Koeser, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk George Marthenze, Constable Dennis Grunewald and guests Roger Gosse, Chad Marohn, Todd Marten, Matt Last, and Kendra Kelling.

The meeting was posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Law, August 3, 2019 at 6:00 PM

The minutes of the July 3, 2019 meeting were approved as submitted and revised.

**Treasurer's Report:** Given by Treasurer Marthenze and was approved with the following balances:

Money Market	<b>\$209,631.36</b>
Checking	<b>\$250.00</b>
	<b><u>\$100.00</u></b>
Total Funds in All Accounts	<b>\$209,981.36</b>

**Clerk's Report - Correspondence received:** Miscellaneous correspondence reviewed by the Board. Correspondence to be filed and no further action required.

**Public Input:** Kendra Kelling attended to share information regarding the control invasive species phragmites on private property. Ms. Kelling requested to be added to the September Town Board Meeting to discuss this topic more thoroughly. Involvement at the Town level has proven to be successful in controlling this invasive species.

**Discussion / Action Items**

- ✓ **Marohn Rezone.** Motion Raquet/Maeuser and carried to approve Petition for Rezoning submitted by Chad Marohn to rezone approximately 0.860 acres of parcel #59004 040091, located on State Road 32, in part of Section 36, from Public & Institutional (PI) to Residential Condensed (R2) for the purpose of separating the residence from the cemetery. Motion Raquet/Maeuser and carried to approve the Marohn Certified Survey Map submitted to facilitate the rezone.
- ✓ **Born Rezone.** Motion Sixel/Maeuser and carried to approve Petition for Rezoning submitted by John Born to rezone approximately 3 acres of parcel #59004 033320, located on State Road 42, in part of Section 11, from Farmland Preservation (FP) to Land Conservation (LCD) for the purpose of separating residence from farmland. Motion Sixel/Maeuser and carried to approve the Certified Survey Map to be submitted to facilitate the rezone.
- ✓ **Application for Operator's License.** Motion Raquet/Maeuser and carried to approve the Application for Operator's License for Vicki Hernandez.
- ✓ **Pave North End of Main Road.** Matt Last requested the north end of Main Road be paved to eliminate the wash of gravel onto Franklin Road. The Board agreed paving that section would be beneficial, but not possible this budget year. The County Highway Department will be contacted to sweep the gravel off Franklin Road.
- ✓ **Permit to Move Building.** Motion Raquet/Maeuser and carried to issue Roger Gosse a permit to move a small structure from N9208 County Road M (32 and M) to the Town of Rhine. As outlined under Code of Ordinances 4.05, a Bond of \$1,000 will be posted by check written and held, and Mr. Gosse will notify the County Sheriff's Department and Ada, Howards Grove and Elkhart Lake Fire Departments of the date, time and route.

**Chairman's Report:** Town of Herman property owner Travis Ardell, N7901 State Road 42, who stated he was building a temporary structure (no permit required) is setting up forms for a concrete slab. Building was to be a hoop structure to grow hemp. Building Inspector Goodine to advise owner that building permit will be needed. There could be setback issues. Discussion continued about the poor condition of the Ardell property and the number of unlicensed vehicles located on the property. The Board asked that a letter be sent to Mr. Ardell inviting him to attend the next Town Board meeting to discuss the condition of his property. The August WTA publication contains information about junked cars and how to handle legally. ■ Registration and room reservations for the WTA Annual Convention were discussed. ■ Chairman Sixel met with the inspector who issued the bridge reports to discuss noted repairs. Franklin Road bridge report was in error. No repairs are to be done this year, but prices are being gathered for next year's repairs so they may be budgeted. ■ About 30 people attended the WTA Sheboygan Unit meeting hosted by the Town of Herman on Friday July 26. The Town received \$50 from the WTA Sheboygan Unit to offset meeting costs. Legislative Representatives attending shared informative reports. ■ Chairman Sixel noted that times permits him to drive the Town roads to inspect, and many are in very poor condition. The necessity to raise the tax levy was discussed to ensure two (2) miles of road be repaired per year. With 40 miles of Town road, this would allow a 20 year repair schedule. Treasurer Marthenze will plan and prepare tax levy increase documents.

**Supervisors' Report:** Ditching near Kirsch is complete; Direction of Benzschawel ditching needs to needs to be changed. ■ It was noted there have been personnel changes at the Sheboygan County Highway Department due to long time staff retirements. ■ SCHED patched blacktop at Recycling Center damaged by heavy vehicles turning around on hot new blacktop. ■ The camera at Recycling Center should be moved away from the light. Bugs set off the camera.

**Constables Report:** Concerns raised by Residents near Newer Beginnings LLC regarding its employees turning around in the neighboring driveways due to the road configuration does not allow traffic to turn left from the facility and no U turn is allowed. The Newer Beginnings owner(s) have been notified of the neighbors' concerns. ■ Constable Grunewald agreed to remove tree branches blocking view of a stop sign at Franklin and 32.

**Building and Zoning Administrator's Report:** 2 permits: Lukich, electrical service upgrade; Lillesand, new shed.

**Recycling Center Report:** None

Motion Raquet/Maeuser and carried to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Kathleen Koeser, Clerk