

Proceedings of the
TOWN OF MILTON TOWN BOARD
ROCK COUNTY, WISCONSIN
June 14, 2017 Joint Meeting with
CITY COUNCIL 710 S. JANESVILLE STREET, MILTON, WI

1. Call to Order and Confirmation of Appropriate Meeting Notice

Chair Meyer called the meeting to order. Present were Supervisors Jennings, Stalker and Trescher. Also present were Clerk Kunkel, Milton Common Council, Inga Cushman and 8 citizens. Notices of the meeting were posted at the Milton Town Hall, 1st Community Bank, Lake House Inn and the Town's website.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion Trescher, second Stalker to approve the agenda. Carried.

3. Public Comment on Matters which can be affected by the Milton Fire Department

None

4. Discussion/Possible Action regarding Fire Commission By-Laws/Intergovernmental Agreement

Chair Meyer advised this is to make each other behave in the relationship; if can't resolve, would lead to an arbitrator; hope it wouldn't come to that.

Chair Meyer advised as to whom would make up the Fire Commission is unique and new, could be a town board member or citizens, same for the city.

Trescher had a question on #4 Ownership and Ratification: discussed the assets and needed to create Exhibit B-when will that be done? Unknown when and who is doing it.

Chair Meyer advised that the inventory and real estate are a big part of it; should clarify the public works building; time line for exhibit B-should be addressed.

Trescher advised for #9 there is no date in there for a budget. Discussion.

Insert in #9-"Not later than October of each year".

Trescher inquired on # 7 dealing with either having the meetings at City Hall or Town Hall; assume we are sharing the locations. What about having the fire station in there as an option? Discussion. *Insert: "or other location as determined by the chair."*

Rob Doxey inquired on #11-C as this pertains to the association for clarification.

Chair Meyer advised Wisconsin Statutes requires any funds in the name of the department, are required to be held by the department and managed by the department; is the responsibility of the department. If the funds are specifically named by the association itself and all solicitations and advertising points directly at the association-then it's different. Feel the public is given the impression that the department is running the fundraiser that they are using the fire station-is perceived this is a fire department fundraiser.

Jeff Roemer-RW Management advised this was addressed in the study and with the attorney. Attorney is recommending there is a separate municipal account, so you can track those dollars; still ask the association for approval on how to be spent.

Roemer advised that even though the association is running it, such as the pancake breakfast, it is at the fire station and they are in uniform, want to be aware of the funds and make sure they are being legally spent.

Current association's is not considered a municipal account. Discussion.

Add to 11C: "unless both municipalities approve an ordinance otherwise."

Motion Trescher, second Jennings, for #4 on exhibit B that we create a time line of 90 days, for completion. Carried.

Motion Jennings, second Trescher to accept the revised amended draft of our intergovernmental agreement, as listed-items 9, 7a, 11c. Carried.

5. Discussion/Possible Action regarding Consultant Update and Transition Team Report

Roemer advised that the transition team meets again on Friday, this is just an update.

Jennings inquired as to any changes on the status of the property that Chief Banker was looking at. Chief Banker advised the property that has been obtained is at the corner of Y and Overland, NE corner of the intersection.

Discussion: moving forward; waiting to see how tonight works out; money issues are not budgeted for; things will get better.

6. Discussion/Possible Action regarding Transitional Project Plan

Chair Meyer felt that each city and the town should approve and then the fire commission vote on it next Wednesday. They will require funding for any action.

They are funded through June.

Discussion: estimate on the figures; transition plan will work on a referendum; expectations need to be really clear; dollars are not set in stone; in favor of focus of the plan; need info on to how to implement; make sure the expectations are clear; referendum is absolutely needed; in favor of goals of the plan; dates are mentioned of 2018 and 2019-make sure you are clear; just a plan-waiting to see what you want-haven't gotten into the specifics yet; if set in stone we are in trouble; everything brought to the commission, will be bringing back to the commission for approval; need to be clear to the public that there are no set amounts yet; concerned with how efforts outlined in the plan will be funded; need to know how to implement and fund the plan; go ahead and move forward on these issues-will come back to the commission monthly with reports; are we getting a better deal with costs for collections; mixing our calls with Janesville's for a better rate; bills, etc. would be kept separate from Janesville's; \$1 million referendum for operations continue annually-yes; you have to determine what level of care you want for your constituents; who would purchase the ALS Chase vehicle; haven't gotten into specifics yet; plan is a roadmap to the future-shouldn't commit to a \$3 million referendum.

Motion Trescher, second Stalker for the Town to recommend to the Fire Commission the approval of proceeding forward with the goals of the transitional project plan. Carried.

Motion Jennings, second Trescher to move item #9 prior to item #7 on the agenda. Carried.

9. Consideration of a motion to convene into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes Section 19.85(1)(e), deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session; Re: Contract with RW Management.

Motion Jennings, second Trescher to have both governmental bodies, including Chief Lukas and others as needed, to go into closed session for the above reasons. Carried.

10. Reconvene into Open Session: Discussion/Possible Action on the Contract with RW Management

Motion Trescher, second Jennings to reconvene into open session. Carried.

Chair Meyer wanted the minutes to reflect that Al Hulick, Dan, Chris Lukas and Jeff Reimer were in closed session.

7. Discussion/Possible Action regarding 2017 Budget

Motion Trescher, second Stalker to amend the town budget for 2017, to increase \$6,000 to allow the commission to contract additional consulting work with RW Management. Carried.

Motion Jennings, second Stalker to approve \$6,000 for administrative and additional expenditures for the fire department, as necessary allocated in amending the budget for 2017. Carried.

8. General Items

None

11. Adjourn

Motion Trescher, second Stalker to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 10:05pm.

Respectfully submitted this 15th day of June, 2017

Sandra Kunkel, Town Clerk, WCMC

"Minutes are not official until approved by the Town Board."