

Town of Rock
Special Meeting
August 11, 2016
6:00 p.m, Town Hall

The meeting was **Called to Order** by Jason Beier, chairman.

The **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag** was recited.

There is a sign in sheet on file with the clerk listing those in attendance.

Fire Department Tanker Purchase

Jeff Meinders gave a presentation on the background and current status of the Fire Department Tanker. The current tanker is 20+ years old and was put together with a used chassis and a converted milk tanker. It is rusting and the suspension and steering are bad. They are looking to purchase a used chassis and have a new tank built. Currently, there is \$55,000 in CDs available right now. The chassis they are looking at is from V&H and costs \$29,000. It is a 2006 Sterling that was used to haul wall board down South. V&H was the original seller and now took it back on trade. It currently has a flatbed that can be sold by the Town and there has already been some interest expressed in that. The Sterling has a Mercedes-Benz engine with 209,000 miles. It is a single axle automatic with an Allison transmission. Jeff mentioned to those in attendance that this has been discussed over the past year and isn't just a recent decision – a lot of thought and examination have gone into this. The proposed tanker would be fabricated by Stainless & Repair as it would cost more to rebuild the current tank than to build a new one. Also there is currently about a 14 month waiting period from Stainless & Repair and they would not require any money until the tank is built and everything checks out OK with it. At such time, the town would borrow the funds to pay for the tank.

Lisa Wallis looked into various borrowing options. The Town would need to borrow approximately \$65-\$75,000. Heritage Bank offered 3% for 5 years with only 2 payments a year due in March and September. The State of Wisconsin offered a general obligation loan with one annual payment due March 15th. Their interest rate was 2.5% for 1-5 years. Simplicity Credit Union was offering 4.5% interest plus some additional fees.

The intention of the Town is to not raise taxes to do this and instead work the interest expense into the new budget to be adopted this fall.

Jim Schmidt made a motion to purchase the chassis and tanker as proposed by the Fire Chief, Jeff Meinders not to exceed \$130,000 total; Paul Salzwedl seconded the motion. A roll call vote of those in attendance was taken. 18 voted yes and no one voted no. The motion was carried.

Zoning Ordinance

Harry Wallis gave an introduction of himself and the work he's done with the Town zoning. The last draft of the Town of Rock Zoning Ordinance was dated October 3, 2011 and was never finalized. He only recently came into possession of this. The current zoning committee met and reviewed the document with the intention of getting the Town's approval to officially adopt what we had been following. Jeff Meinders asked if there had been any changes made to the 2011 draft. Harry explained that there were just a few wording changes. The November 2011 Board had voted to take the 5-year

expiration off of the conditional use permit. Cole Pankratz mentioned that it was basically approved in 2011, but just never got filed with the County so we're having this meeting to rectify the situation and make sure it's done properly. Wood County Planning & Zoning recommended we hold this meeting to get re-approved.

Harry mentioned one small change was that Lindsey went from R1 & R2 to MU & GU coding in order to fit the state's coordinated use plan.

Diane Gilbertson moved to approve the zoning ordinance as presented; Mark Katzenberger seconded the motion. A roll call vote of those in attendance was taken. 19 voted yes and 1 voted no. Motion was carried.

Adjournment: Jeff Meinders moved to adjourn the meeting; Bob Reed seconded the motion; motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill Wensch, Town Clerk