

TOWN OF NEWTON  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
June 9, 2010

Chairman, Kevin Behnke called our June town board meeting to order on Wednesday, June 9, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. . Roll call was taken: Kevin Behnke, Chairman; John H. Karbon, Jr., Supervisor; Donald Schuette, Supervisor; Joe Janowski, Zoning Administrator; Paulette, Vogt, Treasurer, Ed Downing, Road Supervisor; ValJean Marcoe, Law Enforcement Officer; Barbara Pankratz, Clerk, Gerald and Donna Stecker were present. Everyone joined in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The clerk verified the posting of the agenda in the three designated public places and affidavit of posting for this meeting after which motion was made by Donald Schuette, Supervisor to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded by John H. Karbon, Supervisor and passed.

The minutes of the May, 2010 meeting were accepted by motion made by John H. Karbon, Jr. and seconded by Donald Schuette. Motion carried.

Chairman Behnke opened the public in-put session of the Board Meeting. The first item of business was the Stecker Machine Industrial Development Bond and Approval Resolution. There were no objections filed either in person or by mail and as a result Chairman entertained a motion to accept this Resolution. Said motion was made by Donald Schuette and seconded by John H. Karbon, Jr. Motion passed.

The next agenda matter was for a zone change request by Priority IAC, Inc. (Richard & Cynthia Breunig) for a 50' by 316' section of land owned by them from A-2 Agricultural District to B-1 Business District. The Plan Commission recommended to the Newton Town Board that the zone change be granted for the following reasons: 1) Based on the existing land use, comp. plan and existing businesses located in the area, it would be a positive fit for the community; 2) The land is located in the Agricultural Transitional Area as itemized in the Newton 2030 Comprehensive Plan; 3) No negative environmental impact foreseen from the business operation; 4) Re-zone area is located in the identified growth area of the current Smart Growth Plan. Kevin Behnke made a motion to grant the zone change. Donald Schuette seconded the motion which passed.

There being no further public in-put said session was closed.

Chairman Behnke then asked for the Zoning Administrator's report. Joe Janowski submitted his report for the month of May showing who had received permits and what all transpired during May.

Paulette Vogt, Treasurer submitted her report which was approved by motion made by John H. Karbon, Jr. and seconded by Donald Schuette. Motion carried.

Ed Downing, Road Supervisor indicated to the board that the sashing on the roof on the

town hall is leaking. Ed will obtain bids on getting it fixed. Ed also stated that the he would like to get reverse blades for the Town mower. When cutting the ditches the grass would be thrown into the ditch rather than on the roadway. He was given permission to obtain different blades. Ed also informed the Board that the new radios were in the trucks. He also mentioned the pond dug at Harley and Davidson Roads in the Cloverview Subdivision off of County Road CR. He feels that the pond is to close to the above roads and might pose a threat to small children and/or vehicles. There are no rules about such ponds from the DNR and the Town of Newton does not have any ordinances regulating the same.

Supervisor John Karbon informed the Board that Jennifer Mundstock will work on Wednesdays at the Recycling Center during June, July, August and September. Chairman Behnke told Supervisor Karbon that he should make sure that there are rules and regulations posted at the Recycling Center as to what can be deposited and where it should be deposited. Also John should make sure that the correct items are placed in the compactor and that payment is being made.

ValJean Marcoe, Law Enforcement Officer, gave his report on the dog licensing situation.

The next item of business was the motion made by Chairman Behnke that the Town Board sign the Agreement with Foth to do the Land Division Ordinance Update as well as the zoning update for the sum of \$13,000. The motion was seconded by Donald Schuette and passed.

The Board decided to view the road damage on South 26<sup>th</sup> Street with the parties involved. The meeting will be posted accordingly.

Chairman Behnke spoke to Gary Kennedy from the Manitowoc Highway Department to see what type of work the Highway Department was doing. Chairman Behnke asked Road Supervisor Ed Downing to contact Brian Glaeser to look at Orchard Lane for shimming work. The Lambert Lane certified copy issue is being worked on by legal counsel and will be forthcoming next month. Chairman Behnke also addressed complaints by town residents on issues and updated that to the Board.

The appointments for the Plan Commission and Board of Appeals were updated and submitted by Chairman Behnke as follows:

Plan Commission:

Lee Glaeser 2008-2011; Charlie Bauer 2008-2011; Roger Sieben 2009-2012; Deb Reis 2010-2013; Ed Downing 2010-2013.

Board of Appeals:

DuWayne Hackmann 2008-2011; Mark Knorr 2008-2011; Jeff Holschbach 2009-2012; Emily Bentello 2009-2012; Dan Stock 2010-2013; Lee Holschbach (Alternate) 2010-2013.

Donald Schuette made a motion to adopt the new schedule which was seconded by John H. Karbon, Jr. and passed.

The next item of business was Town Hall renovations. The Board toured the facility and many suggestions for improvement were made which could improve the looks of the office and hall. The matter will be reviewed again.

The clerk submitted the liquor license applications which were approved by motion made by Kevin Behnke and seconded by Donald Schuette. Motion carried.

The fire works permit applications were also submitted by the clerk and approved by the Board.

The statements and report were submitted to the Town Board and approved.

Pursuant to Section 19.85(1)© of the Wisconsin Statutes, motion was made by Donald Schuette to go into closed session. Said motion was seconded by John H. Karbon and passed.

After deliberations in closed session, motion was made by Kevin Behnke to go back into open session. Said motion was seconded by Donald Schuette and passed.

There being no further business to come before the meeting we adjourned by motion made by Kevin Behnke and seconded by Donald Schuette. Motion carried.

Barbara Pankratz, Town Clerk