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**TOWN OF CAMPBELL
LA CROSSE COUNTY, WISCONSIN
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2020, 6:00 P.M.
CAMPBELL TOWN HALL
2219 BAINBRIDGE STREET, LA CROSSE, WI 54603**

1) Meeting Called to Order / Pledge of Allegiance:

Meeting called to order at 6:00 P.M.

2) Roll Call & Verify Public Notice:

Present: Supervisor Troy Littlejohn, Supervisor Ralph Thoren, Chairman Terry Schaller, Supervisor Mitch Brohmer, Supervisor Bob Wolfert (by telephone).

Pursuant to law, written notice of this meeting was given to the press and posted on the public bulletin boards.

3) Public Comment: (limit to 5 minutes per person)

Motion to receive public comment made by Supervisor Thoren/Chairman Schaller. **Motion carried 5-0**

Pamela Eilertson, 2611 Baumgartner Dr., spoke in favor of the Star of the Sea project.

Jeff Foellmi, 1503 Caroline St., spoke regarding access issues at the Community Center and presented a drawing with a proposed access plan.

Bruce Becker, 3111 Lakeshore Dr., inquired about the following items: a property transfer involving the Town, who the Town is currently using for an attorney, stakes in the right-of-way, and the creation of a Police Sergeant position.

Lee Weis, 100 Church Dr., asked about the status of a house in disrepair on Bainbridge St., inquired as to whether or not item K on the agenda was a budgeted item, and spoke in opposition of changing the boat launch ordinance into a parking ordinance.

Motion to close public comment made by Supervisor Littlejohn/Chairman Schaller. **Motion carried 5-0**

4) Consent Agenda: (All items listed are considered routine and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member so requests, in which case the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and be considered on the Regular Agenda).

A) **Approval of Minutes:** Regular Board Meeting 12/10/19, Special Board Meeting 12/16/19

B) **Plan Commission Meeting Recommendations:** None

C) **Payment of Bills:**

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda made by Supervisor Thoren/Chairman Schaller.
Motion carried 5-0

5) **Business:**

A. Appointment of Planning & Zoning Commission member. (Chair)

Chairman Schaller appointed Luke Raymer, 814 Plainview Rd., to the Planning & Zoning Commission for a term to expire 04/30/2022.

B) Stephanie Korish, 341 Tellin Ct., request for a third dog. (Clerk)

Ms. Korish explained that the two dogs she currently owns had a litter of puppies and her son would like to keep one. She stated that he will be moving out of the home with the dog next year when he is finished with school.

Motion to approve a permit for a third dog made by Supervisor Brohmer/Supervisor Thoren. **Motion carried 4-0, Chairman Schaller abstained**

C) Charlie Handy, La Crosse County Planner, to present information on the BUILD Grant. Discussion and possible action on Town participation with the grant. (Thoren)

Mr. Handy stated that he would like the Board to take action in the very near future. The County is hoping to submit the grant request in February. Supervisor Thoren stated the estimated cost for the Town's portion of the road was \$1.4 million. He expressed concern about receiving matching funds and the financial impact to the Town.

Motion to open public comment made by Supervisor Thoren/Chairman Schaller. **Motion carried 5-0**

Bruce Becker, 3111 Lakeshore Dr. stated that he feels the reconstruction of Bainbridge Street will upset a lot of people.

Motion to close public comment made by Supervisor Thoren/Chairman Schaller. **Motion carried 5-0**

Motion to not participate in the BUILD Grant made by Supervisor Wolfert/Chairman Schaller. **Motion carried 4-1, Supervisor Brohmer voted against**

- D)** Discussion and possible action regarding the Star of the Sea project at 129/131 Clinton St. (Chair)

Attorney Kara Burgos spoke on behalf of Star of the Sea. She stated the design for the project was based on an outdated ordinance posted on the Town's website. She would like the Board to consider either changing the lot square footage requirements in the Town zoning ordinance or allow the properties to be annexed into the City of La Crosse so that the project can move forward.

Dan Nelson, 136 Clinton St., stated that the project would have a significant financial impact on the Town.

Motion to instruct the Planning & Zoning Commission to review the lot square footage requirements made by Supervisor Brohmer/Supervisor Littlejohn. **Motion carried 5-0**

- E)** Approval of refunds due for 2019 real estate taxes. (Clerk)

Motion to approve refunds due for 2019 real estate taxes made by Supervisor Brohmer/Chairman Schaller. **Motion carried 5-0**

- F)** Operator's license procedures and fee schedule changes. (Clerk)

Clerk Hanan presented a new operator's license application form to allow for background checks as required by Wisconsin State Statutes. She also suggested a change to the fee schedule, proposing \$30 for a one-year operator's license, and \$15 for a provisional license.

Motion to approve the operator's license form and procedures along with the proposed changes to the fee schedule made by Supervisor Brohmer/Chairman Schaller. **Motion carried 5-0**

- G)** Discussion and possible action to allow fiberglass lawn stakes in the Town right-of-way. (Brohmer)

Supervisor Brohmer stated that metal stakes in the Town right-of-way are unacceptable, but he would like to allow for small fiberglass stakes during the winter months. He proposed a permitting process which would absolve the Town from any liability from allowing the stakes to be placed in the right-of-way.

Motion to draft changes to Section 32 of the Code of Ordinances made by Supervisor Brohmer/Chairman Schaller **Motion carried 5-0**

- H)** Discussion on restructuring the boat launch ordinance into a parking ordinance. (Held over) (Chair)

Supervisor Littlejohn stated that the stickers for this year have already been ordered and this item should be readdressed in the fall.

No action taken

- I)** Approval of procedures to allow for the creation of a Police Sergeant position. (Gavrilos)

Chief Gavrilos explained that he would like to provide an environment where people want to work and stay with the Town. The creation of this position would aid in succession planning and he would like to have someone else in the department with supervisory authority.

Motion to approve procedures to create a Police Sergeant position made by Supervisor Brohmer/Chairman Schaller. **Motion carried 5-0**

- J)** Access issues at the Community Center. (Littlejohn)

Discussion was held regarding people driving on the sidewalk at the Community Center. Additional signage and expansion of the current concrete pad were proposed. Supervisor Littlejohn stated that he would get cost estimates.

No action taken

- K)** Proposals for adding network equipment to meet Department of Justice security requirements. (Wolfert)

Supervisor Wolfert presented two proposals for consideration.

Motion to move forward with the proposal from Adoni Networks in the amount of \$4,453.50 made by Supervisor Littlejohn/Supervisor Thoren. **Motion carried 3-0**
Supervisors Wolfert/Brohmer abstained

- 6) Closed Session:** *Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes 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. AND 19.85 (1) (c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.*

Motion to convene in Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1)(e) and (c) on a roll call vote made by Supervisor Thoren/Chairman Schaller.

Littlejohn – yes, Supervisor Thoren – yes, Chairman Schaller – yes, Supervisor Brohmer-yes & Supervisor Wolfert - yes. **Motion carried 5 yes – 0 no**

(Closed Session) (7:29 P.M.)

- A) Discussion on Sanitary Sewage agreement with the City of La Crosse.
- B) Consideration of applicants for full-time maintenance position.

7) Reconvene in Open Session:

Motion to reconvene in Open Session made by Supervisor Brohmer/Supervisor Thoren. **Motion carried 5-0 (7:53 P.M.)**

A) Possible action of items discussed in Closed Session.

- 1. Consideration of applicants for full-time maintenance position.

Motion to offer the position to the top candidate made by Supervisor Brohmer/Supervisor Schaller. **Motion carried 5-0**

**Phone call with Supervisor Wolfert was disconnected*

8) Adjournment of Meeting:

Motion to adjourn made by Supervisor Brohmer/Supervisor Thoren. **Motion carried 4-0 (7:55 P.M.)**

Respectfully Submitted,
Cassandra Hanan
Clerk/Treasurer