

MINUTES

SPRINGDALE TOWN BOARD

TUESDAY, MARCH 14 2023

MEETING 1, 1:00 PM

- 1. **Call to order and certification of compliance with open meetings law.** Call to order by Rosenbaum at 1:00 PM. Quorum present at Town Hall (Rosenbaum, Hefty, and Schwenn). Also present at Town Hall were Admin/Clerk Arthur and Patrolman Devin Dahlk. Online via Zoom were Brian Rice, P.E. Dane County Highway and Scott Whitsett, P.E., and Robert Hanold, P.E., from Jewell Engineering. Admin/clerk confirmed posting in accordance with open meetings law on 3/9 at springdalewi.gov and Town Hall; Mt. Horeb Mail notified 3/9.
- 2. **Approval of the agenda.** No changes were made.
- 3. **Meeting with representatives from Jewell Engineering and Dane Co. Highway Dept. to discuss how County bridge aid coordinates with the Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP).** The Town needs to replace the bridge at the base of the hill on Town Hall Road, just north of Ridgeview Road and is seeking guidance on how to maximize the County & State programs to facilitate the replacement. Need to understand program deadlines and construction options. Brian Rice, Dane County, provided a summary of the County’s program, which reimburses up to 50% of the total *costs incurred* by the municipality (not necessarily total construction costs). Application deadline is in June. Scott Whitsett – Jewell will wait to submit for County aid on behalf of the Town until June 2024 because prices are going up, and bridge would not be constructed until 2025. County reimburses for hydrology study, but LRIP does not. Ideal time to bid for best bridge pricing is November/December 2024 for 2025 construction.

Consensus was reached that the flat slab, single-span bridge option is the best for this location. Longest lifespan (75+ years) and best for the Class 1 trout stream (natural bottom bridge, no diversion of the stream during construction). Jewell will write the application to look at all alternatives, budgeting for the costliest option first as the reimbursement does not allow for overages. Cannot post the bid request until a signed agreement is in place, which makes estimating well important.

ROW acquisition discussion. Costs for ROW land purchases are not reimbursed from LRIP, but negotiations can be. Jewell will handle all ROW property acquisition negotiations, which involves a sales study that is presented to the board along with the plat and relocation order for approval. Negotiations with landowners follow. Jewell will also handle approval/rejection of bids, contracting after bid acceptance, construction oversight and inspection, project closeout and reimbursement submittal. The Town will only need to sign off on payments to the contractor and send payment.

MOTION (Hefty/Schwenn) to approve the bridge structure type as the single span, reinforced concrete flat slab. DNR prefers as well. Longest life, best for trout. No further discussion. 3 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

4. **Adjournment**

MOTION (Schwenn/Hefty) to adjourn at 1:42 PM. 3 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Minutes taken and submitted by Administrator/Clerk Jackie Arthur.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 14 2023

MEETING 2, 2:00 PM

1. **Call to order and certification of compliance with open meetings law.** Rosenbaum call to order at 2 PM at Town Hall. Quorum present (Schwenn, Rosenbaum, Hefty). Admin/clerk confirmed posting in accordance with open meetings law on 3/9 springdalewi.gov and Town Hall, Mt. Horeb Mail notified 3/9. Former Town building inspector Jim Esser and Nick Urumoglu from Cleary Building Corp. present at Town Hall along with Patrolman Devin Dahlk.
2. **Approval of the agenda.** No changes.
3. **Meeting with representative from Cleary Building Corp. to discuss ventilation for Town Hall**

The purpose of the meeting was to review with Nick the Town's plans for improving the insulation of the Town shop and office, and most importantly, collect Nick's opinions on the state of ventilation in the attic and gather his opinions on how to improve the ventilation before insulation is added.

Key learnings are as follows:

 - There is virtually no ventilation in the attics. There are no soffit vents and no ridge vents.
 - Over the long term, lack of ventilation causes moisture condensation in the attic and accompanying dripping onto the lumber and insulation there. Continued cycles of condensation over the years causes slow rot of the lumber.
 - Nick advises that the ideal solution would be to remove all metal on the roof and exterior sidewalls, add soffits with venting into the attic, and replace the ridge caps with ridge vents. This would obviously be expensive (no cost estimates were offered or discussed).
 - Nick is going to consult with colleagues at Cleary to see if there are other approaches that are less costly that would improve the ventilation. Nick expects to have some feedback for the Town within a week or two.
 - Nick recommended that, when we get to the point of adding insulation in the shop, we use blown fiberglass instead of cellulose since fiberglass is lighter.

4. **Adjournment**

MOTION (Schwenn/Hefty) to adjourn at 3:28 PM. No further discussion. 3 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Minutes taken and submitted by John Rosenbaum