MINUTES OF THE SPRINGDALE TOWN BOARD MEETING, Dec.19, 2016

IN ATTENDANCE: Town Board Chair Ed Eloranta, Supervisor I Mike Fagan, Supervisor II Richard Schwenn and Clerk Vicki Anderson.in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER: by Chair Eloranta, 7 p.m.

NOTICE OF THE MEETING: pursuant to Wisconsin Open Meeting Law was confirmed. By 12/13/16 the agenda was posted in the three customary locations in the Town of Springdale as required by law and, as a courtesy to the residents, the notice of the meeting was published in the *Mt. Horeb Mail* on 12/13/16*.*

MINUTES: MOTION by Fagan/Schwenn to approve the minutes as distributed of 11/14/16 and the special Town Board meeting at the Mt. Horeb Area Joint Fire District meeting of 12/15/2016. MOTION carried 3-0.

PUBLIC INPUT:

A. SCURE REPORT-SCURE Chair Rod Hise provided an update of the committee’s work - \*Committee members and interested citizens continue to work through the Rural Utilities Services comment process and have attended two public meetings and are preparing written comments to submit by 1/6/2017. \*Hise met the Mt. Horeb Schools Superintendent and is enthused about possible collaboration since the schools are concerned about the proposed 345kV line passing through school property owned South of US Hwy. 18/151. \*The committee voted to concentrate on pursuing arguments to keep the 345kV line out of Springdale rather than arguments for ‘no need’ for the line, i.e .concentrate on arguments germane to Springdale exclusively. \*The committee strives to engage the citizenry and to this end, the committee may update the citizens in the February Town of Springdale newsletter.

B. A citizen requests that the notice of the annual budget public hearing, when published in the Mt. Horeb Mail as a courtesy, be *published* at least a few days in advance of the meeting. This year, the annual budget public hearing was posted on 10/25/2016, 15 days in advance of the public hearing as required by law, and as a courtesy, posted on the website and in the paper. The courtesy publication in the weekly Mt. Horeb Mail occurred on the day of the public hearing, 11/10/16. Since the citizen did not receive their mailed copy of the Mt. Horeb Mail until 11/12/2016, he missed the meeting. (The timing is unusual since the budget hearing is usually scheduled on a Monday, rather than later in the week, and usually, the courtesy notice can occur in the Thursday edition the week prior to the meeting.)

Assessor Services: MOTION by Fagan/Schwenn to hire Accurate Appraisal Service, LLC, 1428 Midway Rd., Menasha, WI 54952-0415 for the Town assessment services job for a two-year contract as submitted. Discussion: The Town requested proposals from three firms. Accurate Appraisal Service, LLC. submitted the lowest bid, $6,900 each year, regular maintenance.

Gardiner Appraisal Service, LLC., 1186 East Lake Road, Mineral Point, WI 53565, submitted a bid for $7,300 each year. Associated Appraisal Consultants, Inc., P.O. Box 2111, Appleton, WI 54912-2111 submitted a bid for $9,000 each year. Motion to award the contract to Accurate Appraisal Service, LLC. carried 3-0.

PROCESS TO HIRE A TOWN TREASURER AND A TOWN CLERK: MOTION by Fagan/Schwenn to advertise the job opening for Town Treasurer as discussed. Discussion: The details will be discussed with the Town Treasurer before the job opening is advertised in the Mt. Horeb Mail and the Verona Press the week of Dec. 26, 2016. Interviews will be conducted on Jan. 16, 2017, with the goal of hiring a new treasurer to officially assume the job upon the completion of Nona Erfurth’s term in April, 2017. However, during this current tax season, the new treasurer will shadow Treasurer Erfurth to see firsthand the tax collection and settlement process. This time will be compensated hourly. Draft job advertisement:

 “NOW HIRING TOWN TREASURER – TOWN OF SPRINGDALE

The Town Treasurer will be responsible for all statutory duties of a town treasurer, including, but not necessarily limited to: all financial duties, real estate tax administration, dog license administration and title company requests. Salary for this position is based on 522 hours/yr. x $13/hr. - $6786. Office space is provided in the town hall and office equipment provided by the Town of Springdale. The Town Treasurer may set their own schedule, for the most part. Send your resume and references by Jan. 12, 2017 to the Springdale Town Hall, 2379 Town Hall Rd., Mt. Horeb, WI 53572, or by email to townofspringdale@mhtc.net. Interviews will be conducted on Monday, Jan. 16, 2017, 5-7 p.m. Questions may be directed to the Clerk, 437-6230 and/or Treasurer, 832-6224.”

liberty street and primrose landowner bill haack proposed development: No new information.

BILLS: MOTION by Schwenn/Eloranta to pay the bills. Motion to pay the bills carried 3-0.

ADJOURN: MOTION by Schwenn/Eloranta to adjourn. Motion carried 3-0. Respectfully submitted, Vicki Anderson, Town Clerk