

Town of Mekan Regular Monthly Meeting -July 14th, 2021 1561 Evergreen Montello WI
53949 at 6:00 p.m.

July 14th, 2021 Town of Mekan Regular Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Michael Raddatz, Brandon Frazer, Tom Breiling, Caroline Gemoll, and Valorie Schable.

Minutes from June 8th, 2021 Regular meeting were read by Caroline Gemoll. Motion to approve minutes by Tom Breiling, 2nd by Brandon Frazer. Passed.

Valorie Schable read the treasurer's report. Motion to put Treasurer's report on file by Brandon Frazer, 2nd by Tom Breiling.

Zielke Variance- to put a garage on adjoining property across the road - Combining the lots to build a garage. Motion to approve Zielke variance by Brandon Frazer, 2nd by Tom Breiling.

Marquette Adams Telephone Company MATC Jerry Schneider for broadband fiber optic expansion into the area for high speed internet. They serve about 4000 - The expansions are usually funded by grants that have been given out. They are asking the townships to join in with the other grants that they will be applying with the Recover grant funds. Township of Montello, Mekan and Shields. Will be included in this new service. They have about 286 homes targeted for Mekan township. Mekan has 74000 in grant recovery funds that could possibly be used. Discussed route that was initially given it included Puckaway shores area to the county line but the new one produced at the meeting did not include where the majority of the people are located. Jerry explained that the Puckaway area may be in the next round of installation and they will be closer to us. Tom Breiling made motion to use Grant funds to Marquette Adams, 2nd by Brandon Frazer, Passed. 1 Opposed.

Fire Bill Mark Rassmussen . - Wanted to know why he is being charged a fire bill for a grass fire that he did not start why should he be held responsible for a ditch fire. It was explained how the fire bills work for the town and that owner is responsible for any fire on property.. Stated that just does not make it right to charge homeowners for something that is not their fault. Mark requested the town cover half, Mike stated that we cannot do this.

Liquor license approval - Mike asked if we received a bartender license for Lindsey Borst. Caroline advised no we have not received and stated that she spoke with Greg and Cathy Sondalle, they stated that when Lindsey bartends that they are owners and in the bar during her hours and cannot be there by herself. Board requested a letter to be sent to owners on this.

Property tax Valorie talked with Scott Kempley Treasurer in Packwaukee, they were able to work out an additional fee for renewal that the campground will be charging and that Treasurer will send all the campground bills to owner Bob Weiss of the campground and they will pay the bills for the campground. Valorie stated that this would not work for our properties for personal property. Caroline suggested getting a copy of the contract for his seasonal campers to see if keeping taxes current is in the campground contract. Requested Valorie to send a formal letter to the Campground to see if any conclusion could possibly come to a resolution on how to get property taxes collected for the seasonal delinquencies for personal property.

The mobile home park is the primary residence and this is harder to get any resolution.

ARPA fund grant \$37000.33 has been received and is in a separate money market account.

Waste management - has stopped service for residential trash pick up as of July 30th, 2021. Stated that they cannot find drivers to work and will only be doing commercial business pick up. Michael Kohnke stated that it may be necessary to increase hours and order additional dumpsters. Stated that prices may have to be increased. Caroline stated that we already have the highest prices based on other

townships and counties and the prices being charged are not reasonable at this for a family household. It is costing 15-20 week for a family of 5 that's \$75-100 mth which people cannot afford. If they are getting additional garbage from people that have not used the dump the additional funds should cover for additional hours and extra dumpsters.

Putting on the taxes is not a solution - needs to be brought to vote at the annual meeting. They are servicing big dumpsters. Brandon stated that this is happening all over not just here. Keith Goss stated that he has been trying to find anyone for Waste Management and possibly starting a lawsuit. Stated that the State is not willing to help. Keith stated that he has been looking into any documentation on the order to stop services in Marquette Cty for residents.

Zoning 662 Northern Pike put a porch on and no building permit. Caroline stated that the county does not charge if they enclose an existing building structure. Mike stated that for the town it does require a permit. Tom stated that the 622 Northern Pike stated that they only put on one side and a roof.

Correspondence - Mike gave a Golf cart permit and a firework permit.

Mike wanted to know how many homes are down fox court within the campground.

Vouchers 111-125 . Motion to approve vouchers 111-125 by Brandon Frazer , 2nd Tom Breiling, Passed.

Citizens comments - Keith Goss stated that road rage is up.

Next Regular meeting will be Monday August 16th 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Meeting adjourned 7:53p.m.