

Town of Rock
Board Meeting
February 13, 2025
Town Hall

CALL TO ORDER: The February 2025 Board meeting was called to order by Chairman Pete Winistorfer at 7:00 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Pete Winistorfer; Mark Katzenberger; Louis Krainz; John Zahradka; Jill Wensch, Clerk; Lisa Anderson, Treasurer; Lori Zahradka, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT: Bob Reed, Larry Gilbertson, Teresa Pankratz, Rob Zahradka, Aimee Zahradka, Paul & Bev Esser, Mike Kundinger, Diane Gilbertson, Margo Jones, Mike Ford, Jane Watts, Kevin Kerrigan

MINUTES: The minutes of the January 9, 2025 Board Meeting were read by the clerk.

Motion by Mark Katzenberger; Second by John Zahradka to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2025 Board Meeting as presented. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Jane Watts inquired if there was any status update on the litigation regarding the Helgerson property. Pete Winistorfer said that it is still in litigation and is between the attorneys at this time. The Town has not been contacted on the matter since October.

CONSTABLE: Bob Reed didn't have anything to report this month.

PLANNING: Larry Gilbertson reported that there's not been too much going on. The zoning restructuring committee has been meeting frequently to try and keep things moving along. There was a variance hearing this past Tuesday that will be finalized later in the meeting.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Bob Reed commented the member appreciation dinner that was held January 31st was a nice event and had a good turnout. One new member was voted in at the last business meeting. Bob said he would be interested in establishing an incentive program for getting new members. Pete Winistorfer recommended he discuss it with the Fire Department and bring the idea to the Board.

LINDSEY PARK: Rob Zahradka had nothing to report. Pete Winistorfer said he received a call from Lizz Drexler that the Park Committee would like to see some type of fireplace grill at the Park and she is working on getting some details.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The January 2025 Treasurer's Report was presented by Lisa Anderson.

There was a discussion of adopting a policy to not issue tax refunds that are less than \$5. One tax payment was received with postage due of \$28 and it was sent back because per State Statute, the postage is the responsibility of the taxpayer. Next month funds will get transferred to the Road Fund savings.

Motion by John Zahradka; Second by Mark Katzenberger to approve the January 2025 Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Town Legal Services – Motion by John Zahradka; Second by Mark Katzenberger to continue with Stafford Rosenbaum as legal representation for the Town. Motion Carried.

Kerrigan Variance Request – The Zoning Commission met on February 11th and the meeting was chaired by Cole Pankratz. Larry Gilbertson handed out some maps and information to the Town Board on the Kevin Kerrigan property. He wants to be able to form a lot but doesn't have the required 500' of frontage and the Zoning Commission denied the request.

Motion by Mark Katzenberger; Second by John Zahradka to accept the recommendation of the Zoning Commission and deny the variance request.

There was some discussion between the Board and Mr. Kerrigan and a roll call vote was held. Mark Katzenberger, Yes; Louis Krainz, No; John Zahradka, Yes; Pete Winistorfer, Yes. Motion carried 3:1 to accept the Zoning Commission recommendation and deny the variance request.

Bids for 2025 – Bids for granite, mowing and dust control will be published prior to the March meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Town of Rock was originally scheduled to host the WTA meeting in April, but will now host in August because the Town of Sherry is dropping out.
- The Rapid Needs Assessment Course on March 5th needs at least 15 attendees or it will be cancelled.

CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER:

- The next WTA meeting will be held February 21st in the Town of Remington
- The WTA District meeting is March 1st at the Eagles Club
- John Zahradka has spoken with assessor, Jerry Wegner, and if we're interested he is willing to provide a monthly list of things he finds that there isn't a permit for.
- Pete Winistorfer received a call from a resident that wants a driveway and discovered their neighbor built an accessory building that is partially on their property. This would be a legal issue that the Town wouldn't be involved with.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Motion by Mark Katzenberger; Second by Louis Krainz to certify the bills for payment. Motion Carried.

AUDIT OF BOOKS: The audit of the books for October through December 2024 was conducted and all was found to be in order.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Mark Katzenberger; Second by Louis Krainz to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 pm. Motion Carried.

Jill Wrench, Town Clerk