

MINUTES 2017 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

The Town of Centerville held its Annual Town Meeting on Tuesday, April 18, 2017, at 6:30 PM with lunch served compliments of Cleveland State Bank beginning at 6:00 PM. Agenda posted at LTC and Schmidt Excavating, sent to the media and posted on Town web site. Meeting called to order at 6:33 PM by Chairman Kraemer. The Pledge was said by all present and introductions were given. Brian noted we will move the County Report to the beginning of the meeting to go before previous minutes to be read. County Supervisor needed to get to another meeting.

Kevin Behnke introduced himself as the County Supervisor for our area. He talked about the UW Manitowoc expansion of the science wing. He mentioned \$300,000 cut from the county's highway budget. He also talked about the Agriculture Education outreach tent at the expo building at the fairground. Please feel free to contact Kevin with any concerns or questions.

The Clerk read the minutes from the 2016 Annual Meeting and a motion was made by Mary Tooley with a second from Tony Meyer to approve. Motion carried. Election results were given from the April election. The 2016 Annual Report was presented and there were no questions.

Russ Tooley reported on the 23 building permits that were issued in 2016. There were 5 demolition permits, 2 rezoning, only 1 new home permit, also several driveway and right of way permits. There were 5 Planning and Zoning meetings in 2016. There were no Board of Appeals requests or meetings. Please contact Russ with any permit questions.

Tony Meyer from the Cleveland Fire Department gave a breakdown of fire calls and first responder calls from the past year. There were 46 fire calls, which includes car accidents, for the fire department. 14 calls were for the Town of Centerville. There were 93 first responder calls, also noted the need for more volunteers. The department currently has about 26 active members.

Chairman Kraemer reported that the approximate budget for road maintenance was \$226,000, \$14,000 of which was for typical maintenance. He spoke about two large culverts that were in need of replacement. It would initially cost about \$40,000 but the town should receive about half of that back in bridge aid. It was also mentioned there are some bridges in need of repair. The bridge on County Road X is set to be replaced in 2019.

Val Jean stated it was a good year for Centerville without many animal complaints. Val Jean also mentioned that to please get a burning permit and to call the Sheriffs department to notify of any planned burns. He is also the weed commissioner for the Town and stated spraying for phragmites will begin this year. Volunteers are needed to help with spraying.

Jerry reported for Joe Denor from Fair Market Assessments. The date for Open Book is set for May 1 and Board of Review is set for May 17 at LTC..

Brian thanked everyone for doing a nice job on recycling as Newton has no concerns with our residents. Summer hours for recycling is 8-3. He mentioned the upcoming Manitowoc County Clean Sweep for drug collection. It was also mentioned there are now some permanent locations to safely dispose of prescription drugs.

The Town's safe is no longer in use and a motion was made by Tony Meyer with a second by Elroy Jaeger to approve the sale of the safe.

Open discussion: Jerry recognized Allen for his retirement from the Town Board. It was mentioned that there was some damage to the road and some ditches during snow removal. The excavator has agreed to the repairs on his own. Whether ATV use should be allowed on town roads was briefly debated. Everyone was in agreement to leave it as is.

The next Annual Town meeting is set for Tuesday, April 17, 2018. A motion was made to adjourn by Barb Backhaus with a second from Tony Meyer. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Stacy Orth,
Deputy Town Clerk

Above minutes are unapproved and will be approved at the next Annual Meeting.