

**TOWN OF PRIMROSE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
Minutes**

**Tuesday, September 6th, 2022, 7:30 pm
8468 County Hwy A, Verona, WI 53593**

1. Call to Order at 7:35pm: Dale Judd, Alex Elkins, Martha Gibson and Dave Garfoot were present.
2. Reading and approval of Board minutes of August 1st, 2022.
Alex moved to approve the minutes. Dale seconded. Motion passed 2-0 with one abstention.
3. Treasurer's report and approval of bills: Dave Garfoot presented the financial report for August. Martha moved to approve the report. Alex seconded. Motion passed 3-0.
4. Public comments: Only agenda items may have action taken.
Dawn Haag asked that the Board research an upgrade of media presentation equipment to improve information sharing at public meetings. The Board agreed to look into it prior to the Budget Workshop.
5. Discussion and possible action regarding the Mount Horeb Joint Area Fire Department budget.
Dale presented the results of The MHJAFD budget workshop. Although they started with a 10% increase, that was reduced to a 5.99% increase. Rising cost of heating, fuel, salaries, an increased number of staff, federal grant decrease are driving the increase budgetary needs of both the Fire Department and EMS. Last year's budget was \$1,160,100, and the 2023 budget is expected to be \$1,2036,000.
Martha moved to approve the 2023 MHJAFD proposed budget. Alex seconded. Motion passed 3-0.
Alex requested that the proposed budget be sent to the Town Board ahead so it can be looked over more carefully. Clerk to forward emails to Board when they are received.
6. Mount Horeb School District superintendent, Steve Salarno.
Mr. Salerno was not able to attend. Item to be put on October 3rd TB agenda to discuss the upcoming referendum.
7. Christine and Steve Sherven: Discussion and possible action regarding construction of a replacement garage at 74 County Road U. Parcel 0507-344-9230-5.
The Shervens were not present. Clerk reported that they have decided to just replace the existing garage with a new one, same size, in the same footprint. Clerk to ask them

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to submit a drawing of the proposed garage. Martha moved to approve the project. Alex seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

8. David Haag: Discussion and possible action regarding a replacement home at 9028 Rettenmund Road. Parcel 0507-051-9150-6.

Mr. Haag reported that Jerry did look at the site and approved of the location. He presented photos showing that the area had been used as a garden, next to the house since 1937 and not used for cropland.

Martha moved to approve the new house site as shown on Exhibit A, for David Haag on 9008 Rettenmund Road provided the old house be removed. Dale seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

9. Joel Reinders: Discussion and possible action regarding installation of a ground mounted solar array at 8730 Oak Grove Road. Parcel 0507-094-9810-6

Dale reported that the site was laid out so that it would be screened from Oak Grove Road, for private use only, and placed where it would be least impactive to the land. Mr. Reinders provided documentation of use images from FSA showing no delineated recordings of cropping in this area.

Martha stated that the Town does not have the authority to deny an energy-generation systems for private use. Martha felt that Mr. Reinders has placed it well enough that it is of the "least impact" from the road and the neighbors. It is a temporary system (in that it can be removed) and will have continuous cover underneath. Martha moved to approve the system because the panels are for private use only, well screened, not permanent structure and located in the area of least impact, zoned R-2. Alex agreed and seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Reading and approval of site view minutes of August 27th. Martha moved to approve the minutes. Alex seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

10. Discussion and possible action on the preparation for consideration of Dane County Conditional Use Permits 02547 and 11781 for Deer Creek Sport and Conservation Club: Timeline, materials yet needed, site visit, and attorney etc.

Martha explained that they want to expand the recreational shooting range and the event venues. She stated that a site view should be set up for both proposals.

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Rebecca Rankin: what the plan is for the lead testing and mitigation. Toxic elements in clays also should be looked at. A base-line should be developed, so as they increase site usage, levels can be monitored.

Tim Cruise: Wants third party lead testing done first. Then discuss number of attendees at any event.

Martha stated that UW laboratory is will to take a series of soil samples and test for lead and carcinogenic tars from the clays.

Glenn Reynolds: Glen pointed out that there have been 4 years of neighborhood discussion regarding Best Management Practices for shooting ranges. Lead and tar-pitch are only regulated when it is left on the site. A baseline needs to be established. Clean-up will eventually be required. He recommended not waiting, but contact the Extension service right away, and test prior to winter.

Dale asked the attendees if Deer Creek was there prior to them . The residents stated that they moved in after Deer Creek had started, and that they were aware of the Sportsman Club, but the shooting and the size of events then increased dramatically.

Alex asked if the residents could try to quantify the number of shots fired. The Miller Road residents stated thar in the beginning they barely noticed the shooting... one day a week, couple of guys. But by 2017 it expanded a great deal. Now it is like a war, with thousands of rounds being shot. Easily 100 times the rounds from the beginning.

Matt Caygill: He stated that he feels the Club is trying to push things through without neighborhood approval. He can not understand why the Town has not already required lead testing.

Dale requested that the Clerk contact the UW soil testing person and send an email to Deer Creek requesting a site visit as soon as possible. The CUP hearing will be held after lead and other testing results are in.

11. Motion to convene into Closed Session Pursuant to WI State Statute 19.85(1) (c) & (e) for discussion regarding hiring legal representation for the Town in the matter of the Deer Creek Conditional Use Permit.

No closed session was held. Martha moved to table items 11 through 14. Alex seconded motion passed 3-0.

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12. Roll Call Vote on Closed Session.
13. Motion to reconvene into Open Session pursuant to State Statute 19.84 for discussion and possible action on matters discussed in Closed Session.
14. Roll Call Vote on Open session.
15. Discussion and possible action on matters discussed in Closed session.
16. Discussion and possible action regarding agricultural buildings: none
17. Discussion and possible action regarding changes to the Land Use Plan. Martha moved to table. Alex seconded. Motion passed 3-0.
18. CHANGE BW TO SEPT 22 7:30
19. Clerk's comments:
The Clerk reported that the Town computer is 9 years old and no longer working very well. The Board asked her to buy a replacement (larger than the current one, as needed). They also asked her to price a digital projection system for public meetings. Clerk asked to move Budget Workshop to Thursday, September 22nd as the EMS and Dane County Outreach numbers will be available by then. The Board agreed to that change.
20. Business for next month's agenda and other business: Mount Horeb School District superintendent, set date for completion of Land Use Plan, set up site view with Belleville engineer regarding the bridge on Peerless Road.
21. Adjournment Martha moved to adjourn at 9:41pm. Alex seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Minutes submitted by Ruth Hansen

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