

TOWN OF ERIN PRAIRIE
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 26, 2023

The Town of Erin Prairie Monthly Board Meeting was called to order on Monday, June 26, 2023 at 7:00p.m. by Chairman John Van Dyk at the Erin Prairie Town Hall. Present were Board members John Van Dyk, Dennis Mitchell, and Mike Monteith.

A motion was made by Mike, seconded by Dennis to approve the agenda as presented. Dennis moved to approve the May meeting minutes as written. Mike seconded the motion and both motions passed by affirmative vote.

Available in our Checking and Money Market Accounts is \$275,502.68. This number does not include \$36,895.67 of ARPA funds that have been reserved for helping install Broadband in the township. The bills were presented and discussed. A bill for a private culvert was included in the County Highway bills. That bill will be sent to the resident that ordered the culvert. After review and discussion Dennis moved to accept the treasurer's report and pay the bills as presented. Mike seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Liquor License applications for Bases Loaded Saloon and Rooster's Roadhouse were presented for approval. The Back 80 owned by Daniel and Sheila Dittman also submitted an application for a Class B Beer and Class C Wine license. The Dittman's plan to sell beer and wine a couple nights a week on their property, 1959 180th Ave., New Richmond, WI over the summer. After review of the applications Dennis made a motion to approve the issuance of the liquor licenses to Bases Loaded Saloon, Rooster's Roadhouse, and The Back 80. Mike seconded the motion which passed by affirmative vote.

Road work for the summer was discussed. It was proposed to mill 140th Ave. between 190th St. and 200th St. Some of this has already been completed so the remaining section will be milled. Paving and shouldering will then be completed on 140th Avenue using the TRIP money we have received to help pay for the work. The suggestion was also made to Chip Seal 190th St. from 160th Avenue to the Bridge, about 1 ½ miles. A motion was made by Dennis and seconded by Mike to hire the St. Croix County Highway Department to complete the work as discussed. The motion passed by affirmative vote.

It will also be mentioned to Joel Allen of the County Highway Department that the trees at the corner of 200th St. and 140th Ave. need to be trimmed and cut back.

Dan Donahue and Mike Kelly were present to discuss the Upper Willow Lake Rehabilitation District which was formed in 1975. The Rehabilitation District Committee last met in 2016 and have not met since then until May of this year. The Committee originally had completed a few improvement projects along the Willow River such as a clean up project to make a path along the river. Taxes have not been levied in this District since the 1980s but the district is still in place. There are some individuals that would like to keep the District in place and possibly tax individuals again for new projects. There is a small area in our township that is in this district and that would be taxed if a project was initiated. A meeting to discuss the future of this district is scheduled on July 24, 2023 beginning at 6:00p.m. at the Richmond Town Hall. Dan and Mike are encouraging people to attend this meeting.

The July meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 17 at 6:00p.m.

A motion was made and passed to adjourn at 7:50p.m.
Respectfully Submitted,

Jackie Mitchell, Clerk/Treasurer

