

TOWN OF CHRISTIANA

Minutes of the Virtual Regular Town Board Meeting

August 13, 2020 - 7:00 p.m.

The virtual meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board Chair Maureen P. Lien. Among those attending were Board Supervisors Jim Lowrey and Jeff Notstad, Clerk/Treasurer Kathy Wilson, Fire Chief Terry Johnson, EMS Director Bob Salov, Andrew Bamlett, Joe Salov, Karen Stenjem, Gene Kapsner, George Waag, Troy Hinchley, Shane Johnson, Julie Nelles, Karyn Saemann, and Tim Scott.

PROCEDURAL

The meeting had been properly noticed and posted.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

A detailed video presentation from Keller, Inc., the Wisconsin firm chosen to design the expansion of the Cambridge Volunteer Fire/EMS facility, began the meeting. It was followed by a short video featuring Cambridge Fire/EMS members demonstrating why enlarging the current building is a necessity.

Keller has recently designed fire/EMS facilities for Fort Atkinson, Bailey's Harbor, and Cascade (all of which broke ground in April, 2020) and several other Wisconsin towns and villages. Keller would bid out all aspects of the project while assuming all liability. This would provide great opportunities for local contractors. A 2021 referendum to fund the project would be necessary before this moves forward.

Keller proposes to retain the current building while placing the addition on the adjoining lot where the Pizza Pit and a small house sit. Throughout construction, the Fire Station /EMS will remain operational. They hope to break ground in 2022. Some of the concerns addressed would include:

- Separating turnout gear area from apparatus bay (currently a significant safety hazard).
- Addressing inadequate ventilation, so carcinogens on turnout gear from fires/car accidents are not circulated throughout the building but vented outdoors.
- Addressing the increased size of newer vehicles.
- Providing living space for on-call workers.
- Providing adequate office space.
- Providing larger workout area.
- Providing more classroom space.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. Discussion/possible action regarding the Town Cemetery in Utica.
Town Board Supervisor Jim Lowrey announced that he has consulted Roger Lane, Dance County Planning, regarding the proposed access to the Town Cemetery in Utica. The Town will need a variance, since Dane County Zoning requires all roads to be 66 ft. wide and the Town is purchasing an access road only 20 ft. wide. It is likely this will be placed on Dane County Zoning's September agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion/possible action regarding refunding license fees to the Utica Community Association.

Board Supervisor Jim Lowrey made a motion to refund the Utica Community Association's 2020 license fees. Board Supervisor Jeff Notstad seconded the motion.

The motion passed 3 – 0.

APPROVALS

- a. Vouchers (Bills)

Board Chair Maureen Lien made a motion to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$52,685.29. Board Supervisor Jim Lowrey seconded the motion.

The motion passed 3 – 0.

- b. Minutes

Board Supervisor Jeff Notstad made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2020 Regular Town Board meeting. Board Supervisor Jim Lowrey seconded the motion.

The motion passed 3 – 0.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Board Supervisor Jeff Notstad moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. Board Supervisor Jim Lowrey seconded the motion.

The motion passed 3 – 0.

*Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Wilson, Clerk/Treasurer*