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Annual Meeting Minutes from April 18, 2023

The Annual meeting of the Town of Brighton was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

All votes were made by voice vote and hand count where necessary.

There were twenty five (25) town residents, plus board members (4), in attendance. The meeting was held in the Brighton Town Hall 25000 Burlington Road, Kansasville.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Sue Crane introduced and thanked Board members, the Deputy Clerk as well as residents in attendance.

Tom Janetzki moved to approve the 2022 meeting minutes, Kim Springer-second, approved unanimously (29-0).

Michelle Kryszak moved to approve the 2022 Annual Financial Report. Jim Halladay-second, approved (29-0) Pete Weber asked what Capital Outlay encompasses and it was explained that this category includes the road resurfacing project on 41st Street in 2022. Jeff Kinzler asked about interest rates regarding the towns accounts. Pete Weber asked what Rental Income refers to and it was explained that this is from cell tower rental.

2022 Building Report was presented. Total valuation of building projects in 2022 was \$7,080,354.77. There were 13 new home permits issued. No motion made.

Kansasville Fire/Rescue Department Chief Ron Molnar gave an overview of events and equipment upgrades.

Chair Susan Crane made mention of the Burn Permit Protocol and requirements, residents are to contact Village of Salem Lakes Duty Officer at-262-620-3880.

Chair Crane summarized road work projects of 2022, explained the "road tour" and shared plans for future 2023 road work.

Chair Crane gave "State of the Town" Address. Summarized the outstanding survey response of last year. Mentioned Jeff Muenkel at Foth Planning helped to create the new land division ordinance alongside the Vision Committee, Plan Commission and the results of the survey. Chair Crane gave a brief summary of the new Land Division Ordinance, and explained that an additional ordinance was passed to pass the expense of

the planner onto the land owner instead of the town. A reminder was shared that the town is working with the county for building inspection, any building permit requests should be sent to bluestoneinspect@gmail.com. County Executive Samantha Kerkman has created an advisory committee to work on Broadband service for the area, Chair Crane has been asked to be on the committee.

Chair Crane gave "Brighton by the Numbers" for 2022;

There are 1461 residents of Brighton, 1088 Registered Voters, 589 (54%) voted at the April 4th, 2023 election, 8 dutiful election officials who continue to work ethically for the town, 7 devoted Plan Commissioner's who volunteer their time, 6 stray dogs were caught safely, 13 new home permits, ½ of 41st Street was resurfaced, the mill rate is \$1.49.

Any other business:

- Jeff Kinzler gave a brief summary as a Westosha Community High School board member, growth has increased, the staff did a wonderful job helping to maintain a safe, structured environment during covid so students could still attend class in the fall of 2020, improvements are on time and on budget.
- Bill Stone, a resident of 45 years, complimented the Plan Commission, the Vision of Brighton Committee and the Town Board and explained that the heart of the town desires the preservation of agriculture and the limiting of residential growth. Melissa Brand will manage Brighton Woods Orchard which will continue the positive impact of Agro-Tourism.

Tom Janetzki asked about the Border Agreements with Salem Lakes, Chair Crane explained there is a pause of the conversation with the changeover of the Board in Salem Lakes.

Chair Crane gave a speech explaining the desirability and the positive attributes of the Town of Brighton.

Chair Crane thanked Don Fox for his years of service to the town as the Building Inspector.

Chair Crane expressed her deepest gratitude to the outgoing Clerk-Treasurer Linda Perona for her 24 years of service to the town. Commenting that Linda has been the backbone of the community. She was an integral part of the time during her terms, committed to safe and accurate voting as a top priority, she is extremely knowledgeable and was a supportive presence for the Town Board, alongside being an advocate for the residents of Brighton and helping to maintain the positive attributes of Brighton.

The next Annual Town Meeting date is set for Tuesday, April 16, 2024. Note: Per Wisconsin State Statute 60.11(2), when the Annual Town Meeting is to be held on the third Tuesday in April, no motion needed.

Deb Larson moved to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. Pete Weber -second, approved unanimously (29-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Axton, Clerk-Treasurer, Town of Brighton