

TOWN OF MCMILLAN  
M403 ELM STREET MARSHFIELD, WI. 54449

**TOWN BOARD MEETING  
January 8, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Carolyn Opitz. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited during caucus.

ROLL CALL- Joe Burger, Dave Swenson, Carolyn Opitz, Gary Franz, Kevin Steines – Present

VISITORS – Justin Huebner of Solarus – requesting support from the Town of McMillan for a grant application to install utilities in Town of McMillan right of way.

COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE - None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Town Board Meeting of December 21, 2017 –Joe/Dave moved to approve the minutes of December 21, 2017.

DISCUSSION: None

Roll Call: Joe, Dave, Carolyn, Gary, Kevin – All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**REPORTS:**

PLAN COMMISSION – DEB DAVIS –Announced Meeting Jan 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. for conditional approval for Jehovah Witness Church.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT – ROD BAUER - Fire Department Report for the Town Board 1-8-18**

Number of calls to date:  
EMS Calls- 1 Medical Call  
Fire Calls – 3 Motor vehicle Accidents

The department has two members who have completed the one-year probation successfully. The two individuals are Kyle Kilty and Mykayla Gerretsen.

The training for this upcoming month will be going to the Marshfield Fire Station to familiarize ourselves with the ambulance and where things are placed on it.

The department has formed a Rescue Three committee. The committee discussed the utilization needs of the rig. This committee has met and researched replacement vehicles for the current Rescue Three. Rod will update under old business on the agenda of the Town Board meeting.

EMS Update: The EMS group will start their refresher this week at the station. We will also be hosting Stratford and other members of the community who need the EMT/EMR refresher also.

Fall Festival – The group has decided to hold another Fall Festival and have picked the band for 2018. The band is Jerry Schmidt's band.

Rod also discussed grants they wanted to apply for and requested the monies left from 2017 budget which is \$21,945.52, to be applied to fire dept. equipment CD.

**SUPERVISORS:**

CAROLYN OPITZ – Announced the new D.O.T. report for Galvin and HWY 97.

DAVID SWENSON - Announced Stadt Bridge weight limits have been reduced from 20 ton to 15 ton.

JOE BURGER – Update on new addressing system – the county will be starting in approx. April and finish in fall. The Town of McMillan is number 30 on the list.

GARY FRANZ – Would like newsletter articles by the March, 2018 meeting.

KEVIN STEINES – No Report.

CLERK/TREASURER – Motion was made Joe/Dave to approve check #15338 – 15389 to also include 15343 for \$150.00 which was missed on the printout and, EF #1733 – 1738 for a total amount of \$65,531.80. Also, asked for approval to print 6 settlement checks. No bank reconciliation was presented.

Roll Call: Joe, Dave, Carolyn, Gary, Kevin – All Ayes – Motion Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS;

Approve/Disapprove repair or replace Rescue 3. – Motion was made by Joe/Dave to go check out 1989 Truck and purchase if it meets proper qualifications and authorized Rod Bauer to purchase and not exceed \$27,000.00 to buy it.

DISCUSSION: Kevin was concerned on whether those going to get the truck had the proper license to drive the truck back home. Rod assured him he would check into this and make sure they did.

Roll Call: Joe, Dave, Carolyn – Ayes, Gary, Kevin – No – Motion Carried.

NEW BUSSINESS:

Discussion with residents on Birch Street – Discussion began with Birch Street residents presenting the attached proposal. In which they read thru and presented their concerns. After some bantering back and forth between residents and town board, they came to the agreement to have Tom Hardinger, (the town road engineer) assess the road to find out what the road would need for hard surface.

Approve/Disapprove Land line for Clerk's Office – Joe/Dave made the motion to approve.

Roll Call: Joe, Dave, Carolyn, Gary, Kevin – Aye – Motion Carried.

ADJOURN:

Kevin/Joe motion to adjourn - All Ayes – meeting adjourned at 9:45 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Debbie Derfus, Clerk

### Proposal for Surfacing Birch Street

- Whereas Town of McMillan has 17 roads already chip-sealed,
- Whereas Birch Street from County Hwy T to Day Road has been listed on the CIP as follows:
  - **2009** for upgrading
  - **2012** for hard-surfacing
  - **2015** for application of base layer (placed)
  - as well as many previous promises for paving of this road,
- Whereas Cayman and Gilead, already paved, are scheduled for blacktopping at a cost of \$137,200, as detailed in the minutes of the Town of McMillan Board Meeting dated Nov. 15, 2017,
- Whereas maintenance and repair of blacktop roads have the potential to be more costly to maintain than double chip-sealed roads,
- Whereas the citizens on Birch Street have procured an estimate of \$43,911 for double chip-sealing of Birch Street, understanding that prep work for chip-sealing of that road could be done by the current township equipment and personnel to ensure cost savings of the project, an estimate which would also have worked “within the budget of the General Transportation Aid and Shared Revenue Grant” as suggested as criteria for road improvement selection by Dave Swenson at the Town Board Meeting of Nov. 15, 2017,
- Whereas Drake Avenue, a majority agricultural road with 12 residences and 20 field-access driveways, is scheduled for blacktopping for 2 miles as listed in the CIP 2016-2021 document at a cost of \$420,000 in 2019 and \$420,000 in 2021,
- Whereas the said one mile of Birch Street, mainly residential with 14 private driveways and 5 field-access driveways and occasional agricultural traffic, provided the Town of McMillan \$40,057 according to the 2016 tax report compared to \$29,401 from the two miles of Drake Avenue scheduled to be blacktopped at significant cost to the township,
- Whereas Spruce and Willow, both dead-end roads, are listed in the CIP for chip-sealing in 2020, ahead of Birch Street,
- Whereas a grant was received for upgrading Birch Street in 2016, but assigned to another road project instead, and citizens at the Annual Budget Meeting on Dec. 22, 2016, voted to use highway funds budgeted and not used in 2016 for upgrading Birch Street,

the citizens of Birch Street from County Highway T to Day Road respectfully request that the Town of McMillan schedule this section of Birch Street for double chip-sealing in 2018 and request bids for this project in March of 2018.

