



Village of Black Earth

Village Board Meeting

1210 Mills St., Black Earth, WI 53515

December 3rd, 2024 | 6:00 p.m.

Minutes

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
Present: Moyer, Patchin, Louis-Reindl, Hodson, Helmenstine, Marks
Absent: Munson
Public: Tammy Adler
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Proof of Posting: A copy of the notice was delivered to the following By **Monday December 2nd, 2024**: emailed to the Editor of Star News, MBE CPA – Black Earth, and Lake Ridge Bank – Black Earth; posted at the Black Earth Municipal Building, Black Earth Post Office, and Black Earth Web Page. – Read in by Moyer
4. Public Hearing for Comprehensive Plan – Motion by Hodson to open into public hearing for comprehensive plan. Second by Louis-Reindl. Entered public hearing. No community input. Motion by Louis-Reindl to close public hearing. Second by Helmenstine. Hearing closed.
5. Public Hearing for 1803 East Street CUP – Motion by Patching to open public hearing for 1803 East Street CUP. Second by Hodson. No community input. Motion by Louis-Reindl to close hearing. Second by Helmenstine. Public hearing closed.
6. Public Comment (Please limit to 3 minutes) - None
7. Discussion/Action: Approval of Meeting Minutes from: 11/6/2024, 11/12/2024 and 11/21/2024. Motion by Hodson to approve the minutes as presented with a correction to November 6 minutes on line 10a. Amended motion by Hodson to include the change on the Budget Workshop line 5a to correct coma placement. Second by Helmenstine. Motion carried.
8. Discussion/Action: South St./Caminiti Utility Easement Update – No action taken
9. Discussion/Action: 1803 East Street CUP/rezone/CSM – Motion by Hodson to approve the 1803 East Street CUP/rezone/CSM as forwarded from the board of appeals. Second by Patchin. Motion carried.
10. Discussion/Action: (adoption via Ordinance) for Comp Plan – Motion by Hodson to approve the Comprehensive Plan presented by Vierbicher with the next numerical number of 2024-0-1. Second by Louis-Reindl. Motion carried. (6-0)
11. Discussion/Action: (adoption via resolution) on Housing Study – Motion to accept Resolution #2024-09 with striking the last sentence of the assessment ratio on page 17. Second by Helmenstine. Motion carried. (6-0)
12. Discussion/Action: Employees Unused Vacation Time From 2024 – Moved to after closed session. Motion by Hodson to approve the payout of vacation time for 2024. Second by Marks. Motion carried 5-1.
13. Discussion/Action: Resolution 2024-08 For Purchase of Parcel # 107/0806-2643-592-3 – Motion by Hodson to approve Resolution #2024-08 for the purchase of Parcel # 107/0806-2643-592-3. Second by Louis-Reindl. Motion carried.
14. Discussion/Action: ARPA Fund and Budget 2025 Update – No action taken
15. Discussion/Action: Invoices to be Paid - Motion by Helmenstine to approve the invoices as presented. Second by Hodson. Motion carried.
16. Motion to enter closed session pursuant to
 - a. Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(e), Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. (Sale of Parcel # 107/080626428315)
 - b. Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(c), Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.” (Considering Employment, promotion, compensation or performance) (Roll Call Vote)
Motion by Helmenstine to enter into closed session. Roll call taken: Moyer: yes, Helmenstine: yes, Hodson: yes, Louis-Reindl: yes, Patchin: yes, Marks: yes. Entered into close session 6:46pm
17. Motion to arise from Closed Session and reconvene in Open Session- Motion by Patchin to arise from closed session. Second by Helmenstine. Returned to open session 7:01pm
18. Discussion/Action: Closed Session items – Motion by Hodson to approve the new wages as presented. Second by Helmenstine. Motion carried. (5-1)
19. Committee Reports
 - a. Clerk/Treasurer & Financial Reports (Abegglen) – Shared revenue from the state was deposited on 11/18. Mill rate worksheet has been submitted to the county.
 - b. Vanguard Commission – Met on 11/14 and are currently looking for a lineman to hire.
 - c. Electrical Superintendent Report (Meier) – None.
 - d. Black Earth Fire District – Met on 11/13 and will be billing on false alarms. Next meeting is 1/16/2025
 - e. Dane-Iowa Wastewater Commission – Met on 11/19 with no violation to report. Next meeting 12/19/24
 - f. Economic Development Committee- None.
 - g. Emergency Management – None.
 - h. EMS Committee – Next meeting 1/9/24

- i. Gateway to the Driftless – None.
 - j. Library Board – Silent auction is going on now. Approved the hiring of a new director pending. Next meeting 12/17/24
 - k. Library Director Report - None
 - l. President's Report (Moyer) – Handbook review is a priority.
 - m. Public Works Director Report (Kahl) – Water letters had gone out to residents as instructed by the DNR.
 - n. Public Works Committee – Next meeting 1/27/25
 - o. Parks Committee – All parks have been winterized. Next meeting 1/13/25
 - p. Police Committee - None
- 20.** Any other business that may be brought before the board on future agendas. None.
- 21.** Setting of the Next Village Board Meeting: Tuesday January 7th, 2025.
- 22.** Adjournment – Motion by Hodson to adjourn. Second by Patchin. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm