

7-15-2024

## **Sanitation/Planning & Zoning/Animal Control**

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by James Kuhn in the Monroe County Board Assembly Room 1<sup>st</sup> Floor - Room #1200, 210 W. Oak Street.

Present: James Kuhn, Mary Cook, Remy Gomez, and Cedric Schnitzler and Todd Sparks.

Also Present: Alison Elliott-Sanitation, Zoning, and Animal Control Director, Roxie Anderson-Monroe County Land Use Planner.

### **Possible Corrections and Approval of June 17, 2024 Meeting Minutes.**

A **motion** was made by Cedric Schnitzler, seconded by Mary Cook, to approve the minutes from June 17, 2024. Motion carried: 5-0.

### **Public Hearings-None**

Alison introduced our new employee to the Committee. Lila Burnett started July 1<sup>st</sup> as a sanitation and zoning specialist. Welcome Lila.

### **Sanitation & Zoning Dept Questions & Updates**

#### **FEMA Buyout Grant update**

Update from Wisconsin Emergency Management. They will be sending final paperwork to FEMA this week. FEMA then has 1-3 months to review and issue the final closed out approval.

#### **Open Space Management Plan**

Roxy Anderson was present from Land Conservation. Roxy explained that all of the properties have certain restrictions. This plan lays out where the properties are and what proposed uses could be as well as the maintenance plan for each property. Roxy went through the draft plan. A final draft along with the Resolution for adoption will be brought to both the Sanitation and Zoning Committee and Natural Resources and Extension Committee in August. It will then be forwarded to the full County Board for approval.

Cedric wanted to make sure each property has a fire number for emergency purposes.

#### **Septic System requirements for new dwellings Privy/non-plumbing permit inspections and maintenance**

Alison provided the Committee with a handout in their packet of the State and County regulations. Alison explained the religious waiver the State grants for Amish pertaining to interior plumbing, electric and safety building codes allowing them to disregard those codes. Alison also explained the religious waiver does not pertain to exterior plumbing (septic) regulations.

Alison explained briefly some of the basic regulations for a vault privy. It has to have a minimum 200 gallon sealed vault under privy and be pumped by a state licensed septage hauler.

It was mentioned that Juneau and Dane County both have ordinances regulating under what circumstance a vault privy is allowed to be utilized. The Committee instructed Alison to research those ordinances and provide the Committee with that information.

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Mary Roets was present, Town Treasurer from the Town of Glendale. She gave the Committee a handout regarding ordinances that she felt were being violated by the County. Cedric requested the handout be given to Corporation Counsel for response.

Ms. Roets expressed several concerns regarding her neighbors. These concerns were:

- can't open windows anymore because of smoke and other smells
- people are not following ordinances
- multiple properties around here have indoor plumbing without a place for waste water to go.
- flooding in yard and field around the neighboring houses and other structures polluting groundwater.

**Animal Control Dept Questions & Updates**

Nothing to discuss at this time.

**2025 Department Budgets**

Discussion was held.

**Financial Report**

**FINANCIAL REPORT - VOUCHERS - INTER-DEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS – CREDIT CARD EXPENDITURES – LINE ITEM TRANSFERS – BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS**

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Department Vouchers		Interdepartmental Transfers		Credit Card Voucher	
Sanitation	1903.31	Sanitation		Sanitation Credit	
Zoning	89.54	Zoning		Zoning	7.40
Dog Control BOA	6,621.44	Dog Control		Dog Control LR	443.95
	3,984.98				
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,599.27</b>				<b>451.35</b>

**Set Date for Next Meeting and Possible Agenda Items.**

The next meeting will be held Monday, August 19, 2024 and will start at 6:00 pm in the Monroe County Justice Center Monroe County Board Assembly Room 1<sup>st</sup> Floor - Room #1200, 210 W Oak Street, Sparta, WI 54656.

A **motion** to adjourn was made by Remy Gomez, seconded by Mary Cook. Motion carried: 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

*Recorded by Cassie Cunitz*

The minutes are not official until approved by the Zoning Committee at their next regular meeting.