

TOWN OF RIB MOUNTAIN

Public Safety Committee Meeting

July 2, 2019

Committee Chairman Brad Conklin called the meeting of the Rib Mountain Public Safety Committee to order at 5:00 p.m. at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center, 3700 North Mountain Road. Other members present included Allen Opall and Jim Legner.

Also present were Supervisors Fred Schaefer and Gerry Klein, Town Administrator Gaylene Rhoden, Clerk Joanne Ruechel, Street/Park Superintendent Scott Turner, Community Development Director Steve Kunst, Finance Director Nicole Dunbar, and Town Attorney Dean Dietrich.

On June 28, 2019 copies of the meeting notice were made available to the media, Town Board, Town Attorney and posted at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center and Town website.

Approve Minutes of May 21, 2019 – Motion by Legner/Opall to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2019 Public Safety Committee meeting. Questioned and carried 3:0.

Discussion of Nuisance Properties within the Town of Rib Mountain- Administrator Rhoden stated that one house on Tulip has been making progress. One property owner asked for more time to complete the cleanup work. We do have an agreement with two property owners and they are working on their properties. Administrator Rhoden anticipates that one property owner in the Town we may need to take to court. On the final property, the owner has vacated the property and we cannot get ahold of him and we will need to determine what to do next.

Discussion and Recommendation on Mobile Pickup of Alcohol- Attorney Dietrich stated that Walmart submitted a request for a revised alcohol license. Currently they do sell food online and customers pick up the orders in the parking lot of the store. This revised license would allow Walmart to sell alcohol online as well and allow customers to pick up the orders in the parking lot of the store. Attorney Dietrich stated that some municipalities put restrictions on the store concerning hours of pickup and the manner in which customers can order and receive the alcohol as well. Lindsey Urban, a representative from Walmart, stated that there will be more cameras added to the canopy area of the parking lot where the purchasing and pickup area will be. The camera will take still pictures and videos of the area. She also stated that the pickup times would be between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. and would only be done during those hours. There would be no alcohol sale orders accepted after 3:00 p.m. everyday. Ms. Urban stated that the people delivering the alcohol to the vehicle would be Walmart employees and have an alcohol operator's license issued by the Town. The employee must see the customers id and put in the customers date of birth or the transaction would be voided. Administrator Rhoden stated that there will be state legislation coming through to regulate the sale of online alcohol.

Motion by Opall/Legner to recommend the amended alcohol license for Walmart at 4300 Rib Mountain Drive for Town Board approval. Questioned and carried 3:0.

Discussion and Recommendation on No Parking on Buttercup Road- Street and Park Superintendent Turner stated that he received a request from the residents on Buttercup Road to mark the road as "No Parking". There is a Residential Care Facility located on Buttercup Road and several of the employees have parked on the street creating an issue for the other residents who live on the street as well as the Public Works Department. At times, the cars have created an issue for snow removal. Michael Chartrand who lives at 7806 Buttercup Road was present and made a statement regarding the parking. He stated that he has spoken with the Residential Care Facility employees many times and he stated that he cannot back his vehicle into his driveway when cars are parked on the road.

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The Public Safety Committee discussed if the Residential Care Facility had appropriate parking for their employees to safely park off of the road. The Committee also discussed posting one side of the road as “No Parking” instead of the entire road.

Motion by Legner/Opall to post Buttercup Road as “No Parking” on both sides of the street. Questioned and carried 3:0.

Discussion and Recommendation on No Parking on Bluebird Lane- Administrator Rhoden stated that we have had several complaints from residents regarding the parking on Bluebird Lane. There is a business located on Bluebird Lane that has limited parking spots. Some customers choose to park on Bluebird Lane creating a traffic hazard.

The Public Safety Committee discussed allowing alternate parking on the even or odd side of the street depending on the day. The street signs on Bluebird Lane would state where to park on which day. The proposal would cover putting signs up from Rib Mountain Drive to Dove Avenue.

Motion by Legner/Conklin to approve putting “No Parking” signs on Bluebird Lane alternating days between north side odd and south side even from Rib Mountain Drive to Dove Avenue. Questioned and carried 3:0.

Discussion and Recommendation on Reassignment of Crossing Guards for 2019/2020 School Year- It was stated by Administrator Rhoden that the number of children crossing the road at County Road NN and Partridge has dropped to almost nothing. The Code Enforcement Officer and Town Administrator have discussed moving the Crossing Guard to the area of South Mountain Elementary School. Both elementary school principals are in favor of moving the Crossing Guard. This would be the first adult Crossing Guard at South Mountain Elementary School.

Motion by Legner/Opall to relocate the Crossing Guard from Rib Mountain Elementary School to South Mountain Elementary School effective the start of the 2019/2020 School Year. Questioned and carried 3:0.

Adjourn Meeting – **Motion by Opall/Legner to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 p.m. Questioned and carried 3:0.**

Submitted by:
Joanne Ruechel
Clerk

Note: These minutes are not to be considered official until acted upon at an upcoming regular meeting, therefore, they are subject to revision.