

**TOWN OF GIBRALTAR
SPECIAL MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 2021
GIBRALTAR TOWN CENTER
4097 HIGHWAY 42, FISH CREEK WI 54212
6:00 PM**

Approved: May 5, 2021

Call to order: Steve Sohns, chairman called the Special Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll call/quorum:

Present: Steve Sohns, Bill Johnson, Tim Luetgen, Brian Merkel, and Jayson Merkel

Absent: None

Agenda/proper notice/adopt agenda: Sohns confirmed the agenda had been properly noticed.

Motion: (Johnson, B. Merkel) to adopt the agenda as posted. Carried

Driveway Variance Request: Calvin Akin, 9251 Cottage Row, Parcel # 014-02-31312711C: No action is needed on the driveway variance request.

Adopt Ordinance #2021-03 Amending Ordinance 89-03 Regarding Regulation of Moorings and

Mooring Permits: Dave Harris, Harbor Commission Chairman stated the commission met and by amending this ordinance it resolves a number of mooring issues. This brings all the moorings in house. No additional insurance is needed due to the liability waiver. This is consistent with other municipalities in the county.

Insurance and liability issues have been worked through the attorney. A new liability release has been created for mooring holders. *Motion: (Johnson, B. Merkel) to adopt Ordinance #2021-03 Amending Ordinance 89-03 Regarding Regulation of Moorings and Mooring Permits. Carried*

Charter/Spectrum Road Construction Consideration on Lower Cottage Row Road: Kurt Little, Construction Supervisor for Spectrum presented the construction request. He stated the idea is to rock saw down the road. The primary concern is the location of the sewer. Bill Weddig stated it is primarily on the bay side of the road with the exception of a few laterals. Bill Johnson stated that Baudhuin would have done the as-builts. Spectrum will be putting pedestals alongside of the WPS poles. The anticipated timeframe is 8-10 weeks in early summer.

The town may have to hold off repaving until fall. The concern is not to have sags in the road. The road has 2 layers but no base to speak of. Jim Nelson did not anticipate issues with a bit of slowdown of traffic due to cuts. Kurt said the sawing will be staying as far to the bluff side as possible. There are some areas where it will be off the road. Cut depth will be 18-24". Timing is correct in relation to road construction. Brian's concern is who is held responsible for compaction and settling. Should there be a longer term of responsibility from the vendor, possibly 1-2 years. Kurt said, with the vendor they have 24 months of the project, after that the municipality would come after Charter. Brian stated that maybe Cedar should take a look at this. Steve will talk to Cedar and Brett Guillette about it. The engineer from Spectrum was requested to mark out where the curb stops are located. Kurt will send the design to Steve. *Motion: (Johnson, B. Merkel) to approve Spectrum's request to do the road cutting to lay their internet cable in and that they follow the road ordinance without slurry. We will look at the time in terms of the compaction requirement in the ordinance. Carried*

Special Event Request: Tracy Alpert "Explosions of Fun" Fireworks, July 3, 2021, Use of Clark Park, Closure of portion of Spruce Street, barge loading at Fish Creek Town Dock:

Tracy Alpert would have a VIP party catered by Alexanders on her yard, this is not part of the request. FCCA does not want to participate in the event. Alpert has Mike Kahr for fireworks loading on the 3rd and offloading the following week. Weborg's trap net boat will be loading up in Gills Rock. Dave Harris stated the logistics are much easier. The loading and unloading get done during the week. Speilbauers is doing the fireworks. Dock staff will need to be on until 11 p.m. or midnight. Even though this is a private event it becomes a town event of sorts. A safety meeting will be needed at 8 p.m. as has been done in the past: Dave, Andy, Ryan, Coast Guard, Mike Neal DNR. Mike Kahr wants this event to go off without any issues. If Tracy wants portables, it would be fine to place on Cedar Street. Block party theme by blocking off Cedar Court from Spruce to Maple with barricades the day of the event 7:30 a.m. – 11 p.m. Tracy to move barricades off after 11 p.m. *Motion: (Johnson, B. Merkel) move to approve the event request with the expectation that the DNR and Coast Guard will be involved, and that all permits are properly executed and received. The band will be playing from 5:30 -9:30 p.m. port-a-potties are permitted, Cedar Court will be closed 7a.m. -11p.m. from Spruce Street to Maple Street. Fire and police will also be coordinated with the DNR, Coast Guard and Harbor. Carried*

Consideration of village area upgrades Grand Opening event: Karlie presented a conceptual idea – a block party style event at the beach. A tentative date of Sunday Aug 22nd from Noon to 2 p.m. is being recommended. Potentially other organizations could be involved pending restrictions. There can be other activities spread throughout town - parking lot, Noble Square, etc. Denise stated that the big questions for an event like this are the where and when. Parking lot to beach to Noble Square with ribbon cutting with water backdrop (best for photo opportunities). The concern for an earlier date is the potential of the projects not being left time to settle i.e., sod and other landscaping; August 22nd is a better option. Steve stated a granite rock from his family farm will be used and a plaque commemorating the projects. Project companies will pay for all the verbiage on the plaque. Parks & Lands will make the determination on the final location for the rock. The Civic Association will take care of invitations to residents.

Adjourn: *Motion: (Johnson, B. Merkel) to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. Carried*

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Hagen
Clerk