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**TOWN OF GIBRALTAR
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JULY 5, 2023
GIBRALTAR TOWN CENTER
4097 HIGHWAY 42, FISH CREEK WI 54212
7:00 PM**

Approved: August 2, 2023

Call to order: Steve Sohns called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call/quorum:

Board members present: Steve Sohns, Jayson Merkel, Tom Birmingham, Vinni Chomeau, and John Selenica

Board member(s) absent: None

Adopt agenda: *Motion: (Birmingham, Chomeau) to approve the agenda as presented. Carried.*

Approve minutes of previous meeting(s): *Motion: (Birmingham, Merkel) to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2023, regular meeting, as amended. Carried. Motion: (Chomeau, Merkel) to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2023 special meeting as written. Carried*

Committee/Commission Reports:

Parks & Lands: No report

Fire Department/EMR: Bertges reported 33 calls, up 43% in June. 3 brush fires contained to the properties. Work on the Engine.

Law Enforcement: Thyssen reported for Chief Roesch. The lightning strike caused significant damage to some of his equipment. 2 drone deployments and attended EVOG training. Received a donation from Belco vehicle. Managed the Hairpin and survived another 4th weekend.

VFC: No report

Noble House: No report

Airport: No report.

Watershed: No report

Planning Commission: No report

Harbor Commission: No report

Door County Tourism Zone: Weddig reported they met for the annual meeting in Baileys Harbor and reviewed the 2022 financial report. Up about 5% over 2021. YTD down a little through April. The financial report is available online.

Building Committee: No report.

Coastal Byways: Murre reported the Committee is working on updating the sponsorships for the coloring book.

Broadband Ad-Hoc Committee: No report

Clerk: Murre reported the Town Offices were hit by lightning last Sunday. We are still not completely up and running and finding new things that have been affected along the way. Please be patient as we get things going.

Treasurer: No report

Administrator: Thyssen reported the fence at the beach is complete. The hatch is complete at the Chambers Island Lighthouse. Working on a solution at the beach for the manhole. Will be starting initial budget process with dept heads. Sister Bay decided not to move forward with the police proposal.

Chairman: Sohns reported the TAP grant was approved for our portion of the trail study. The Town will receive \$108,376.

Governor Evers signed the shared revenue revamp. The Town will get an additional \$51,000.

PPT is no more but will continue to get funds next year.

Looking for candidates to fill the vacant Sanitary District seat.

1 **Public Comment:** Tom Birmingham stated the Traffic Utility Fee has been deemed illegal by the WI
2 Supreme Court. Requests to have it on the August agenda on how the Town should proceed.

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4 **Ad-hoc Broadband Committee Presentation, Recommendation and Discussion:** Bob Grawien and
5 Bill Wessels provided a recap of the committee’s work over the past few months.

6 This is a partnership with the ISP and the committee recommends Bertram Communications
7 *Motion: (Merkel, Birmingham) to accept the committee recommendations and direct staff to conduct*
8 *public informational meetings, to move the project forward. Carried*

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10 **Consideration of Above Quota Liquor License for the Northern Sky Theater:** Northern Sky Theater
11 is now eligible and has applied for an above quota liquor license. *Motion: (Selenica, Chomeau) to*
12 *approve the above quota liquor license for Northern Sky Theater. Carried*

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14 **Approve 2023-24 Operators Licenses:** *Motion: (Merkel, Selenica) to approve all operators licenses*
15 *except Daniel Gampka, at this time. Carried*

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17 **Consideration of Right of First Refusal for Hangar C-6, Brian Ehlert:** *Motion: (Birmingham,*
18 *Selenica) to pass on our right of first refusal. Carried*

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20 **Consideration of Sale of Hangar C-6 to William Mojica:** *Motion: (Merkel, Birmingham) to approve*
21 *the sale of Hangar C-6 to William Mojica. Carried*

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23 **Consideration of Lease Agreement for Hangar C-6 with William Mojica:** *Motion: (Birmingham,*
24 *Selenica) to approve the lease agreement for Hangar C-6 with William Mojica. Carried*

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26 **Consideration of Outdoor Display Ordinance – Discussion Only:** The Board reviewed the draft
27 outdoor display ordinance. Merchandise only allowed within 36” has been removed.
28 Merchandise on a mannequin of good taste – removed, to say torso
29 The intent is to try to control the aesthetic of the Town.
30 It is recommended the Plan Commission revisit.
31 Needs to be simplified.

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33 **Acceptance of Gifted 6.32 Acres from Marise Redman Contingent on Land Purchase Approval:**
34 Thyssen presented the site plan of the property. Marise Redman is donating 6.32 acres with the
35 acquisition of the Fish Creek Park expansion.
36 *Motion: (Birmingham, Selenica) to accept the land donation contingent upon elector approval for the*
37 *overall purchase of the property. Carried*

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39 **Consideration of Sugar Bush Ct. ROW Acceptance:** Jim Friel has requested the Town take over Sugar
40 Bush Ct.
41 *Motion: (Birmingham, Chomeau) to accept the road if it was brought up to Town standards. Carried, J.*
42 *Merkel and John Selenica opposed.*

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44 **Schedule Meeting of the Electors:** *Motion: (Birmingham, Merkel) to schedule the meeting of the*
45 *electors for July 26th at 6 PM at the Gibraltar Fire Station. Carried*
46 2 informational meetings will be held by staff.

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48 **Set Road Review Date:** *Motion: (Sohns, Selenica) to schedule the road review for Monday, July 24th at 6*
49 *AM. Carried*

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51 **Schedule Chambers Island Review Date:** *Motion: (Sohns, Chomeau) to schedule the Chambers Island*
52 *review for Wednesday, July 12th at 3:30 PM. Carried*

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2 **Consideration of Peninsula Players Rd Speed Limit:** *Motion: (Merkel, Chomeau) to direct staff to*
3 *conduct a speed study for Peninsula Players Rd. Carried*
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5 **Approve Ordinance 2023-04 Adopting Comprehensive Plan:** *Motion: (Merkel, Selenica) to approve*
6 *Ordinance 2023-04 Adopting the Comprehensive Plan. Carried.*
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8 **Appoint Supervisors to Budget Committee:** *Motion: (Selenica, Merkel) to appoint Tom Birmingham*
9 *and Vinni Chomeau to the Budget Committee. Carried, Birmingham and Chomeau abstained.*
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12 **Consideration of Acorn Tree Service Estimate:** *Motion: (Birmingham, Selenica) to approve the Acorn*
13 *Tree Service Estimate. Carried*
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15 **Payment of Bills:** *Motion: (Birmingham, Chomeau) to approve the payment of bills. Carried*
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17 **Adjourn:** *Motion: (Chomeau, Birmingham) to adjourn at 10:45 p.m. Carried*
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19 Respectfully submitted,
20 Kelly Murre, Clerk