Minutes of July 27, 2021 Germantown Town Board workshop held at the Pavilion in Palatine Park, commencing at 6:00pm.

Present: Supervisor Beaury
Councilman Sullivan
Councilman Kukon
Councilmember Suarez
Councilman Christian

Recorded by: Town Clerk, Joyce Vale

Present from the Sportsman’s Club:
Phil Williams
Jason Hagadone
Richard Hinkein
Dave Fingar
Fay Johnson Jr.
Jess Yoli
Tracey Bowser
Rick Cort

Supervisor Beaury welcomed everyone to the workshop and then Led with the Pledge to the Flag.

Motion to open the workshop made by Councilman Sullivan, seconded by Councilman Kukon, with all in favor and none opposed.

Fay Johnson opened by saying the Sportsman’s would like to keep people from swimming at their site. In 1983 a Local Law was written stating no swimming and that the Sportsmen had to enforce the rule. Over the last few years, more and more people are swimming there.

Supervisor Beaury said they can look into taking out the language that the Sportsman’s are responsible for enforcing the rule. Dave Fingar suggested stating the Sportsman’s are not to enforce no swimming.

Supervisor Beaury said that proper signage is needed. He also said the Sportsman’s should check on their current insurance with Fingar Insurance.

Supervisor Beaury asked the Sportsman’s to put a message on their Facebook page to make sure everyone is protected. The Town will consider doing the same.

Dave Fingar asked if the Town Board could come up with the language for the signs.

Councilmember Suarez asked who enforces it even when the signage is in place and people still swim there?

Councilman Sullivan suggested mail chimp to spread the word.

Dale Hinkein said the Sportsman’s are looking for support from the Town in this matter. Dale also said the beach can only be used to launch a canoe or kayak.

Tracey Bowser resides on Dales Bridge and is a neighbor to the Roe Jan. Tracey said that people are taking the fencing down and going down to the creek from her property.

The Town Board and Sportsman’s will meet on site and take a look.

Phil Williams mentioned that there is a letter written from 1995 stating the gate and bathrooms will be open on Saturday & Sunday in July.

Supervisor Beaury said the next steps will have the Parks Commission and LWRP look into the signage.

Jess Yoli asked if the Town could put this on their website.

Supervisor Beaury said the next steps are language for the signs, insurance verification and visiting the site.
Dave Fingar asked when is the follow up meeting?

Date was set for August 4, 2021, at 5:00pm at the Pavilion on Dale’s Bridge Road.

Before closing Councilmember Suarez asked if there were any other issues since this was a workshop. There were no further issues.

Motion to close the workshop made by Councilman Kukon, seconded by Councilman Sullivan with all in favor and none opposed.

Workshop closed at 6:32pm.

Respectfully submitted,