

May 1, 2013 Regular Town Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the Town Board was called to order by Chairman Gaulke at 3:00 p.m.. Supervisors Ginger Schwanebeck, Bryan Hoover, Treasurer Irene Messinger, and Clerk Nancy Edwards were present.

Others present: Eric Johnson from FYI, Brian Jopek from the Lakeland Times, Kay Hoff, Colette Welch, Harold Jackson, Jim Sommerfeldt, Wilbur and Ruth Werling, Tom Wegner, Mike Christensen, Pete Kolzow, Tom Loewe, Greg Lisner, Teri Shaw.

This meeting was properly posted and the media notified as required by law.

Motion by Mr. Hoover, and seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve the agenda. The motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Schwanebeck, and seconded by Mr. Hoover to approve voucher numbers 45842-45873 from the General Fund account. Motion carried.

Request from Mr. Hoover to amend the April 17, 2013 minutes as follows: In the second to last paragraph it is stated **After all Concerns were voiced**, Mr. Hoover stated he heard after the meeting from others present they still had concerns they wish they could have voiced. With that in mind, motion by Mrs. Schwanebeck seconded by Mr. Hoover to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2013 meeting. Motion carried.

Treasurer Messinger provided her report on the financial status as follows: Reconciled balance of the General fund as of 4/30/2013 as \$767,256.84. Reconciled balance of the Ambulance Fund as of 4/30/2013 as \$658,205.72. No other activity was noted.

Motion by Mrs. Schwanebeck seconded by Mr. Hoover to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Road Crew Policies and Procedures: Mr. Gaulke explained that the decision of when to plow is usually made between calls made to the road crew foreman and himself. Decisions are made based on amounts expected, when weather is expected to break and road conditions due to possible road limits. It is noted that sanding and salting is generally only done on hills/intersections/stops and curves. During the summer the road crew is busy patching, brushing, doing shoulder work. Mr. Gaulke stated that regardless of what was printed in the paper our road crew is allowed to have overtime if needed.

Airport Commissioner: Mr. Christensen has agreed to continue to be the airport commissioner representing the Town of Lac du Flambeau.

Fleet Safety Program: The clerk explained we were asked by our insurance carrier to appoint one of our employees as a Fleet Safety Program Coordinator. This person would be responsible for seeing all

vehicles are following the procedures outlined in the safety program procedures. Peter Kolzow of the road crew has accepted the assignment. Motion by Mr. Hoover seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to appoint Peter Kolzow as the Fleet Safety Program Coordinator. Motion carried.

Letters and Communication: Suggestion was made to include as a regular agenda item a time to read letters and communication items sent to the town hall. After brief discussion Mr. Gaulke stated the current practice is the clerk copies all correspondence of importance and it is placed in the folders assigned to the supervisors. If there is an item that warrants placement on the agenda it is reviewed by him for consideration to be placed on the next agenda. Motion by Mrs. Schwanebeck seconded by Mr. Gaulke to not have letters and communication as a regular agenda item. Discussion: Mr. Hoover still feels the item is of importance and that we are over thinking the request. Mr. Gaulke asked for a vote. Mrs. Schwanebeck aye, Mr. Gaulke aye, Mr. Hoover opposed. Motion carried.

Town Board Meeting dates and times: Discussion regarding the dates and times of the regular board meetings was held. After listening to the pros and cons of changing the dates or times a motion by Mrs. Schwanebeck seconded by Mr. Gaulke to continue with the current schedule of holding the regular town board meetings the first and third Wednesday of the month at 3:00 p.m unless something comes up when we would need to schedule an alternate time or date. Discussion: Mr. Hoover feels it is discouraging to the community to hold the meetings at that time. Mr. Gaulke asked for a vote. Mrs. Schwanebeck aye, Mr. Gaulke aye, Mr. Hoover opposed. Motion carried.

Sale of Fill from Town Property- HWY 47 Project: Mr. Gaulke stated he was approached by his employer Pitlik and Wick with a proposal to the town to sell 20,000 yards of fill to be replaced with 10,000 yards of waste fill for the Hwy 47 project. Mr. Gaulke gave the board copies of the aerial view of the site located by the town land by the transfer station along with a copy of the state statute 85.193 allowing this to be done without town zoning applications. The rate is approx. \$1.50 yard for the fill and approx. .50 yard for the waste fill coming back in. Mr. Gaulke states he is removing himself from the room to avoid any conflict of interest. Mr. Hoover and Mrs. Schwanebeck will need to make the decision if they want the town to proceed. Mrs. Schwanebeck stated there is no need for Mr. Gaulke to leave the room because she is opposed to the idea. She stated we do not know what the future is for that property and does not want to do something that could complicate a future project. Motion by Mr. Hoover to deny the request to sell fill from the town property, seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck. Discussion: Mr. Hoover asked some very general information about the project. Mr. Gaulke called for a vote. Mrs.

Schwanebeck aye, Mr. Hoover aye. Motion carried with Mr. Gaulke abstaining to avoid any conflict of interest.

Designation of Financial Depositories: Motion by Mrs. Schwanebeck to designate Citizen's Bank, River Valley Bank, BMO Harris Bank and any other financial institution that the treasurer deems advantageous for depositing town funds. Motion seconded by Mr. Hoover. Motion Carried.

Designation of Notice of Publications: Motion by Mr. Hoover to designate the Lakeland Times as our official publication notice paper. Motion seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hoover to adjourn at 4:01 seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Edwards
Town Clerk