

## August 5, 2015 Regular Town Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the Town Board was called to order by Chairman Gaulke at 10:00 a.m. Supervisors Chris Mayer, Ginger Schwanebeck, Treasurer Irene Messinger and Clerk Nancy Edwards were present. Others present: Mike Strasburg from Lakeland Times, Kay Hoff, Tom Wegner, Norm Wetzell, Jim Sommerfeldt

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

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

Motion by Mr. Mayer and seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve voucher numbers 47896-47926 from the General Fund account, voucher numbers 1634-1639 from the ambulance fund. Motion carried.

The minutes of the July 15, 2015 Regular Town Board meeting were presented for approval. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer Messinger provided her report on the financial status as follows: Un-reconciled balance of the General fund as of 07/31/2015 as \$815,793.86. Un-reconciled balance of the Ambulance Fund as of 07/31/2015 as \$403,329.61. We should receive the August settlement later this month. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

**Timber sale on LDF property:** Mr. Gaulke reported he was contacted by Tim Friedrich from the DNR forestry program regarding a timber cut on LDF property by the transfer station. This property was put into a forestry program many years ago and it is due for a timber sale and cut. We will need to advertise for a logger and get bids for this project and Tim Friedrich and Jake Bonack will assist us in the project details. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to obtain getting bids for the timber cut project with the help of the DNR. Motion Carried.

**Indian Bowl Project:** The town was contacted by Tom Maulson and Tom Gallagher (Project Director of the Waaswaaganing Indian Bowl project) for a small contribution for the Indian Bowl fundraising project presentation held on July 30, 2015. Mr. Gallagher has presented the board with some receipts for materials purchased for the presentation in the amount of \$293.05. Mr. Gaulke stated we do have some budgeted money in the youth fund that we could use for this purpose. Motion by Mrs. Schwanebeck seconded by Mr. Mayer to approve payment to Mr. Gallagher for the requested amount of \$293.05. Motion carried.

**Environmental Assessment-Leased Land/Salt-Sand Pile:** The town received a letter from Henry St. Germaine regarding the 5 ½ acres the town has been leasing from the tribe which has expired. The town stores our sand/salt pile on that land for winter use. Because of that the tribe is asking the town to do a (Phase I ESA) Environmental site assessment on the property for possible contamination. The tribe currently has two quotes from companies willing to do the assessment. One quote from Barr Engineering for approximately \$16,500 and another quote from Weston Solutions Inc. for approximately \$26,856. Attorney Adams has contacted our office

and requested a response by 8/1/2015. Attorney Adams was called and we explained our next board meeting was not until 8/5/15. He said that would be fine and let him know the outcome of the town board decision. Mr. Gaulke stated there is an asphalt pad where the material has been stored. This site is inspected each year by the DOT. The question to the board is do we want to proceed or get some additional quotes. Two companies Mr. Gaulke was familiar with are MSA and Coleman Engineering out of Ironwood. Mr. Mayer suggested we solicit additional quotes to keep it competitive. Mr. Mayer suggested we put on a future agenda the need to move the storage site to our own property, perhaps at the transfer station site. Mr. Mayer suggested we contact our insurance company to see if there would be any coverage for the study. Mrs. Schwanebeck stated that there is not going to be a hatchery contract this year as the hatchery is under construction and perhaps that budgeted item can help offset any charges incurred for the study. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck for Chairman Gaulke to get quotes and timelines for the environmental study needed. Motion carried. Regarding the lease property. Mrs. Schwanebeck would like the boundary lines marked. Mr. Gaulke thought it was surveyed not too long ago. We will put this discussion on the next agenda.

**Bartenders License Applications for approval:** Bartender application was received from Joseph G. Albertini. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve the application as presented. Motion carried. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to adjourn at 10:20 a.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Edwards  
Town Clerk