

## March 2, 2016 Regular Town Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the Town Board was called to order by Chairman Gaulke at 1:00 p.m. Supervisors Chris Mayer, Ginger Schwanebeck, Treasurer Irene Messinger and Clerk Nancy Edwards were present.

Others present: Eric Johnson from FYI, Jim Sommerfeldt, Tom Wegner, Mike Strasburg from the Lakeland Times, Kristen Peterson, Agnes Jack, Raquel Bell Zortman, Maxine Gaines, Scott Smith, Kay Hoff.

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

Pledge of Allegiance:

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 48404-48455 from the General Fund account, 5262-5265 from the River Valley Tax Refund Account, 1662-1665 Ambulance Fund Account. Motion carried.

The minutes of the February 17, 2016 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: Reconciled balance of the General fund as of 02/29/2016 as \$1,029,659.63. Reconciled balance of the Ambulance Fund as of 02/29/2016 as \$420,797.87. The February Settlement has been done. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

**Discussion Firework Sales Ordinance:** Mr. Gaulke stated at the last meeting he was asked to check into what the county had for regulation of firework sales. Matt spoke with the Clerk Dave Alleman who stated that the county follows state law which would be enforceable by the Vilas County Sheriff. Handouts were available of the Wisconsin Fireworks Law 2014, Chapter 167 of the State Statutes and the county does have in their ordinances under Public Peace and order: (9.07) Regulation of Fireworks. Mrs. Schwanebeck is still leaning towards having an ordinance banning the sale of fireworks on fee land in Lac du Flambeau mainly because of safety issues and proper permits being issued. After further discussion with the tribal committee on safety and their concerns Mr. Gaulke explained if we go the route of banning the sales we will have the obligation of checking with our Town Attorney regarding the owner of the business on Highway 70 that does sell fireworks and if that building would be grandfathered. Before we go ahead with an ordinance we have to see where we stand on that issue. Mr. Gaulke will check with the attorney and we will again put this on an upcoming agenda.

**Bartenders License Application for approval:** Bartender application was received from Gary Hildebrand. Motion by Mrs. Schwanebeck seconded by Mr. Mayer to approve the application as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to adjourn at 1:27 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Edwards  
Town Clerk