

Town Board Meeting June 28, 2011

The Town Board meeting was called to order at 7:30pm. All board members were present.

The minutes from the June 7th meeting were read. Motion made by Mulder to approve the minutes with two corrections, seconded by Kirchner.

Public Concerns:

- Tom Brindley shared his concerns that the ATC Badger Coulee has included a route through our township in their proposal to erect a high voltage power line between Madison and Minnesota. He cited safety, health concerns and the fear that property values would drop in the area. Chairman Hesse noted that town officials have attended informational sessions and will continue to inform ATC of all potential problems that the power line could cause in our township including: the capped landfill and repairing/replacing bridges in the corridor of the power line to assist them in making the best choice of location for this line.
- Keith Butler, La Crosse County Emergency Management coordinator has informed that a table top drill will be conducted in the Town of Farmington
- Board members have received a letter regarding a fence line concern in the township.
- Fire Department members: Mike Hesse and Jennifer Goodnough and township resident Russ Van Ripper attended a grant training workshop.

Board members reviewed the 2011-2012 contract for Chimney Rock Assessors which proposes an annual fee of \$10,000 to complete maintenance assessing, notify landowners of changes in values and be present at Open Book and Board of Review. Motion to approve contract by Kirchner, seconded by Mulder.

Board members reviewed the Propane winter programs offered by the Farmers Coop. A motion was made by Mulder and seconded by Kirchner to prepay for 5000 gallons of fuel at \$1.95 per gallon and remain on the keep fill program. Motion passed.

Server applications for Kelly Johnson, Joshua Johnson and Crystal Anderson were reviewed. A motion was made by Kirchner to approve all three applications, seconded by Mulder.

Bids for road sealing were received from Scott Construction, Fahner and La Crosse County Highway Department. Board members reviewed all proposals and discussed the pros and cons of the methods employed by each company to complete this repair. A motion was made by Kirchner to award the road sealing bid to Scott Construction with specification for them to use granite chips, seconded by Mulder.

A decision on the best method to repair Anderson Road was postponed until firm bids could be received.

Other roads business:

- Town road crew has oil on hand and more to be delivered in the next week to begin filling cracks
- Road patching materials are available

Damage to the salt/sand shed has been evaluated by ACT Concrete, they will make suggestions.

The compactor guide box needs to be repaired. Through use the bolts have broken free. Chairman Hesse will coordinate for ACT Concrete to look at the problem when Hilltopper Refuse comes to change out the compactor box.

Interviews for the town maintenance position will take place on July 7th starting at 6:45pm

A motion to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 19.85(1)(c) to review applications received for the town maintenance position was made by Kirchner and seconded by Mulder at 8:32pm. Roll call vote: 3- yes, 0- no.

A motion to reconvene to Open Session was made by Kirchner, seconded by Mulder at 11:10pm. Roll call 3-yes, 0-no.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. A motion made by Kirchner to approve receipts #580562 through 580574, seconded by Mulder.

The township checks were reviewed. A motion was made by Kirchner to approve township checks # 18185 through 18198. Seconded by Mulder.

Motion to adjourn by Kirchner, seconded by Mulder at 11.25 pm.