

Town Board Meeting September 3, 2012

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

The minutes from the August 6th meeting and were read. Motion made by Kirchner to approve the minutes, seconded by Gilbert.

Public Concerns

- Follow-up to the question last month regarding selling cemetery lots back to the Township. In reviewing past practices, it was determined that this has never been done. The lots stay with the purchaser's estate and are willed to family members if unused. After 50 years, the township can take them back if they will not be used by a family member. We currently have no policy on individuals selling lots to another party, board will begin the process of establishing a policy.
- Chairman has been informed of a fence issue between Shepard's/Wade's.
- Chairman reported that discussions have taken place regarding a County wide radio system

Board reviewed the Sales Order Agreement with Elections Systems and Software regarding the new election equipment soon to be delivered. Clerk will sign agreement to continue the process of obtaining the new equipment. Machine will be in delivered later this month with training provided before the next election in February 2014.

Board reviewed SVRS Agreement with La Crosse County. We will continue to be a "reliant", that is, the County Clerk's office will continue to keep our voter registrations up to date, updating voter registrations and adding new voters.

Board reviewed the Operator License application for Jenna Konze. A motion was made by Kirchner to approve the application, seconded by Gilbert. Motion passed.

Solid Waste-

- Board approved our liaison with other local municipalities in preparing the Recycler brochure again this year. Motion to approve by Kirchner, seconded by Gilbert.
- Recycling shed proposal reviewed. Luke Johnsrud from Beaver Builders suggests that we work with a design/engineer to get a plan in place for the building. This can be done at a much reduced fee compared to architectural services. He impressed that what the shed will be used for directly affects its design. Board approved preliminary plans to construct an addition to the current salt shed which will house the recycling materials. Luke, Dennis Konze and Dan Gilbert will meet to obtain exact measurements and prepare a conceptual drawing with approximate costs before the elector meeting. Board set the Public meeting to be held Monday, September 23rd at 7:30pm.

Board then discussed the short timeframe to get the building completed before winter. A motion was made by Gilbert to contract with Halverson Engineering from Black River Falls to do the engineering work if the building plans are approved by at the public meeting. Seconded by Kirchner.

Fence Viewing – scheduled for September 6th. All involved have been notified by Certified mail. The fee for fence viewing is \$100 per viewer for each fence (property owner).

Board reviewed the land swap proposal of Exclusive Ag and Rural residential for Chad and Travis Powers on Herman Coulee Road. Plan Commission will consider this at their next meeting. Will seek Town Board approval after public hearing and 30 day comment period.

Roads

- A driveway on A. Nelson Road needs attention as it does not meet the township road evenly which will cause problems when plowing snow. Problem will be discussed with the homeowner; company who put in the driveway should be able to make the correction.
- Pricing for a new chainsaw will be researched, board to review at a future meeting
- Paisley's no longer carries oil in bulk, town employees will check for pricing from other sources.
- Gilbert to obtain cost estimates for painting of the outside of the townhall.

Preliminary budget planning meeting to be held on September 23 following the Special Town Meeting of the electors.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. A motion made by Gilbert to approve receipts #235439 through 235454, seconded by Kirchner.

The township and fire department checks were reviewed. A motion was made by Kirchner to approve township checks # 19010 through 19033 and EFTS. Fire Department checks 4094-4096. Seconded by Gilbert.

Motion to adjourn at 9:45pm by Gilbert, seconded by Hesse.