

Town Board Meeting September 4, 2012

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

The minutes from the August Town Board meeting were read. Motion made by Kirchner to approve the minutes with one correction, seconded by Mulder.

Public Concerns:

- Kyle Kirchner presented checks from the Memorial Tractor Ride to the First Responders and the Fire Department. Chairman Hesse thanked Kyle and stated that the donations were appreciated by all township residents and especially by the members of both departments. Everyone will benefit from the fundraising effort.
- Mike Raabe stated that he had heard some talk of suggesting an amendment to the Township Comprehensive plan. No one was present to speak to this issue.
- Chairman Hesse informed that consideration is being given to establishing a sand mine in our township near the Burns township line.

Motion to adjourn to closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. Sec. 19.85(1)(g) for the purpose of conferring with legal council then to evidentiary hearing by Mulder, seconded by Kirchner at 7:40pm. Roll call vote: 3- yes, 0- no.

Motion to reconvene to open session made by Kirchner, seconded by Mulder at 9:50pm. Roll call vote: 3-yes, 0-no.

Several members of the Volunteer Fire Department joined the meeting. Chairman Hesse explained that the Fire Department should not be handling their operating expense checking account and that to be in compliance with State Statutes the account needs to be maintained by the Township Clerk. The Fire Department Association funds can be handled in two way: 1. the Association could incorporate, or 2. the town board can pass an Ordinance to give the Fire Department Association the ability to have someone from their ranks maintain the financial records and checking account. It could be the Fire Chief or an elected treasurer. They would then provide financial reports to the Town Board quarterly and be audited by Township accounting firm annually. Township Clerk to maintain all Fire Department accounts until a treasurer is established for the Fire Department Association.

Neither Travis Powers nor Terry Priebe were present to speak to the amendment to the Comprehensive Plan. No discussion at this time.

A resolution to adopt the County Zoning Ordinance was presented by Chairman Hesse. No discussion brought forward. A motion was made by Kirchner to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Mulder. Roll call vote was held: 3-yes 0-no. Ordinance was adopted.

The Fire Department Volunteer Funds Ordinance was presented to authorize the town fire department to hold volunteer funds in the name of the department. Authority for the Township to adopt this Ordinance is under s. 66.0608 of the Wis Stats. A motion was made by Kirchner to adopt said Ordinance, seconded by Mulder. Ordinance passed.

Operator License application was reviewed for Rose Guy. A motion to approve the application with the stipulation that she must reapply rather than simply renew her server license next year due to previous legal actions made by Hesse, seconded by Mulder. Motion passed.

Board discussed the Recycler brochure; all agreed that it contains valuable information for our residents and should be provided again in 2013. A motion to join with several other municipalities in the area to get this printed was made by Hesse, seconded by Mulder. Motion passed.

The first budget planning session is scheduled for Tuesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 in the town hall.

Chairman Hesse informed that the US Postal Service will be holding a hearing on October 18<sup>th</sup> at 3pm in the town hall regarding the future of the Mindoro Post Office. Township residents are encouraged to attend.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. A motion made by Kirchner to approve receipts #235520 through #235528, seconded by Mulder.

The township checks were reviewed. A motion was made by Kirchner to approve township checks #18644 through #18673 and EFT's. Seconded by Mulder.

Motion to adjourn by Mulder, seconded by Kirchner at 10:29pm.