Town Board Meeting  July 7th, 2015

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

The minutes from the June 2nd meeting were read. A motion was made by Kirchner to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Mulder.

Public Concerns: Chairman Hesse reported that a member of the Sanitary District Board has plans to retire and that a replacement will need to be found.

Recommendations from the Plan Commission to consider:

1. Rezone petition from David Bartlett, Mahlum Road, Holmen.
Mr. Barlett was not present, Board reviewed the request to rezone 2 acres of Mr. Bartletts’s 40 acres as approved by the Plan Commission. The petition stated that 1.2 of the 2 acres would be moved from Exclusive Ag to Rural Residential in order to construct a new single family residence. The remaining 0.8 acres would stay as Exclusive Ag. He is planning to sell the remaining 38 acres along with the current home and buildings this portion would remain Exclusive Ag. A motion was made by Kirchner to approve the rezone request with the added deed restriction that there can be no additional residences built on the 38 acre parcel. Seconded by Mulder.

2. Variance request from Charles & Beth Willms, W4665 Cty Rd D, Mindoro.
Charles and Beth Willms appeared before the Board requesting a variance for a garage larger and taller than allowed by county restrictions. The Willms have removed a building and plan to construct the new building in the same location. The height of the building will not be a hindrance to the neighborhood and the building is of the same style as would be appropriate for the location. Motion to approve the Willms’ request made by Mulder, seconded by Hesse.

3. Rezone plan from Josh Walden, CrossFire, Inc. on property located on Cty  Rd AE
Josh Walden appeared before the Board requesting that parcel 5-178-1 which is 22.14 acres be rezoned from exclusive ag to rural residential. Mr. Walden explained that CrossFire, Inc would like to sell this parcel and feels they would be more successful in finding a buyer if a residence could be built on it. He further reported that the soil on the property is not good for farming. A motion was made by Hesse to approve Mr. Walden’s request with a deed restriction that construction be restricted to one single family home on the property. Seconded by Kirchner.

Board reviewed operator license application for Neenah Thompson. A motion was made by Kirchner to approve the application. Seconded by Mulder. Motion passed.

Board reviewed the Propane Program proposal from Allied Coop. A motion was made by Kirchner to lock in the price of $1.059 for the winter fill and to prepay 10cents per gallon for 7000 gallons, seconded by Mulder.

Roads:
- Repairs to the exhaust system have been completed on the 2003 International truck.
- The Hwy 108 and C swap is currently on hold as a property easement was not applied for by the DOT from State Historical Preservation Office in area of the Mindoro Cut.
- Ron Chamberlain, Co. Hwy Commissioner, has assured Chairman Hesse that they will improve the alignment of Cty DE and Hwy 108 as well as address the water drainage issues in the area of the grade school with improved curb and gutter & a catch basin. The sidewalk from 108 to Liberty St will also be replaced.
- Chamberlain also informed that he will have the County Engineer suggest some options for a retaining wall across the street from the Town Hall.
- Jewell Associates Engineers, Inc. have completed the engineering work on the Davis Creek Road project and are planning to hold a Public Information meeting on July 28th in the Town Hall from 5:30 to 7:30pm. They will inform residents of the meeting via a letter to all township land owners.

Solid Waste:
- The Board was reminded that it is important to announce in the Recycler when the Recycling Center is closed due to a holiday that lands in either a Tuesday or Saturday, as there were several residents who were upset to find it closed on Saturday, July 4th this year.
- The Board was also informed that there are still residents who are having trouble identifying which type of refuse/recyclable goes in which container at the drop off site.

Emergency Services:
- The Fire Department annual Pancake Breakfast fundraiser will be held Sunday, July 26th.
- A walk through follow-up to the tabletop drill of a bad wind storm/possible tornado at Camp Ehawee will be held on July 16th at 6:30pm.

The Treasurer’s report was reviewed. A motion made by Kirchner to approve receipts 205158-205164, seconded by Mulder.

The township checks were reviewed. A motion was made by Hesse to approve township checks #19652 through #19677 and the EFTS, and Fire Department checks for May and June (checks # 4213-4215), seconded by Kirchner.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55.