

July 14, 2009

Regular monthly town board meeting, as posted at Mike's Service, Bob's Northern Lights, Strong's and the town hall was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Chairman Casper Buettner. Also present were Supervisors William Majest and Susan Hawley, Linda Frank, treasurer and Mary Lee Heise, clerk. Tony Letter from Northeast Asphalt along with numerous townspeople was also present.

The agenda was approved upon motion by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Supervisor Majest, motion carried.

Minutes of the June meetings were approved upon motion by Supervisor Majest and seconded by Supervisor Hawley, motion carried.

The treasurer's report was read by Linda Frank. Discussion on transferring the amount due Wilhelm Lumber for roofing materials, from the building and plant savings.

Non-board member business ó none

Unfinished Business:

Roofing project ó Blackwell job corp. has set an August 3<sup>rd</sup> date for starting the reroofing project. They have a new director and he has changed some of their scheduling.

Purchases of new fire department pumper truck ó Specifications have been sent out to 8 locations. Return of bids is set for August 3<sup>rd</sup>. The bids will be discussed at the August meeting. Two manufacturers have asked if they could come and show their products to the fire department. There was a question on the bid order date and delivery date and if it would be specified. Alex Emerich and Ryan Brown have looked at trucks at area departments. The length of the truck was discussed, along with warranties. The fire department will determine if bids meet specifications.

Citizens Advisory Committee: Jim Tilkens could not make tonight's meeting. He is to head up this committee. Discussion on if a feasibility study is needed due to the fact that the department is purchasing a new truck and funds will not be available at this time for future needs. FEMA has grants for a new fire house. We need a comprehensive plan in place in order to apply for a grant. The citizens advisory committee matter will be on the August agenda.

New Business:

Review of highway bids:

Bids were received from Northeast Asphalt and Langlade County for highway paving projects in the township were read by Clerk Mary Lee Heise.

	LANGLADE COUNTY	NORTHEAST
ASPHALT		
Wolf River Road	\$35,959.00	\$32,104.40
Simmons Road	\$17,787.00	\$16,197.25
Red Pine Drive	\$18,856.00	\$16,487.35
Pine Drive	\$37,748.00	\$33,990.05
Doemel Court	\$22,321.00	\$19,146.60
	<u>\$132,671.00</u>	<u>\$117,925.65</u>

The bid from Langlade County is \$14,745.35 more than Northeast Asphalt's bid. The board reviewed the bids carefully. Thereafter motion was made by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Supervisor Majest to accept the bid from Northeast Asphalt, motion carried. The bid was signed by Chairman Buettner and returned to Tony Letter from Northeast. The work will proceed in August or September.

Town Insurance: Tom Ketchum from Horton Insurance was at the June meeting to review the town's insurance and to answer any of the board's questions. John Schulman from Rural Insurance came to a special town board meeting held on June 23<sup>rd</sup> to review Rural Insurance's insurance offer. After discussion the board feels that Horton Insurance should remain the town's insurance carrier. The motion was made by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Supervisor Majest to keep Horton Insurance, motion carried. The clerk will contact Rural Insurance about the board's decision.

ATV Ordinance: An amendment to the original ATV ordinance to include North White Lake Drive was read by Clerk Mary Lee Heise. This amendment was approved upon motion by Supervisor Majest and seconded by Chairman Buettner, motion carried. Supervisor Hawley abstained from the vote. This amendment comes about because of the ATV club getting approval to use the ditch line along highway 64 from the railroad right-of-way to North White Lake Drive. The amendment was signed and will be published. Signs will be put up before it can be used.

Discussion on future ATV trails- Dark Lake and Badger Ranch residents were present concerning ATV trails they would like opened up in their areas that would connect to White Lake and County trails. The group presented a petition from residents in these areas that are in favor of the roadways being opened up for ATV travel. The clerk will need to get a proper listing of all roadways involved in order to prepare an amendment to include these roads in ordinance 2009-01. Discussion on speed limits and signage. A special town board meeting will be called in order to approve this new amendment.

Sawyer Lake ó The Lakes Association held its annual meeting on July 4<sup>th</sup>. The boat landing on Sawyer Lake was discussed. Because the lake level has dramatically dropped, it is difficult to launch or remove a boat. Discussion on resetting the cement slabs, cost of the project. New signs for the boat landing were also discussed. The clerk will look into purchase of new signs. Ryan Brown suggested a state website and will get information to the clerk for research in order to get new signs.

General Building and Plant ó Nothing new to report.

Highway ó One round of mowing has been done. We are renting a tractor to do the mowing.

Rescue Squad ó Discussion on having the old ambulance on this side of the river. After looking into this, it was decided that the old ambulance will be used as a trade-in. The rescue squad would not have adequate staff to man a second unit. Also discussed was a designated landing zone for helicopters. This has come about due to the weekend mishap where a helicopter was used.

Fire Department ó Bid information was reviewed again. The cover letter requesting bids states that the delivery date will be in 10 months and that a penalty can be imposed if they are late.

Recycling Center ó Nothing new to report. The tipping and tonnage fees will be increasing. In some cases it will be doubled. B & B Containers has not contacted the board concerning their fees. We will wait and see what happens.

Cemetery ó 3 Cemetery deeds were presented for the clerk's signature. They will be returned to Mike Klimoski, who is working to make sure all paperwork is in order, as well as all gravesites marked, for the township. Discussion on when trees will be removed.

Correspondence was reviewed.

Board of Review discussed. It is set for July 30<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 3 p.m. Open Book for the township is set for July 20<sup>th</sup> from 10 A.M. to 6 P.M.

Bills submitted for payment were approved upon motion by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Supervisor Majest, motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned upon motion by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Supervisor Majest, motion carried.