

March 9, 2010

Audit of clerk and treasurer records was conducted by Supervisor Majest and Chairman Casper Buettner prior to the regular monthly board meeting being called to order. All check and receipt copies were read and compared to their records.

The audit being completed, the regular monthly board meeting was called to order by Chairman Casper Buettner. The meeting was posted at the hall, Mike's Services, Bob's Northern Lights and Strong's. The agenda was also published in the Antigo Daily Journal. Supervisors William Majest and Susan Hawley as well as Treasurer Linda Frank and Clerk Mary Lee Heise, were also in attendance. Townspeople Jim Rose and Mike and Sharon Steckbauer were also present.

All those in attendance gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Minutes of the February meeting 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 the cemetery CD which is up for renewal. If renewed for 12 months we will receive 1.9% interest. If renewed for 18 months we will receive 2% interest. The board decided to renew the CD for 18 months. The treasurer's report was then approved upon motion by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Supervisor Majest, motion carried. A motion was also made to approve the audit. The motion was made by Supervisor Majest and seconded by Supervisor Hawley, motion carried.

Non-Board member business: Dave Beer from the DNR appeared before the board inquiring about the ownership of property at the end of Rocky Rips Road. There is a 10-foot access at the end of the road that the DNR would like to use for logging purposes. Clerk will check the assessment roll and plat map and get the information to Dave on Wednesday.

Unfinished Business: Woodward property ó nothing has been done. Schaller Property ó The claim from Schaller for refund of taxes, the response to the claim provided by the Assessor and the draft of the Town's letter back to Schaller were all read. A copy of the Assessor's response, along with the Town's letter will be sent to both Schaller and his attorney. The Town does not intend to give a refund of taxes, based on the information in Schaller's claim and the response received from our assessor.

New Business: Antigo Housing Authority letter was read. It stated that grants were available for the townships of Wolf River, Elcho, Ainsworth and Langlade. These are 0% interest, deferred payment loans for home improvement. The clerk will contact the county to get the preliminary application to fill out.

General Building and Plant: The new door has been installed for the hall office. The furnace for the office had to be repaired again. The clerk discussed her conversation with the furnace repairman from Knope Furnace Repair out of Shawano. The furnaces are over 28 years old. The replacement of furnaces may be something that will have to be done in the future. Furnaces are now more efficient and the air conditioning can be attached to the new furnace. The furnace can be set up to heat different zones such as hall, office or both. Also discussed was having an energy audit done of the hall and office. Blackwell Job Corp. will be painting the hall and trim this summer. All the town will be paying for will be materials.

Highway ó Sanding of roads due to thawing and freezing discussed, along with the county highway department sanding a road for the town when there was a recent fire.

Rescue Squad ó Jim Summerford, president of Troutland Rescue came before the board with paperwork needed to donate the old ambulance to the White Lake Fire Department. Jim also brought the new ambulance for the board to inspect. The ambulance is very state of the art and should serve the squad well for many years to come.

Recycling Center ó The old milk truck body that the town uses to house waste oil is not in very good shape. The hinges are to the point that an injury could occur when opening the door. Discussion on replacing the truck body with an actual building followed. The board feels that we should get rid of the semi trailer that is also at the recycling center as it no longer serves a purpose. This will be discussed further at the April meeting.

Cemetery ó Nothing new to report

Correspondence ó Letter read from Assessor Kelly Zillmer concerning personal property tax bill for Todd Lambert. Todd Lambert/Millwright Services is no longer in business. This matter was turned over to the treasurer.

Information received from the post office concerning postage paid envelopes was reviewed. Both the fire department and clerk will be ordering postage. The fire department will be using them for their fundraiser and the clerk will order security envelopes needed for town mail.

Discussion on listing of hall office addresses and phone number in Directory of Public Officials provided by the county.

Letter read from Ashley Furniture. They would like a written variance to use their trucks on our roads during the time that weight limits are on the town roads. No variance will be given. Clerk instructed to write them and inform them of the board's decision.

Flyer received from Lang Construction concerning fire number signs. Deadline for new signs discussed.

Recycling newsletter received. New recycling grant is due by April 1<sup>st</sup> and is now done over the internet.

Town received a letter from EMC Insurance with a refund of \$622 due to our good workers comp history.

Card concerning the county unit meeting being held at our hall reviewed. The meeting is March 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

Letters were received from State Representative Jeff Mursau and Senator James Holperin. These letters were in response to our letter opposing county assessment of real and personal property. They, too, oppose the Department of Revenue's proposal.

Reminder - the board will be attending the Wisconsin Towns Association meeting in Carter on the 12<sup>th</sup>. The most important part of the meeting will be the board of review training. All officers should be trained and this information must be sent to the Department of Revenue prior to board of review.

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

Meeting adjourned upon motion by Supervisor Majest and seconded by Supervisor Hawley, motion carried.