

Town Board Meeting July 14, 2003

Steven Parent called the town board meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the meeting room at the town hall. Present Steven Parent, James Parent, Peter Jacobs, Barbara Anschutz, Robert Schultz, Jane Pluff, Lois Pluff and 32 visitors.

Clerk verifies posting/motion made/second Peter/Barbara to accept the agenda. Carried.

Accept minutes- Motion made/second Peter/Bob to accept the minutes. Carried.

Accept treasure report- Lois stated in the last 6 weeks we had \$57,000.00 in prepayments because of sales of properties that have the sewer assessments for 10 years. The sewer committee decided to pay that money back. We can pay between March 15th and August 1st. The town would be paying the interest on the money if we kept it for the 10 years. There is a 30 day notice so last month Lois send in a letter stating that she wanted to make a principal payment on 3 separate loans. They called and stated that the interest due on them would also have to be paid. It is the interest on July 25th on the loan balance. But it still is in the town's best interest to pay. The difference in interest expense that we would be paying before the land owners would be paying is only \$4100.00. If we had that much in the fund account in the State we would only be making 1.19% interest or \$24.00 for the 6 months, verses paying \$1300.00 in interest expense for the 6 months on that \$57000.00. We will receive the \$4100.00 in tax levy this next tax period. Motion made/second Jim/Peter to accept the treasure report. Carried.

Citizen input- Mary Ann Johnson thanked the board for closing Frogtown road off on the 4th of July. She also asked if we had any news about the funding. Steve stated shortly after we had the meeting the engineering firm gave Steve a contact at the Core of Engineers in Detroit. A letter was sent to him with a draft report and requested a primary valuation to see if funding is there and how much, to date he has not heard back. She also reported the trip to Plymouth was very good. 40 People attended and went down on the bus. The show is still going on if anyone would like to drive down to view. On August 30th there will be a Baileys Harbor school reunion at the town hall with a potluck. It includes all the outlining schools that were in Baileys Harbor. Clerk stated that Senator Russ Fiengold would be at the Baileys Harbor Town Hall on Sunday, July 20, 2003 from 10:30 to 11:30 AM.

Loren Peil- School Street- Loren had talked to Bob about brushing everything along side of the road. People coming off of F onto School Street are coming on the wrong side of the road. People are walking dogs, bike riders and someone is going to get hit by a car. They don't follow the speed limit. He also asked if a yellow or white line could be put down the road. There is brush overhanging the road. Bob said it has to be done correctly. We just can't be cutting here and there. Bob said for safety reasons we do have to do this. Loren also asked about parking on side streets if there is no parking available. He asked if there is any type of ordinance. Mattkes always keep one or two cars parked right on the

road all the time. This makes the cars go on the wrong side of the street. Peter said we decided to address this issue because of the junk ordinance. Steve told Bob to go ahead and get the trimming done and paint the line. In the mean time we will see if we have to solve the parking or if this will take care of the problem. Jim asked whom we would get to cut the trees. Burke did it the last time.

Loren also asked about extending the fence on the park property. It stops before it gets to Guy Street. They are going to look at it in the near future. Loren asked how wide Guy Street was. Bob thinks it is 33 feet. He is not for sure. The fence is short about 20 feet. Bob said we could put it up to the pin. Loren said some of the service trucks come up that far and make u-turns onto the lawn.

Clerk said along as we are on the subject Mark Merrill has asked the clerk to find out if the board would consider including in the ordinance for no trailer parking on Guy street. We do have it on Ward Street, Howard Street. We did not include Guy Street. Board said to get the proper writing done for an amendment. Also include School Street.

Door opener at town hall entrance- Mary Hedeem asked that a handicap door opener be placed at the front door for the town hall. There are several older people who have a hard time opening the doors when they come to the meal center. They did start a petition on Friday for people to sign for the opener. The clerk had checked into the cost. The company recommended that we only have it for one door. The cost would be \$1900.00 plus the electric. Barbara is going to do more checking into the cost and equipment.

Art Graham safety at entrance at Harbor Highlands off Bluff Road- Mr. Graham was present and asked the board if it would be possible to place a mirror on a tree across the road to make sure no cars are coming. He said they could cut some trees down but they are not interested in that part. They would pay for the cost of what ever had to be done. Steve asked if they had any information on the mirrors. Art said he had contacted a place in Green Bay that sells the mirrors and also talked with Gary from Nelson's and he has a book that we could use to look at. If it is placed on private property we would need their permission to place the mirror.

Residents of Chapel Lane on road work- Gil Carlson was present for this issue. Back in April Bob Schultz had walked Chapel Lane with about 15 property owners with regard to fixing the road. Since that time Gil has talked to most of the owners and everyone was not in favor of making the road wider. Gil started a petition and had 100% sign the petition that have homes were not in favor of making it wider. They don't know where the road stands right now, but they would like the road just the way it is. They didn't care about trimming trees but not taking them out. There have been large trucks going down the road because of the construction and they don't have any problem. There are places that they can pull off to the side and cars can pass.

Several residents spoke in favor of leaving the road the same. It is one of the few places that people cannot drive very fast. Dottie Cole was raised in that area and she has written a letter about how the lane should not be made wider. The people would like to have a 15 miles speed limit on Chapel. The people do suggest having the road blacktopped and slower signs. Board can see that no one is in favor of making the road wider. Steve has a couple of questions for Bob, Bill Cecil thanked Bob on putting up the 15 speed limit sign.

Bob stated he has counted the driveways and we need to do an amendment to the speeding ordinance. Steve asked Don Prust if from the Sewer or Fire Dept end do they have any problems with the road the way it is? Don said if we are doing some work on the road it could be blocked for awhile but other than that they don't have a problem. Steve asked about snowplowing. Bob question the manhole covers. Bob would like to see them blacktopped in so the plow doesn't hit the cover. Bob doesn't feel it is right to blacktop now until the rest of the laterals are put in place. It could be a few years to do. Gil stated he was under the impression that it was going to be done next year. Bob said if the laterals were hooked in, which doesn't seem like it will happen real soon. Mrs. Cole stated that she feels in this day and age there are other places to spend the money on fixing up a road. The residents don't want it changed. She feels Frog Town Road should have the money. Steve thanked everyone for coming out, the board doesn't want to do what the residents don't want. We were really looking from a safety stand point, we do have problems with the manholes cover being hit with the snowplows. We can deal with that with out reconstruction the complete road.

Sewer report- Don Prust Complete report is included in the minutes.

Fire Dept report-Don Prust- They made about \$1500.00 from the breakfast on the 4th of July. This money is being used for the air pack.

County board Report- They authorized the construction of the building in Sister Bay. They also did an intergovernmental agreement with the City for the Hwy shop. The County is freezing the budget. They don't want to increase the budget or raise the taxes in any way. There will be some cuts in each area.

Smart Growth Plan for County- There will be a meeting with the County on July 29th, at 7:00 PM. We have hired our group for the Smart Growth. If any board members would like to attend this meeting.

Committee reports- Bob stated all the crack filling has been done, the shoulder has been completed on Birch and Sunset Roads.

Steve- The bids will be open on the 28th for Bues Point Boat ramp at 6:00 PM.

Peter- explained the variance for Philip Hendrickson Trust for a variance request. Motion made/second Jim/Bob in favor of the variance. Carried. Clerk is to send a letter.

Zoning amendment from County- After discussion there was no action taken.

Clerk stated she would be in Green Bay attending the clerk's convention all week.

Payment on bills- Motion made/second Barb/Peter to pay all bills. Carried.

Motion made/second Jim/Bob to adjourn at 9:30 PM. Carried.

These minutes are subject to correction at the next monthly town board meeting.

Town Clerk, Jane Pluff

