

Town Board Meeting March 14th, 2005

Steven Parent called the regular monthly town board meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the meeting room at the town hall. Present Steven Parent, Peter Jacobs, Barbara Anschutz, Robert Schultz, Jane Pluff, Lois Pluff and 8 visitors.

Clerk verify posting. Motion made/second Barbara/Peter to accept the agenda with moving item 10 after citizen input. Carried.

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

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

Citizen input- Mark Rispens was present and asked if the board would consider cutting Ridges Road during the summer at least once a month for the high weeds on the shoulder of the road. Mark is concern about a safety issue. This will be on the agenda next month.

Bryan Nelson thanked the town board and Jeff Kita for a great job of plowing the sidewalks.

Liquor license for TD Partners LLC- Greg Thoma was present for the group. They have changed the trade name to Top Deck. The license will be from 1st of April to June 30th. They will have to renew just as other business people in May. If they have bartenders they will also have to have an operators license. Motion made/second Barbara/Bob to grant the license. Carried.

Audit report- Paul Denis was present from Schenck to present the report. We have two new reports this year. Two new type of activities that the town has. Governmental and Business type. Business relates to sewer utility, Governmental is town operations, this also includes the marina, general fund and library. Capital assets are now being reported. Our net assets are \$10,649,537. We are ok with the amount carried over. We should always keep at least 20 to 25% for a back up for annual expensive.

Paul said we are in excellent shape for the general fund. The present rate for the sewer plant is not being covered by the rates we have now. Paul suggested that we raise the rates for the sewer system because we don't have a tax levy anymore, for future plant replacement through user charges. .

Sewer/Fire Dept report Don Prust- complete report in minute book. Steve question Don about how long the permit is good for. About another 3 years. They are good for 5 years. Lois reported about the new utility software. The conversion did not go very well and we don't know when the bills will be going out. Lois may have to re-enter everyone and the number of units plus the price charge. They will get it done but she cannot make any changes until they finish their end.

Decide on Fire Truck proposals- he doesn't have the figures at this time. He found some errors and wanted to get it all in order before they present the figures.

Knox box for Town Hall- Don would like to see a Knox box put on the town hall for emergency use. Motion made/second Peter/Barb to purchase two, one for the marina/town hall. Carried.

County Board report- We received the letter from the library board on the name change. Questions for the bridge will be on the April ballot. 911 center towers was decided for about ½ million dollars. She also talked about the beach report from the County. She also discussed the steel problem at the Justice Center. All the cost for the repairs will be picked up by the contractor.

Discuss burning regulation proposed ordinance with County- The main concern from the Plan Commission and also the town board is how are they going to enforce the ordinance. Our fire chief and constable didn't feel it was necessary to have an ordinance. We already have one for issuing burning permits. Don feels the county is trying to tell us how to write a State permit. We don't have any history of problems and people are very careful as to what they burn. Kari Anderson has a problem with the ordinance. Motion made/second Bob/Barb we don't need the ordinance we already have one in place. Carried. Steve will send letter to County on the issue.

Horvath requesting town sign for their area-Pat had called about a sign for the area. One of the concerns how many business places are in the area that would make use of the sign. We can't put a sign up for one person. What were the rules as to the distance of the signs being placed. Just in the downtown area or further. We will put this on the agenda with the Plan Commission next month to see what can be done.

Decision on Annual Report- With the new system, a decision had to be made as to what pages would be placed in the report. Motion made/second Peter/Bob to put Pages 25, 26, 27 for general and marina and 12 for sewer. Carried.

Update on development agreement- None

Update on Cemetery ordinance – None

Update on Rec. Park bathroom project- There was some concern as to what could be done about the work that was going to be volunteer. Steve had our attorney check over what could be done. Barb will call Carlson/Erickson about plans, County, State inspections. We may have a general with reduced prices for the volunteer work. Motion made/second Steve/Barb to have Carlson/Erickson prepare plans/ specs for addition. Carried.

Committee reports- Bob is concern about the electric company cutting across Logerquist Road and not asking or letting us know. We have just blacktopped the road. He would

like to see an ordinance on the issue. Clerk called WPS and they stated that the county has an ordinance that they follow. They will let the company know and have them come out and fix the cut. Clerk will call the county and try to get what they have. We will have this issue on the agenda for next month. Bob said he had Jeff purchase material for 5 more Town signs.

Barb The town hall has the AC units in place. The electric has to be done yet. Energy control for the heating would like a phone line run to the control panel so that if we do have trouble they could fix it from Green Bay. We can use the fax line to save another phone cost.

Jane reported that Jim gave the ok to fix the sign at the Marina by Glen Miller. This will be done this spring.

Peter- Planning- The town board members received copies of the Implementation plan for Smart Growth. If they have any suggestions for changes they should have it back to Jane by March 21st. From now on we will be having joint meetings with the Plan commission to finish up on Smart Growth. An informational meeting will be held in May with the Public Hearing the first part of June.

Kevin asked about wireless internet in Baileys Harbor and Peter is checking the avenues that may be taken.

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

Town clerk, Jane Pluff