

Town Board Meeting June 8, 2009

James Parent called the regular monthly Town Board meeting to order at 7:00PM in the meeting room at the Town Hall. Present were James Parent, Barbara Anschutz, Robert Schultz, Dale Williams, Douglas Smith, Lois Pluff and 15 visitors. Peter Jacobs was absent.

Clerk verified posting. Motion made/second Dale/Bob to accept the agenda. Carried

Accept minutes – Motion made/second Dale/Barb to accept the minutes. Carried.

Accept Treasurer Report – Next month we'll have to go over budget items for adjustments. Also, with the bar screening project, the auditors took part of the loan and used it towards the property purchase. The proceeds weren't brought forward to this year, so the remainder of the bar screening will be taken out of the general fund. We are also in good shape with the storm sewer funds. Motion made/second Barb/Bob to accept the report. Carried.

Citizen input – Mary Ann Johnson gave an update on work she's been doing in regards to historical preservation. Some fix up work will be happening on Cana Island. She also asked about the Historical Committee being formed. Jim explained it was brought up at the Annual meeting in regards to the McArdle house and the research that needs to be done. It was decided it was time to set up a committee to delve a little deeper into this topic, such as fundraising, buildings, etc. Jacksonport is currently building a new structure for historical purposes.

Steve Leonard asked why there are stakes along Ridges Road from Harbor Lane to the end. The stakes are temporary. Bob was trying to figure out how wide it is and what we can do there. Manholes are hit in the winter with the plow, so Bob was thinking possibly widening the blacktop. DNR is in the process of following up with the plant survey in regards to other portion of the road. Ken Jeschke feels if the road is widened, the traffic will go faster. Bob explained the reasoning is because it's currently only 17 feet wide. Many years ago, the Board made a standard that roads should be 20 feet. Fred Middleton is concerned because there are Dwarf Lake Irises along the road and requested a public hearing before we go through with it. A public hearing would not be necessary. Steve Leonard will look into whether or not the DNR wants to do a plant survey along the whole road, or only part. Jim explained that there are no official plans yet and everything will have to be worked out.

Nancy Bemmann – County Board report – Nancy has a concern that since they eliminated Baylake Regional Planning, are they going to use it as an excuse to keep people? Nancy is thinking fees have been increased to make it more feasible to keep everyone on staff. There are several departments she feels could cut, one of them being the Planning Department. Dale brought up that the Sanitarian also increased their fees. Another county item, a census committee is looking into being formed. Soil and Water had some projects planned that would cost hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Appoint members to Historical Committee – Don Sitte had requested this at the Annual Meeting. Roy Cole, Mary Gunnerson, Mary Ann Johnson and Rozanna Gerdman have shown interest. Mary Ann will be on as long as she doesn't have to do fundraising. This wouldn't be a permanent committee. It would just be a start to get something off the ground. We're looking forward to having a separate entity, such as the Town of Gibraltar has. Jim would like the group to meet with the Board at first to go through what the committee is supposed to be doing. Nancy Bemmann suggested the group should get in touch with the Jacksonport Historical Society. Kris Schorer mentioned Carol Williams has also shown interest. Jim appointed the following people: Roy Cole, Mary Gunnerson, Mary Ann Johnson, Rozanna Gerdman and Carol Williams. Details of the goals of the committee will be talked about at joint meeting on Thursday, June 11, 2009 at 6:00PM. Jim asked Kris Schorer how they're feeling about the process and if they feel they want to list the house for sale. They are willing to wait and give the committee some time to explore all the options.

Adopt resolution for CMAR report – We received an A on the report. Don Prust went through and it explained each section. Phosphorous levels are fine. The limit is 1 part per million, but it usually runs between 0.2 and 0.4 parts per million. The highest last year was 0.6. We'll have to take a look at the sanitary charges in the near future. A copy of the report is available in the Clerk's office. Motion made/second Jim/Dale to adopt Resolution #01-2009 accepting the CMAR report. Carried.

Discuss/decide various items for the bar screening project at the Waste Water Treatment Plant – The first item is a change order. There is a bit of concern about it. It's about builder's risk insurance, increasing the cost by \$322. Dale feels that should have been budgeted at the start of the project. The engineer put an initial figure of \$2,000 in as a guide, but now that it's more, they want the change order. The overall project is coming in under budget. We'll wait to act on the change order. We'll get another engineers opinion on it.

The second item is a pay request. The amount due is \$19,973.50. This was held back initially because the project could not be completed due to the weather. Don Prust said the project is now complete. Motion made/second Jim/Dale to approve the pay request in the amount of \$19,973.50. Carried.

The third and final item is a Notice of Final Completion. Don Prust stated the punch list is cleaned up and the project is done. Motion made/second Jim/Barb to approve the Notice of Final Completion. Carried.

Discuss/decide maintenance proposals from Anschutz Plumbing & Heating, Inc for Marina and Town Hall – Barb left the room for this item. It's a renewal proposal from Anschutz. Motion made/second Dale/Bob to accept the proposals from Anschutz Plumbing & Heating, Inc. for the Town Hall and Marina. Carried. Barb Anschutz abstained.

Discuss/decide Town Assessor contract – We definitely would like to keep him on Board, as he does an outstanding job. We've typically done about 3% increases per year on his contract. We'll think about that part until next month.

Discuss/decide all liquor/beer/wine/picnic/cigarette licenses for 2009-10 year – Only changes are there is a new agent on the Coyote Roadhouse license and the Penn Pub is no longer selling cigarettes. Motion made/second Barb/Bob to approve all licenses except Maxwellton Braes for the coming year. Carried.

Motion made/second Barb/Bob to renew the licenses for Maxwellton Braes. Carried.
Dale abstained.

Set date for July meeting – It will be July 6, 2009 at 7:00PM.

Committee reports – Chairman Report – Maritime Museum would like to do a presentation to the Town Board for informational purposes on Cana Island. We can figure out a date at some point this summer.

Barb – Town Hall/Cemetery/Parks – None.

Peter – Plan Commission report – Peter was absent.

Dale – Sewer report – None.

Bob – Roads – We will need to see how the State handles the area on the north end of Sandpiper. There have been some issues with trucks turning around right there. We'll see what the State does and address it based on that.

As for Ridges Road, we will skip it for right now, as we don't have enough time to get a plant study, etc. done. We may be able to do Frogtown or Bluff in its place. We'll still take care of Harbor Lane. Part of Bluff will be done for sure. We'll also take a look at Park Road up until the Fire Station. Bob will look at some other roads that could be done and figure out some new numbers.

Payment of bills – Motion made/second Barb/Dale to pay all bills. Carried.

Motion made/second Dale/Bob to adjourn at 8:27PM. Carried.

These minutes are subject to correction at the next regular monthly Town Board meeting.

Douglas Smith
Town Clerk