

Annual Meeting April 10, 2012

Donald Sitte called the Annual Meeting to order at 7:00PM in the auditorium of the Town Hall. Present were Donald Sitte, Robert Schultz, Barbara Anschutz, Roberta Thelen, Peter Jacobs, Douglas Smith, Lois Pluff, Steve Parent and 77 visitors.

Accept last year's minutes – Motion made/second Terry Goode/Jim Jennings to approve the minutes from last year. Carried.

Accept financial report per auditors – With the general fund, the revenue number was \$1.4 million and the expenses were \$1.9 million. The difference is due to the capital outlay of the public works building. The debt proceeds do not show as revenue. We moved \$166,496.00 from out fund balance. These were funds that were set aside in prior years. Road construction, for example, has \$136,581.00 plus the money in our budget for 2012. The new loan was for a total of \$698,500.00. It includes the public works building, the new marina hydraulic dredger and refinancing of the baseball lighting loan. The interest rate is 3% fixed for 7 years, amortized over 10 years.

Motion made/second Mike Meulemans/Jim Jennings to accept the financial report. Carried.

Accept reports as printed – Doug reported that recycling will be returning to the Rec. Park on Summit Road. He also asked Town employees Ryan Weisgerber, Mark Franke, Jeff Kita, Don Prust and Bert Sawyer to stand. Doug thanked them for their excellent service during the windstorm on Sept. 29 and 30 and asked for a round of applause.

Motion made/second Rozanna Gerdman/Jim Jennings to approve the reports as printed. Carried.

New Business – Don read through a report from the Town's engineer, Steve Parent, of Baudhuin, Inc., a copy of which is available upon request. Don then opened up the meeting to questions from the floor.

Jim Jennings asked if Frogtown Road was going to be repaired this year. Steve Parent reported that the Town applied to the Army Corps. several years ago when the road collapsed to get some funding. Funding was not available at that time, but we were recently informed that funding has opened up to do a study on the best way to repair it. Rather than resurface it this year, we wanted to wait and see what they come up with for grant money and ideas for fixing it. Bob explained that part of Frogtown will be in the plans for this year, beginning near Maxwellton Braes to where the curve goes north near the lake.

Rich Henquinet spoke and explained that he has 51 acres of land that has been in the family for 30 years. They are currently trying to sell it, but they're having a hard time. They've dropped the asking price by 33%. The property is located at County Roads A & E. They would just like to ask their Baileys Harbor neighbors, friends and administration

for advice on how to generate interest from people to potentially purchase this property. He asked anyone with advice to talk to him after the meeting.

Francha Barnard requested that when the project starts on the south end of Frogtown, the heavy trucks not enter the north end. Bob explained that loaded trucks will enter via the south end, but empty trucks would leave via the north end. Loaded machinery will be kept off.

Tim Tishler asked about a weight restriction on Frogtown. Bob explained that while it's under construction, we may have to lift it. We will do our best to keep heavy trucks off of the north end of the road.

Howard Williamson asked if there is a place to take lawn clippings and brush. Roberta explained that the old Baileys Harbor dump will be converted into the Baileys Harbor Green Site where people can bring this sort of compostable waste. There are a few things to work out, but it will be in place as soon as possible.

Suzanne Bauldry asked about an electronics recycling program. Roberta stated that we are looking into some of the options this, in addition to hazardous material disposal, etc.

Chuck Stage stated that hauling the sand from the marina dredging was a bad idea. Don explained that since we are working on making the Baileys Harbor Green Site, they needed to find a spot to take the sand. Chuck feels that area shouldn't be treated as a dump site. Steve explained that in trying to make that property more usable, there needs to be some fill brought in over time. Since it will eventually be cemetery, the soil needs to be deep enough and this will help that situation.

Suzanne Bauldry asked if the Dark Sky street lighting was complete. Doug explained that the neighborhood areas were all converted, such as downtown Baileys Harbor, Frogtown Road and the Sun Plaza area. For the outlying country areas, Bob explained that the lights were a little bit too dim. That could change and if anyone in the country would prefer them, we can look into it.

Charles Tishler asked if a street light could be placed at the intersection of Serene Drive and Cherry Road, just south of the cemetery. Don stated there will be a road check on April 28th and the Board will take a look at it.

Don Sitte asked Mike Meulemans to stand up. Don explained that for the last year, Mike has taken over the design and updating of the Town's website and has not charged the Town anything for it and asked for a round of applause.

Bob Bultman thanked the Town Board for supporting the Dark Sky program and encouraged them to take a look at converting even the rural areas as well as the lights by the Town Hall and Fire Station.

Suzanne Bauldry asked how the Treasurer's office will change now that it will be an appointed position. Don explained that at the end of her term next year, she will be hired for a three year term. Lois explained that nothing will really change and that it gives the Town Board the opportunity to hire a qualified candidate when Lois she decides to step down.

Bob Bultman asked where sample ballots could be viewed before the election. Doug explained that he has samples in his office and that the Government Accountability Board doesn't recommend posting them anywhere else.

Roy Cole complimented the Board on the audio system for the auditorium.

Bill Becker reminded everyone about the Polkafest at the Town Hall on April 22.

Suzanne Bauldry thanked the Board for their support of the Historical Society. They will be doing a program on the 4th of July festival this year. They have old movies, slides and pictures of past years. She also stated they're always looking for help and new members.

Set date for Annual Meeting 2013 – Due to various election law changes, the annual meeting is being moved to the third Tuesday of April. Meeting date will be April 16, 2013 at 7:00PM.

Motion made/second Doug Smith/Jim Jennings to adjourn at 7:45PM. Carried.

Douglas Smith
Town Clerk/Administrator