

## Town Board Meeting November 13, 2012

Donald Sitte called the regular monthly Town Board meeting to order at 6:00PM in the meeting room at the Town Hall. Present were Donald Sitte, Barbara Anschutz, Roberta Thelen, Peter Jacobs, Douglas Smith, Lois Pluff and 8 visitors. Robert Schultz was absent.

Clerk/Administrator verified posting. Item #6 will be deleted from the agenda. Motion made/second Peter/Roberta to accept the agenda with the deletion of item #6. Carried.

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

Accept Treasurer Report – Larger room tax amounts have come in to be closer to our budgeted amount. Budgeted items should be ordered as soon as possible so the bills get here prior to year end so we're ready for the audit. Motion made/second Peter/Barb to accept the Treasurer Report as presented. Carried.

Citizen input – None.

Kriss Schorer – Discuss/decide Scenic Byways kiosk design and updates on Scenic Byways program – This would renew the kiosk in front of the Town Hall, adding a second kiosk with information regarding the Scenic Byways program, including a history of Baileys Harbor, along with things to do. Kriss believes the cost to install the sign is around \$1,500. However, tonight's objective is to approve the design only. The idea is to have log legs with a curved blue roof made of powder-coated aluminum. Since the Town Hall is an historic landmark, the Wisconsin Historical Society has been contacted and they have no concerns with the project. Motion made/second Barb/Roberta to approve the design only. Carried. Once the cost is determined, the Board will make a final approval.

Discuss/decide closeout of phase 1 of Anclam Park project – The Town's engineer is recommending close-out and final payment of the project in order to meet the year end deadline for reimbursement from the grant. Motion made/second Peter/Barb to close out phase 1 of the Anclam Park project and approve final payment of \$43,701.50. Carried.

Discuss/decide new proposed fire district – Peter attended the last exploratory committee meeting and gave a report. They are now at the point where they want each participating municipality to contribute \$5,000 towards the committee's operating expenses. Jacksonport has opted out. Mutual Aid would not be affected if we don't join a district, nor would it effect overall protection. Currently, the majority of fire department members in Baileys Harbor don't want to be part of a District. This was also the general consensus of the Town Board during a meeting in June. If we became part of a district, we could also risk losing equipment to other departments. Motion made/second Barb/Roberta that, at this time, the Town of Baileys Harbor will not be joining the proposed fire district. Carried.

Discuss/decide well water testing program – The only part the Town is responsible for is delivering the water samples to the lab. The sampling is anonymous. Motion made/second Barb/Don to partake in the well water testing program. Carried.

Discuss/decide short term financing – The Anclam Park project and finishing touches aren't the maintenance building weren't budgeted items for this year. We had discussed this prior and determined we'd take out some short term financing. Dredging was also discussed, but since that's a routine expense it's preferential to transfer money within the budget or from the undesignated fund. Based on the grant for Anclam, we're not sure where final numbers will land, so Lois would like approval for a 2 year loan at 3% for up to \$100,000. The loan would be from Baylake Bank, where we have our other loans. It would bring out debt up to about \$1,000,000. Motion made/second Barb/Roberta to authorize the Treasurer to borrow up to \$100,000 for short term financing. Carried. Don, Doug and Lois all sign for the loan.

Committee reports – Clerk/Administrator – None.

Chairman/Marina/Wastewater/Sidewalks – John Hammarstrom was present for the Marina. The water is at an all time low and will be going lower. We currently have 5 feet of sediment within the Marina itself. They are working on removing that with the hydraulic dredging unit. Bid documents will be put together and let out this winter for regular dredging in spring. However, we'll need to see what the water does over winter to determine whether or not it's worthwhile to dredge.

Peter – Plan Commission – Public Hearing for the Smart Growth plan is 5:30PM on Thursday. Refreshments will be served.

Barb – Town Hall/Cemetery/Parks – None.

Roberta – BHCA/Historical Society/Community Programs – The Halloween party was a success. The next event is the Christmas Tree Lighting on December 1. Historical Society will be meeting later in the month.

Payment of bills – Motion made/second Roberta/Peter to pay all bills. Carried.

Motion made/second Peter/Barb to adjourn at 7:11PM. Carried.

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

Douglas Smith  
Town Clerk/Administrator