

These are the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Town of Bass Lake, Sawyer County, held on Monday, January 10, 2011. Members present: Chairperson Justin Hall, Supervisors Dave Aubart, John McCue, Ralph Meixner, Phil Nies, Treasurer Kari Aderman, Clerk Dawn Henk and Clerk in Training Erica Warshawsky

Chairperson Hall called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Clerk Henk affirmed agenda was posted in compliance with open meetings law.

Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to approve consent agenda that included the following items:

- a. Approve Agenda
- b. Review and Approve Check Vouchers #21754 to #21828 from the (R1) checking account and #1273 from the (R2) checking account
- c. Minutes of the December 13, 2010 Regular Meeting
- d. Minutes of the December 13, 2010 Closed Session Meeting

Motion carried.

Motion by Nies, seconded by Aubart to approve Erica Warshawsky as Town Clerk for a 3-year term effective January 19, 2011. Motion carried.

Hall reported there was correspondence from Dale Olson from the Sawyer County Zoning & Conservation Department regarding the submission of changes to the Town's Comprehensive Plan and Special Use and Conditional Use applications.

Hall reported there was no Planning Committee meeting held in December due to no new business.

Minutes of the December 6, 2010 Fire Department meeting were presented to the Board. Motion by Meixner, seconded by McCue to accept. Motion carried.

McCue reported that the estimate for the purchase of the new tender/tanker fire truck would not exceed \$158,000.00.

Oil changes for Fire Department vehicles were discussed. McCue suggested that trucks be taken in town for oil changes. Hall asked why the firemen couldn't change the oil since there are several good mechanics in the department. McCue reported that it was discussed and the department didn't want to take time away from training. McCue said it's good for the Fire Department to know the ins and outs of Fire Department equipment. Nies said that he didn't want to mix the Highway Department with the Fire Department and Walport added that the Highway Department wasn't in a position to take that on at this time. Hall said that all vehicles should be checked once a month.

McCue reported that the service door light needs to be changed at the Fire Hall. No motion necessary.

Highway Crew Chief, Terry Walport was present to report that 13 – 14 days of snow removal were completed and that the roads were in good condition until New Year's and they are trying to keep up. Walport also reported that the new office has been built and the heat is 58° in the shop and 68° in the office. This should result in a much lower propane heating bill. Walport distributed a Road Maintenance Report for December 1 – December 31, 2010 that included a revised Daily Log Sheet that will be used starting next pay period.

Hall reported that a petition for reduced salt/sand use on Circle Drive was received. Hall suggested that a little less could be used but stressed that our first priority is road safety. Walport will monitor the situation. Aubart reported that if a road is not salted that has to be noted on an accident report. Walport will monitor Circle Drive. Nies stated that the expectation is that the road be as safe as any other road.

McCue reported that he received a quote from Hidden Bay Graphics for 10 shirts plus safety jackets and rain gear. Motion by Nies, seconded by Aubart to purchase uniforms for the Highway Department. Motion carried.

Motion by McCue, seconded by Meixner to enroll Terry Walport and Truit Campbell in Road Maintenance, Fire Safety and MSHA training. McCue will sign them up for MSHA training and the Clerk will sign them up for the other two classes. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Aderman reported that as of December 31, 2010, the Town has a total of \$872,408.64 in all of their accounts and that she and Clerk Henk balance for the month. Motion by Nies, seconded by Aubart to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Clerk Henk thanked the Board and welcomed Erica Warshawsky.

There was no old business to discuss.

Nies reported that he received a call regarding town appeal of assessed evaluation by the State of Wisconsin. Nies was asked if the town was interested in joining the lawsuit for \$1,000.00. Nies reported that the County has not chosen to take that route and he told the caller that we're not interested.

Motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies to approve the Operator's License for Charles Warshawsky. Motion carried.

Hall reported that he received a letter from Jean Paul Dujardin regarding a fence dispute. Hall turned everything over to Ward Winton. Ward is going to try to handle the matter

with a letter. If it can't be settled, then a committee will be formed because the Town Board is the next step. Meixner stated that the fence must be a legal fence.

Roll call was taken to approve Resolution No. 1-10-2011 to amend the budget and transfer \$4,875.00 from Highway Equipment Expense account number 57324 to Election Expense account number 51404 for the purchase of a third electronic voting machine. Hall: aye, Aubart: aye, Meixner: aye, McCue: aye, Nies: aye. Motion carried

Motion by Meixner, seconded by McCue to approve Snowmobile Ordinance 2011-01-11 to put snowmobile routes approved last year in ordinance form and send to Madison for approval. Motion carried.

Hall reported he received a letter and attended a meeting at the Vet center on behalf of the Board regarding proposed Excel Energy power lines from the substation to Highway C. There will be 4 public hearings, 2 in February and 2 in May. Maps are on File. It's a state project and no money is available. If the town wants money, a presentation must be made to the Power Commission.

A request was made from the Town of Sand Lake to change the name of Boylan Road and McLeod/Metcalf Rd as per the letter from Robyn Thake, Sawyer County Land Records. The Boylan Rd with the fewest residences needs to be changed. Nies said that it is not a simple process and we may want to postpone to the next agenda to discuss. Meixner suggested that we send a notice to the residents on McLeod and Boylan roads to notify them that it is on next month's agenda and to ask for input and name suggestions.

Motion by Nies, seconded by McCue to authorize Hall to reject renewal for uninsured/underinsured coverage per insurance agent's suggestion. Motion carried.

Public comment.

Motion by Nies, seconded by McCue to adjourn 7:13 p.m. Motion carried.

/s/ Erica Warshawsky, Town Clerk