

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, October 12, 2009. Members present: Supervisor's Dave Aubart, John McCue, Ralph Meixner, Phil Nies, Treasurer Kari Aderman and Clerk Dawn Henk. Member absent: Chairperson Justin Hall.

Supervisor McCue called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Motion by Nies, seconded by Aubart to approve McCue as acting Chairperson for this meeting. Motion carried.

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

There was a motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to approve the agenda with the change of 13(a) Request for Change of Snowmobile Route to be moved up to under 6(a) Correspondence. Motion carried.

After a review of check vouchers # 20942 to # 20992 from the (R1) checking account, there was a motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to approve. Motion carried.

Minutes of the September 14, 2009 regular monthly Town Board meeting were presented to the Board. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to approve. Motion carried.

No correspondence received.

A request for a change in the snowmobile route from Bruce Wick, Sno-Trails Snowmobile Club was presented to the Board, due to the loss of an easement lease on Dennis Tremblay's property on snowmobile-funded Trail #31 on Williams Road. Discussion followed regarding request to follow alongside Williams Road for that section of trail. Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to grant the request to allow the snowmobile route to follow along Williams Road as far off road as possible from Wanda Baker's property to Old Hwy 27, where it will meet up with current trail. Motion approved with conditions the Sno-Trails Snowmobile Club will be responsible for taking care of signage, complaints and must comply with speed limit on road. Wick agreed to conditions. Motion carried.

Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to table the conditional use application from Steve Sletner, Cranberry Ridge, LLC until further notice from Sawyer County Zoning. Motion carried. Nies reported the application has been tabled at Sawyer County Zoning to no later than the January 2010 Public Hearing.

A proposed amendment to Sawyer County Zoning Ordinance to Create Section 4.6 Chickens in Nonagricultural Zone Districts was presented to the Board. Nies reported when Sawyer County sent out surveys regarding the issue in 2008, the Planning Committee recommended the raising of chickens should be prohibited in all residential zone districts and the Town Board recommended the ordinance should be amended to allow chickens in residential zone districts with certain restrictions. Motion by Nies to prohibit the raising of chickens in non-agriculture zones based on Planning Committee recommendation. No second. Motion failed. Discussion followed regarding number to be allowed and possible odor that may fall under current nuisance ordinance if it becomes a problem. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to approve the Sawyer County Zoning Ordinance to allow for the raising of chickens in Non-agricultural zones (Option 2) and to authorize McCue to sign

amendment due to absence of Chairperson Hall. All in favor; Aubart, McCue and Meixner. All opposed; Nies. Motion carried.

McCue stated there was no Planning Committee meeting in October due to no new business.

Minutes of the September 7, 2009 Fire Department meeting were presented to the Board. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies to accept. Motion carried.

Meixner reported Fire Chief Mullet was not able to attend the meeting, but there was nothing new to report. Discussion followed regarding the boat that was donated to the Fire Department many years ago that has not been used and is still being stored by Earl's Marine. Motion by Nies, seconded Aubart to authorize the boat, motor and trailer to be donated to Earl's Marine in exchange for storing it. Motion carried.

Highway Report from Larry Froemel, Highway Crew Chief presented to Board. Copy on file. McCue reported he had spoken to Larry Froemel, Highway Crew Chief and Froemel stated they were taking care of downed trees in roads and getting roads ready. McCue confirmed Froemel had turned the water off at Grindstone Shallows Park and had moved the park picnic tables there. Discussion followed regarding new highway time sheets and purpose was for Highway Crew to be more specific as to where gravel, mowing, etc. was done. Board reiterated that the Highway Crew needs to fill in their time sheets, being more specific as to location and jobs being done daily.

Driveway permit applications for Penny Molitor, David & Carol Clements, Joe Mahoney and RJO Construction were presented to the Board. Motion by Nies, seconded by Aubart to approve all four applications. Motion carried.

Discussion followed regarding bids opened last month for Highway Plow/Sanding Truck. McCue stated he and Hall had met with Froemel to review all bids. Board reviewed spreadsheet provided by Froemel for comparison. Motion by Nies, seconded by Aubart to award bid for truck chassis to Meyer Sales Company, Cameron for \$55,207.38 with trade-in of Town's current 1998 International Truck and to award bid for hydraulic package to McKenzie Equipment, Rice Lake for \$34,795.00, plus an extra \$860 for a stainless steel sander. (Total accepted bids for entire truck = \$90,862.38.) Motion includes authorization for McCue to notify both companies of the accepted bids and to sign the accepted bids. McCue will review bids and make sure bids are still valid. Motion carried.

Treasurer Aderman reported the monies Supervisor Nies had solicited on behalf of the Town from Lac Courte Oreilles Tribal Board and Sawyer County ATC funds has been received to help improving the small boat landing on LCO Drive and to help construct the Town Hall Park Pavilion totaling nearly \$20,000.00. Board thanked Nies for his diligent work on these projects.

Treasurer Aderman reported that as of September 30, 2009 the Town had a total of \$386,642.56 in all of their accounts and that she and Clerk Henk balance for the month and the Fire Department continues to receive donations by mail. Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to accept Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

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Nothing to report from Clerk Henk. Nies stated we are in the process of ordering some new chairs for the Town Hall and we are looking for some audience chairs, as well as some nicer chairs to be used by the Election Workers and Town Board. Aderman stated she has contacted Robby Paine to see what is available.

Operator License Application was presented to the Board. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to approve Carole Wielgot. Motion carried.

Motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to set hearing date for the proposed 2010 budget for Monday, November 9, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Hall and to set a reserve date for Monday, November 16, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. if the Levy Limit Worksheets from the Department of Revenue are not received in time to post notices prior the November 9, 2009 meeting. Motion carried.

Proposed Resolution No. 10-12-2009 to amend budget was presented to the Board. McCue read resolution. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies to approve Resolution No. 10-12-2009 and to authorize McCue to sign on behalf of Hall. Motion carried.

A contract agreement from Claude Ringlemon, Town Assessor in the amount of \$17,000.00 was presented to the Board. Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to approve contract and to authorize Hall to sign contract when he gets back. Motion carried.

McCue reported for informational purposes only that the Town received a letter from Joanne Fisher, who was requesting from the Sawyer County Highway Committee, that the speed limit be changed on a portion of County Highway K due to repeated recent accidents and fatalities.

Public Comment.

Motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies to adjourn at 7:19 p.m. Motion carried.

/s/ Dawn Henk, Clerk