

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, December 14, 2009. Members present: Chairperson Justin Hall, Supervisors Dave Aubart, John McCue, Ralph Meixner, Phil Nies, Treasurer Kari Aderman and Clerk Dawn Henk.

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 McCue to approve the agenda with the removal of (b) Driveway Permit Application under Highway Issues and the addition under Old Business (a) Update on Purchase of Lots 4 – 9 Behind Town Hall. Motion carried.

After a review of check vouchers # 21038 to # 21094 from the (R1) checking account, there was a motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to approve. Motion carried.

Minutes of the November 9, 2009 Public Hearing & Special Meeting of the Electors were presented to the Board. Motion by Nies, seconded by McCue to approve. Motion carried.

Minutes of the November 9, 2009 Special Meeting of the Town Board were presented to the Board. Motion by McCue, seconded by Aubart to approve. Motion carried.

Minutes of the November 9, 2009 regular monthly Town Board meeting were presented to the Board. Motion by Nies, seconded by Aubart to approve. Motion carried.

Correspondence received regarding the Northwest Regional Planning Commission will be meeting at our Town Hall on December 16, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. for anyone interested in attending for the Sawyer County Comprehensive Plan.

A variance application from James & Linda (Kremer) Reed was presented to the Board for an after-the-fact variance for the construction of an approximately 504 sq. ft. addition connecting an existing dwelling to an existing detached garage. The resultant total footprint of the existing structures and the addition is approximately 2,588 sq. ft. Approximate setbacks to the ordinary high water mark of Durphee Lake are: Dwelling- 53' and addition- 81'. Variance is requested as Section 4.421(2)(b), Sawyer County Zoning Ordinance, would require that the total footprint, to include the existing structures (dwelling and garage) and the connecting addition, not exceed 1,500 sq. ft. Applicant present. Two letters received with no objections. Nies read Planning Committee recommendation of denial. Lengthy discussion followed. Motion by Nies, seconded by McCue to deny variance. Vote unanimous. Motion carried. The Planning Committee recommendation for denial is on file with Finding of Fact.

The proposed text amendment to Sawyer County Zoning Ordinance-Section 4.23 Access Driveways was presented to the Board. Chairperson Hall explained the amendment would delete access driveway requirements from the County Zoning Ordinance as well as the \$350 fee and give the

power to do driveways back to the townships. Motion by Nies, seconded by Aubart to accept Sawyer County proposal to delete driveway access requirements from the County Zoning Ordinance. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

Minutes of the September 3, 2009 Planning Committee meeting were presented to the Board. Motion by Nies, seconded by McCue to accept. Motion carried. Nies stated the Town received a one-time Environmental Impact Fee adjustment from the American Transmission Company (ATC) of \$3,142.00. Motion by Nies, seconded by McCue for the entire amount be allocated to park expenses to balance the budget. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

Minutes of the November 2, 2009 Fire Department meeting were presented to the Board. Motion by Meixner, seconded by McCue to accept. Motion carried.

Chairperson Hall read Highway Report from Larry Froemel, Highway Crew Chief. Copy on file. Hall stated Froemel thought that although the job was well done, the results were marginal from blowing leaves in Northwoods Beach. Aubart stated the Town of Sand Lake has a blower they made that they use every year. Hall stated he will talk to Highway Crew regarding plowing on Thoroughfare Road Bridge.

Application for a road name from Ben Droessler was presented to the Board for a private access road traveling south off of Fun Valley Road in NW-SE & SWSE 4-40-9 to service five lots. Motion by Meixner, seconded by McCue to approve "Autumn Trail". Vote unanimous. Motion carried. Clerk will mail out a bill for \$100 for cost of sign and installation by Highway Crew.

Hall reported Froemel was hoping to have a plan ready by January meeting for road improvements for Northwoods Beach as requested last month by Board.

Treasurer Aderman reported tax bills were mailed last week and requested permission to pay Mailcall bill when it comes. Motion by Nies, seconded by McCue to authorize paying Mailcall bill upon arrival. Vote unanimous. Motion carried. Aderman reported that as of November 30, 2009 the Town had a total of \$417,354.52 in all of their accounts and that she and Clerk Henk balance for the month. Motion by McCue, seconded by Aubart to accept Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Clerk Henk reported the new chairs arrived for the Town Hall.

Discussion followed regarding the update of purchasing lots 4 – 9 directly behind the Fire Hall. Meixner reported the Town has been trying to contact the owner for nearly ten years without success, until now. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies to authorize Clerk Henk to contact owner and negotiate a price for the purchase of the six lots. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

Town Assessor, Claude Riglemon, was unable to attend meeting due to winter storm. Discussion followed regarding notification from the Department of Revenue requiring the assessed value must be within 10% of the full value at least once during a four-year period.

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Hall stated he has contacted Simone Tremblay and Wendy Sue Hagins regarding nuisance complaints. Hall reported Tremblay has agreed to have the LCO & Bass Lake Fire Departments do a training burn by January 15, 2010 to remove Old Timer's Bar and in return she would make a donation to cover the cost to do the burn. Motion by Nies, seconded by McCue to allow Chairperson to proceed with nuisance complaints for Simone Tremblay and Wendy Sue Hagins and to go to the next step if needed. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

Hall reported Wisconsin has a new electronics recycling law that will go into effect in January, 2010 and the Town's Transfer Station will not accept any disposal of electronic devices. Hall stated the State will have information online of where people can go to dispose of their electronics and Treasurer Aderman included it in the tax bill letter that just went out.

Operators License applications were presented to the Board. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to approve licenses for David Thunder and Janell Nelson. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

A list of election workers were presented to the Board for a two-year term beginning January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2011. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to approve list as presented. Vote unanimous. Motion carried. Copy on file.

Public comment.

Motion by Meixner, seconded by McCue to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. Motion carried.

/s/ Dawn Henk, Clerk