

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, February 12, 2007. Members present: Chairperson Sanders, Supervisors Meixner and Nies, Treasurer Aderman and Clerk Henk.

Chairperson Sanders called the meeting to order at 6:31 P.M.

There was a motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner, to approve the agenda with the additions under Fire Department: (e) Joint Powers Agreement and (f) Ken Shuey dedication, as well as under Highway (a) Bridge Inspection. Motion carried.

After a review of the vouchers for January, there was a motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies to pay them. Motion carried.

Clerk Henk read the minutes of the January 8, 2007 regular board meeting. Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to approve minutes as read with the correction to read "Motion by Meixner, seconded by Sanders to accept the recommendation of the Planning Committee to approve Russ Iverson as Chairperson for a 3-year term to expire in 2010, and Dave Aubart as Vice Chairperson for the remainder of his term." Motion carried.

Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to add to future agenda's a "Public Comment" before adjourning.

Chairperson Sanders read letter from Clerk Henk to William Christman, Administrator at Sawyer County Zoning clarifying Northwoods Beach Commercial Zone District delineation desired by the Board. Copy of letter and map on file.

Driveway permits from R. Ogren and S. Trembley were presented to the Board. Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to approve both. Motion carried.

Chairperson Sanders read updates received from Sawyer County Zoning Administration: Variance Application-T. Antell was approved and Rezone Application-Sawyer County Housing Authority was tabled until June 15, 2007.

Supervisor Nies clarified the proposed Sawyer County Wind Energy System Ordinance and encouraged interested parties to attend the public hearing on Friday, February 16, 2007.

Planning Committee Minutes from January 4, 2007 were presented to the Board. Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to approve. Motion carried. Chairperson

Sanders questioned completion of signs by TMJ Signs. Nies stated R. Iverson may do instead.

No minutes were available from the January Fire Department Business meeting.

The fourth quarter, 2006 Fire Department payroll was presented to the Board for after the fact approval. Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to approve.

Fire Department New Hire Forms will be available from the Fire Chief, Chris Headley or the Clerk. These forms need to be completed and back to the clerk, including the original ID required for the I-9 forms within three days of the original date the person was hired. The date of hire begins when the fire department votes at a meeting to approve/accept the individual as a member. Clerk Henk also reminded the Fire Department members to cash their checks in a timely manner, as they are void after 90 days.

The Fire Department received a 2% Fire Dues Notice to Rescind the Notice of Noncompliance from the Wisconsin Department of Commerce. The 2% fire dues inspections requirements state the inspections need to be completed twice a year.

Chairperson Sanders presented a Joint Power Agreement with Sawyer County, in which Bass Lake would respond to calls outside of the township and be effective January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007. Sanders had concerns regarding insurance coverage if no mutual aid. Motion by Sanders, seconded by Nies to approve contingent upon corporate council review.

The dedication for the 27-year Fire Chief veteran, Ken Shuey, will be on Monday, February 19th, 2007 at 6:30 PM at the town hall. The Board had been awaiting the Governors' proclamation for his many years of service.

Fire Chief Headley made a request for 4 members to attend an EMS Training Seminar at Telemark on March 9th and 10th, 2007. The Registration fee was \$130 per person. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Sanders to approve expenditure. Motion carried.

Sawyer County Highway Department submitted a bill of \$105.00 for the biannual inspection of the Thoroughfare Road Bridge. Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to pay. Motion carried.

Highway Crew Chief Froemel requested to advertise for bids to be submitted to complete striping and fog lines on approximately 14 miles of roadway using the grant already submitted.

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Move to old business-Enbridge Energy. The Board had concerns regarding damage to McLeod Road where the pipeline had previously come through. There was a motion by Nies, seconded by Sanders to approve the highway excavation permit numbers 2007-02-12 and 2007-12-13 on the condition that current damage on McLeod Road be resolved first and they contact Crew Chief Froemel before any construction begins. Motion carried. Clerk Henk will contact R. Turner regarding conditions set by Board.

Treasurer Aderman gave the Treasurer's report that as of January 31, 2007 the Town had \$2,175,630.58 in all of their accounts and that she and Clerk Henk balance for the month. There was a motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to approve. Motion carried.

Treasurer Aderman requested the purchase of a new laptop computer for the Treasurer due to continuing problems with her current system, as well as at the recommendation of Ken Hebbe at Sawyer County. She will submit several price quotes at the next meeting.

Clerk Henk presented an updated "Permits Requirement" sheet including the new clerk information to the Board. This sheet will be distributed by Sawyer County Zoning when people are applying for various permits.

Chairperson Sanders read letter sent to Sheriff James Meier seeking clarification of current response policy and ideas of how to help reduce future problems. Sanders met with Meier on Friday to discuss and read letter in response to town concerns. Discussion followed. Town residents in the audience had various ideas for crime prevention. The town will continue to be diligent in crime prevention.

A Special Circumstances Water Exhibition Permit from Tom Burgess, representing the Lac Courte Orielles Sailing Club was presented to the Board for September 1, 2007. Discussion followed. Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to approve. Motion carried.

Enbridge Energy had already been discussed earlier.

Chairperson Sanders has been in communication with Chris Loken from Johnson Insurance Services regarding a Health Reimbursement Account (HRA) for town employees. The Town would need to draw up a document that is different from the already approved fee. The total cost would be \$1,000.00. There has been no draft completed as of yet. Sanders has been in contact with the Town's attorney.

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The lease agreement between Habitat for Humanity and the Town regarding the building being put up by the highway shop is being proposed for a twenty year period at the cost of \$1.00. Habitat for Humanity would be responsible for any utilities, taxes, insurances, etc. associated with the building. Also, if the organization would ever dissolve, the physical property would then become property of the Town. Sanders will consult corporate council and will forward to Habitat for Humanity.

Steve Friendsshuh has proposed to donate land to the Town located off Williams Road with ample road access. Motion by Nies, seconded by Sanders to authorize Nies to pursue the gift of the property.

A Bartender License application for Alice Lamphear was presented to the Board. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies to approve. Motion carried.

Chairperson Sanders read certified letter from M. Shal, including the returned check number 18934, regarding Mr. Shal's temporarily filling in for G. Harrison at the landfill for several days in 2006.

A request from a Town employee to reimburse them for health care costs in the amount of \$431.15 was presented to the Board. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies to pay and the amount to be deducted from the person's 2007 HRA amount.

The Highway Crew requested paying the disbursement of deferred compensation to Great West Retirement immediately following each payroll on the 1st and 16th, instead of monthly after the 16th payroll as it is currently being done. Clerk Henk reported the Town is currently in compliance with IRS code and is remitting within 15 business days following payday. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies to maintain paying to Great West once a month following the 16th payroll.

The Board discussed personnel policy. It will be added to next month's agenda for further review.

Public Comment- H. Chevrier inquired as to if there was better response time from the fire department with the addition of more member and its' implication on home owners insurance. Fire Chief Headley stated one year is needed to compare data for response time. Chairperson Sanders stated it is very difficult to change an insurance fire rating, but the new truck will have a compressed foam unit, therefore reducing the need to supply as much water to site of fire.

There being no further business to come before the Board, there was a motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to adjourn at 8:26 P.M
/s/ Dawn Henk, Clerk