

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, June 11, 2007. Members present: Chairperson Sanders, Supervisors Hall, Meixner, McCue 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 McCue, to approve the Agenda. Motion carried.

After a review of the check vouchers #19308 to #19356 from the (R1) checking account, and #1154 from the (R2) tax account, there was a motion by Hall, seconded by Meixner to pay them. Motion carried.

Minutes of the May 14, 2007 regular monthly board meeting were presented to the board. Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to approve. Motion carried.

The variance application from Ruger TD, LLC regarding setbacks to wetland has been formally withdrawn at Sawyer County Zoning.

The rezone application from Sawyer County Housing Authority was presented to the board to rehear. The Sawyer County Housing Authority Representative present stated they no longer want to currently build at this point, but would still like it zoned residential. Lengthy discussion followed. Supervisor Nies stated Planning Committee reconfirmed recommendation for denial for same finding of facts as in September. Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to deny application. All in favor; Meixner, Nies and McCue. All opposed; Hall & Sanders. Motion passed. Finding of facts on file.

Planning Committee Minutes from May 3, 2007 were presented to the Board. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Hall to approve. Motion carried.

Chairperson Sanders thanked Helen Chevrier for her seven years of dedication and service and presented her a plaque in recognition for all her hard work.

Planning Committee Membership was presented to the Board. Chairperson Sanders stated he is not prepared to submit names at this point, but is hoping to next month.

Supervisor Nies reported on Steve Sletner-zoning update. Sletner has asked for his application to be tabled until August 2007, and the Clerk has sent letter to Zoning, requesting the Planning Committee and Town Board to rehear application when it comes through zoning again.

Planning Committee recommendations for Grindstone Shallows Park signs were presented to the Board. One sign will have park rules, and one will state “no lifeguard on duty”. Board stated the boat landing is exempt from the rules.

Discussion took place regarding who will service the bathroom and pick up at Grindstone Shallows Park. Board stated the Highway Crew would be responsible for it.

Minutes of the May 2007 Fire Department Business Meetings were presented to the Board. No minutes were available from the April meeting at this time. Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to accept the May minutes. Motion carried.

The proposed resolution authorizing the Town to borrow \$193,000.00 for the purchase of a fire truck was presented to the Board. Chairperson Sanders stated a Special Emergency Meeting would be held June 12, 2007 at 6:30 P.M. at the Hall to pass the resolution.

Proposal of bid requests for reconstruction of Rainbow Road was presented to the Board. Highway Crew Chief Froemel was not present, but had discussed request with Chairperson Sanders. Motion by Nies, seconded by Hall to authorize Clerk to advertise for bids with the specs from Froemel and McCue. Motion carried.

Supervisor Nies reported most of the buoys on Lac Courte Orielles Lake have lost their anchors and four more need to be made.

Fire Chief Headley inquired as to who will pay for the new block on the fire pit in front of the Town Hall and Fire Hall. Chairperson Sanders stated the Town will.

Treasurers Aderman gave the Treasurer’s report that as of May 31, 2007 the town had a total of \$349,960.34 in all of their accounts and that she and Clerk Henk balance for the month. Motion by Nies, seconded by Hall to accept the report. Motion carried.

Clerk Henk reported that the Sawyer County Unit of WTA had requested \$50.00 per year for annual dues. Motion by Nies, seconded by Sanders to send \$50 to pay annual Sawyer County Unit of WTA. Motion carried.

Clerk Henk received a call regarding the use of Grindstone Shallows Park for large groups. Discussion followed. Motion by McCue, seconded by Nies to have as a first come, first serve basis. Motion carried.

Move to DNR Clean Boats/ Clean Water program. Kristi Maki from the DNR, and Jan Hahn representing Courte Orielles Lake Association (COLA) was present to request a donation of \$1,250.00 to help pay people to monitor boats at Lac Courte Orielles Lake for invasive species. Discussion followed. COLA is applying for a grant in August that will help next year, but need funding for half of cost for 2007. Sanders inquired as to what amount of time it will provide. Hahn stated individuals are usually paid \$9-\$10 per

hour for approximately twenty hours per week for fourteen weeks (Memorial Day to Labor Day). Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to make a one-time donation to the project for \$1,250.00 and for the funds to come from the American Transmission Company (ATC-Powerline) funds. Motion carried.

Local Government Property Insurance Fund (LGPIG) Resolution was presented to the Board. Chairperson Sanders explained this is the cheapest insurance available to municipalities and the resolution allows Town to continue carrying insurance with them. Motion by Hall, seconded by McCue to authorize resolution number 5-11-2007. Motion carried.

The sign for Grindstone Shallows Park Rules has already been discussed.

Liquor and Cigarette License Applications were presented to the Board. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Hall to renew current liquor licenses. Motion carried. Liquor licenses for Lakeview and Pat's Old Timers Bar were not renewed this year due to no application filed with Clerk.

Operator License Applications were presented to the Board. Motion by McCue, seconded by Nies to approve applications with no criminal history found on background check. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Hall to approve all other applications contingent upon them correcting their application to reflect the criminal history discovered on background check.

Application for a Temporary Class "B" Picnic License and a Temporary Operator License for the Grindstone Lake Association picnic on July 7, 2007 was presented to the Board. Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to approve. Motion carried.

Application for a Temporary Class "B" Picnic License for Courte Orielle Lake Association on July 28, 2007 was presented to the Board. Motion by Meixner, seconded by McCue to approve. Motion carried.

Move back to auditor report-Dan Thole of Larson, Allen, Weishair and Co. Dan Thole was present to review audit done for Town due to USDA Rural Development Loan/Grant requirement for purchase of fire truck. Thole reviewed management letters and financial statements and supplementary information with Board. Thole stated revenues were \$2,540.00 greater than expenses for 2006. Thole recommended collateralizational agreement with Johnson Bank when bank balance exceeds \$400,000 to ensure adequate coverage of funds. Thole stated due to limitation in staff size, segregation of duties is difficult, but Board has responsibility to know what is going on and to implement new procedures if needed. Thole also stated documents need to have original invoices. Photocopies or faxes are not acceptable forms of documentation. Sanders inquired as to where bills should be sent. Thole stated although not necessary, it is good idea for them to come to Hall, but be reviewed with department heads. Sanders inquired as to

separation of fire department donations funds. Thole stated an ordinance must be created detailing what the money can be spent on and who has authorization to spend, as well as an annual report needs to be submitted to the Town Board. He also stated that even if an ordinance is created, the money is at all times the Town's money. Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to accept auditor report from Larson, Allen, Weishar & Company. Motion carried.

Public Comment.

There being no further business to come before the Board, there was a motion by Meixner, seconded by Hall to adjourn at 8:35 P.M and go into closed session in accordance with §19.85 (c)(f) and § 19.85 (2) for the purpose of employee evaluation, employment, promotion or compensation and may reconvene into open session.

/s/ Dawn Henk, Clerk