

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, August 11, 2008. Members present: Chairperson Sanders, Supervisors Hall, Meixner, McCue, Nies, Treasurer Aderman and Clerk Henk.

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

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

There was a motion by Hall, seconded by McCue to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

After a review of check vouchers #20138 to #20183 from the (R1) checking account, there was a motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to approve. Motion carried.

Minutes of the July 12, 2008 Board of Review meeting were presented to the Board. Motion by Meixner, seconded by McCue to approve. Motion carried.

Minutes of the July 14, 2008 regular monthly Town Board meeting were presented to the Board. Motion by Nies, seconded by Hall to approve. Motion carried.

Chairperson Sanders stated that due to no business, there was no Planning Committee meeting held in August.

Sanders presented plaque to Russ Iverson and thanked him for recognition of his eight years of dedicated service on the Planning Committee.

Supervisor Nies reported Sawyer County Land and Water Conservation have planted \$440.00 worth of bushes in the restoration area at the Grindstone Shallows Park to replace plants that were previously mowed. He stated one "Restoration Area" sign is up and the second one will be installed later in the week. Nies also stated he has received a recommendation from a resident requesting there to be one large sign board at Grindstone Shallows Park, rather than the six individual signs that are currently there. Chairperson Sanders stated the Highway Crew reported that there has not been a lot of restroom use at the Park this summer.

The minutes of the July 1, 2008 Fire Department business meeting were presented to the board. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies to accept. Motion carried.

General Operations SOP's and SOG's will be reviewed with the FD Ad Hoc Committee Report later in the meeting.

Fire Chief Mullet reported the Reznor Model B400 furnace donated by the LCO Fire Department was inspected by Andry Rasmussen and they will give the town a cost estimate to convert it to propane and to install it.

Chairperson Sanders reported that by November, 2008, all EMS Services are required to input data into a web-based database. Sanders he suggested enabling the wireless internet at the Town Hall to see if the signal can be received at the Fire Hall as well, and to secure it with a password. If this

doesn't work due to the tin siding on the Fire Hall, he suggested connecting the internet using the separate Fire Hall phone line instead. Motion by Hall, seconded by Sanders to supply the Fire Hall with internet capabilities.

Chairperson Sanders thanked the Badger Women's Club for their donation of three light batons to the Fire Department.

Chairperson Sanders presented and read his FD Ad Hoc Committee Report. Copy on file.

Discussion followed regarding FD Ad Hoc Committee recommendations and General Operations SOP's and SOG's for the Fire Department. Chairperson Sanders reported the Town Clerk sent a copy of the SOP's and SOG's to all of the Fire Department members for review. Fire Chief Mullet stated the membership approved them at their last meeting. The Clerk also sent copies to the Town Board Members for review and final approval. Sanders stated some of the highlighted areas include; the Town is the employer on record and is the legal authority, the Fire Department is a department of the Town and all policies and procedures must be approved by the Town Board, the Town Treasurer and Town Clerk are in control of all Town monies, fund raising monies are kept in a separate Town account and maintained by the Town Treasurer, the Town finances the department through taxes and the Fire Chief is responsible to present a proposed Fire Department budget to the Town Clerk by September 15th of each year, membership must adhere to Wisconsin Child Labor Laws, members may only belong to one Fire Department, equipment is the property of the Town and may only be used for Town business, and finally a new membership application process in which individuals complete an application, an officers committee reviews the application, the Fire Department membership makes a recommendation and finally it is presented to the Town Board for final approval. Supervisor Hall suggested using the official Town Hall address for Incident Command and information can be put in the Fire Chief's box in Clerk's office. Discussion also included having physical limitations/disabilities questions on the application or having a cover sheet stating strenuous physical requirements are necessary to perform the duties as well have having a physical exam done and the legalities and costs of these. Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to accept the recommendations from the FD Ad Hoc Committee and the Fire Department Members and to approve the By-Laws, the Governance Structures, the SOP's and the SOG's presented with the change of using the official Town address for all and to have legal council review and modify application if necessary to include physical limitations and/or physical requirements. Motion carried. Clerk Henk stated she would like to see mandatory use of issued/returned equipment forms for inventory accountability purposes. Chairperson Sanders stated they will be included with the documentation.

A driveway permit for Craig and Heidi Cooper was presented to the Board. Motion by Nies, seconded by Hall to approve. Motion carried.

Supervisor McCue stated the Highway Crew submitted three quotes from three sign companies as follows:
Quotes for Northwoods Beach Signs:

McKenzie Supply 1660 20-1/2 Street/Hwy SS	{ \$5,448.00 w/o posts Vol 08 Pg 51
Lange Enterprises, Inc \$5,581 P.O. Box 4 Oconomowoc, WI 53066	{ 76 w/o posts \$8,957.66 w/10-1/2' posts \$9,450.56 w/12' posts
Rent-a-flash	{ \$5,472.85 w/o posts \$7,751.35 w/10' posts \$8,123.35 w/12' posts

Quotes for 9" Signs (# 1):

McKenzie Supply 1660 20-1/2 Street/Hwy SS Rice Lake, WI 54868	{	\$2,419.00 w/o posts \$30/ea. For 10' posts \$36/ea. For 12' posts
Lange Enterprises, Inc P.O. Box 4 Oconomowoc, WI 53066	{	\$2,757.88 w/o posts
Rent-a-flash	{	\$2,459.00 w/o posts

Quotes for 9" and 6" Signs (#2):

McKenzie Supply 1660 20-1/2 Street/Hwy SS Rice Lake, WI 54868	{	\$1,666.50 w/o posts
Lange Enterprises, Inc P.O. Box 4 Oconomowoc, WI 53066	{	\$1,933.35 w/o posts
Rent-a-flash	{	\$1,933.00 High Visibility w/o posts \$1,678.05 Low Visibility w/o posts

Chairperson Sanders stated if there wasn't enough money to do all of the them, he would like to see preference given to Northwoods Beach signs. Copy on file. Motion by Nies, seconded by Hall purchase signs and supplies from Rent-a-flash not to exceed \$10,000.00 if there is money left in the budget. Motion carried.

Treasurer Aderman reported that as of July 31, 2008 the Town had a total of \$230,992.31 in all of their accounts and that she and Clerk Henk balance for the month. Motion by Nies, seconded by Hall to accept Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

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Move back to Stone Hill Road Bids. Treasurer Aderman presented a worksheet with cost projections for proposed highway projects for the remainder of 2008. Copy on file. Aderman reported the town received \$30,016.57 of extra revenue in 2008 because Plum Creek withdrew property from the MFL program and the town budgeted \$14,883 in Highway Equipment that could also be used for roads by amending the budget. Aderman stated Gary Gedart, Sawyer County Highway Department was projecting road

construction costs to increase 40% next year due to increased cost of fuel and supplies and he recommended the town complete projects this year even if they needed to borrow money to do it. Motion by Hall, seconded by McCue to accept Sawyer County Highway Department bid of \$73,325.00 to asphalt Stone Hill Road. Motion carried. Original sealed bids for Stone Hill Road were opened at June 9, 2008 Board meeting and had been tabled. Aderman inquired as to if all the proposed projects listed on her

worksheet were to be completed in 2008 including; asphaltting the Town Hall and Fire Hall parking lots, asphaltting the south end of Thoroughfare Road past the bridge, installing concrete slab at Windigo Boat Landing with 50/50 DNR grant, as well as asphaltting Stone Hill Road. Chairperson Sanders affirmed all of these projects are to be done this year.

There was nothing to report from Clerk Henk.

Sanders reported he has had no response from the DNR to find out if a permit is needed to collect white goods year round and as soon as he hears from the DNR, he will contact Timeless Services.

Supervisor Hall reported the Town Hall and Fire Hall parking lots are scheduled to be asphalted on August 25, 2008.

Supervisor Nies reported there will be a preconstruction meeting with the engineers for the Thoroughfare Road Bridge on August 13th at the Town Hall and the public is welcome to attend.

John Bixby submitted cost estimates for sidewalk repairs. Copy on file. Motion by McCue, seconded by Nies to approve bid from Bixby of \$1,745.00 to replace sidewalk and repair handicap ramp at Town Hall and to have the Highway Crew complete the demolition work. Bixby will coordinate with Highway Crew and Clerk for suitable dates for the work to be completed.

Sanders reported Attorney Ward Winton is currently researching legal ownership of Williams Resort property and will send a certified letter to owner(s) and try to mediate situation before the Town proceeds with legal action.

Chairperson Sanders presented blueprints for proposed easement for the Lac Courte Oreilles Water Main Extension project that would be cross town roads and be on town right-of-ways. Copy on file. Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner approve with the request that any town roads crossed are to be bored under, rather than cut through. Motion carried.

Supervisor Nies reported he spoke to the individual who owns the public nuisance property on Poplar Avenue last year and the building was supposed to be taken down. Nies spoke to him again recently and the property owner has agreed to remove old boats and miscellaneous items before winter and the building will be removed by April 15, 2009. Motion by Sanders, seconded by Hall to

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authorize Clerk Henk and Supervisor Nies to compose a letter to the property owner reiterating these terms. Motion carried.

Public comment.

Motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies at 8:45 p.m. to go into closed session pursuant Wis. Statutes § (1)(b)(c)(f)(g) and § 19.85 (2) after a ten minutes recess. Motion carried.

/s/ Dawn Henk, Clerk