

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, September 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.

There was a motion by Nies, seconded by McCue to approve the agenda with the addition of Tim Luther under (b) Driveway Permit Applications and to move (d) Open & Accept Bids for Highway Plow/Sanding/Dump Truck to position (a) under Highway Issues. Motion carried.

After a review of check vouchers # 20888 to # 20941 from the (R1) checking account, there was a motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to hold bill from Fahrner for seal coat & crack seal to be discussed at the end of the meeting under New Business and to approve all other vouchers presented. Motion carried.

Minutes of the August 10, 2009 regular monthly Town Board meeting were presented to the Board. Motion by Nies, seconded by McCue to approve. Motion carried.

Chairperson Hall read correspondence from Sawyer County Zoning- Newberry approved & Sletner tabled.

A conditional use application from Steve Sletner, Cranberry Ridge, LLC was presented to the Board. Applicant requested application be tabled until next month. Motion by Nies, seconded by Aubart to table until next month. Motion carried.

A variance application from Michael and Joy Falch was presented to the Board for the construction of a 20' x 28' addition onto an existing dwelling at setback distances of 42' to the ordinary high-water mark (OHWM) of Durphee Lake and 22' to the centerline of the easement road. The variance is requested as Section 4.421 (2)(b)(2), Sawyer County Zoning Ordinance, would require that the addition be located on the landward side of the cabin but no closer than 75' to the OHWM of the lake and Section 4.21 (6) would require a minimum setback distance of 30' to the centerline of the access easement. Eight letters were sent, four returned with no objections and no comments. Applicant present and he provided Board with copy of blueprint. Nies stated Planning Committee recommended approval with condition. Discussion followed. Motion by Meixner, seconded by McCue to approve with condition **that there be no further expansions or additional structures added to parcel in the future.** Applicant agreed to condition. Motion carried. The Planning Committee recommendation to approve with condition is on file with Finding of Fact.

Minutes of the July 2, 2009 Planning Committee meeting were presented to the Board. Motion by Nies, seconded by Aubart to accept. Motion carried.

Discussion followed regarding Town Hall Park Pavilion and the need for new grass to be planted around it. Motion by Aubart, seconded by McCue to have black dirt delivered and to have grass seeded down around the Pavilion. Motion carried.

Chairperson Hall reported the Suhsen family returned the \$100 gift certificate check for Castawayz and they would like to see those monies go towards playground equipment or something for the Town Hall Park.

Minutes of the August 3, 2009 Fire Department meeting were presented to the Board. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies to accept. Motion carried.

No bids were received for the Fire Department 1979 Ford Cube Van. Discussion followed. Motion by Nies, seconded by McCue to authorize Fire Chief Mullet to negotiate for the highest amount he can get for the sale of the vehicle. Motion carried.

Discussion followed regarding the Fire Department surplus water pumps. Chairperson Hall reported Steve Adamski, the Car Doctor is interested in trading labor of \$2,000.00 for the annual pump testing for the two fire engines in exchange for the surplus water pumps the Town currently has. Motion by Nies, seconded by Aubart to authorize Fire Chief Mullet to talk to Steve Adamski and get the best possible deal in exchange for the water pumps. Motion carried.

Discussion followed regarding location of the BBQ Pit. Motion by Nies, seconded by McCue to move the BBQ Pit to the back in the Town Hall Park area. All in favor: Aubart, McCue, Meixner and Nies. All opposed: Hall. Motion carried. Board would like the project started now so that it can be constructed next spring. Fire Chief Mullet will come up with a design to present to the Board.

Chairperson Hall opened bids for Highway Plow/Sanding/Dump truck. Hall stated the bids would not be awarded until the October 12, 2009 Town Board meeting, after the Board has conducted the Town's Budget Workshop meeting and they have been reviewed by Highway Crew Chief, Froemel. Bids are as follows;

**Truck Chassis Only:**

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| Boyer International<br>21701 Industrial Blvd<br>Rogers, MN 55374 | New 2010 IHC \$72,750 Minus Trade In value of 1998 IHC<br>(\$15,000) = 57,750 |
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| Wisconsin Kenworth<br>6013 3M Drive<br>Menomonie, WI 54751 | New 2010 Chassis \$85,650 Minus Trade-In Value of 1998 IHC<br>(\$8,500) = \$77,150 |
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| River States Truck<br>6124 Chuck Lane<br>Eau Claire, WI 54703 | New 2010 \$70,052 Minus Trade-In Value of 1998 IHC<br>(\$3,500) = \$66,552 |
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| Meyer Sales Company | F.O.B Body Company with Trade-In and 2007 Engine Spec., Lic<br>Vol 09 Pg 36 |
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| 600 N 1 <sup>st</sup> Street<br>Cameron, WI 54822 | & Taxes = \$55,207.38+ approx \$6,000 more if want 2010 Engine<br>(45 to 60 day's delivery) |
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**Hydraulic Packages Only:**

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| Stainless & Repair Inc.<br>8765 East 29 <sup>th</sup> Street<br>Marshfield, WI 54449 | \$38,275 + extra \$1,685 for Stainless Steel Spreader (without<br>vibrator) = \$39,950 |
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| Indianhead Truck Equip<br>5310 Packer Drive | \$41,250+ extra \$950 for Stainless Steel Sander (without vibrator)<br>= \$42,200 |
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Menomonie, WI 54751

Universal Truck Equip                      \$37,964 Class 50 Underbody Hoist+ extra \$695 for Stainless  
Hwy 54/93                                      Steel Sander = \$38,659  
N15921 Schubert Rd.  
Galesville, WI 54630                      \$36,626 Telescopic Hoist+ extra \$695 for Stainless Steel Sander  
= \$37,321

Monroe Truck Equip                      \$39,840 + extra \$275 for Timbren Load Booster = \$40,115  
1601 East 29<sup>th</sup> Street  
Marshfield, WI 54449

McKenzie Equipment                      \$34,795 + extra \$860 for Stainless Steel Sander = \$36,515  
1660 20-1/2 Street  
Rice Lake, WI 54868

**Truck Chassis including Hydraulic Package:**

River States Truck                      New 2010 with Box from Indianhead Truck Equipment  
6124 Chuck Lane                      \$111,302 Minus Trade-In Value Of 1998 IHC (\$3,500)= \$107,802  
Eau Claire, WI 54703

Boyer Trucks Superior                      New 2010 Boyer M2 Chassis = \$68,146 + \$39,840 for Monroe  
1202 Susquehanna Ave.                      Plow Equip + \$206 FET tire credit, minus Trade-In Value of  
Superior, WI 54880                      1998 IHC (\$15,000) = \$92,780

New 2010 Boyer M2 Chassis = \$68,146 + \$38,275 for Stainless Plow  
Equip = \$206 for FET tire credit, minus Trade-In Value of 1998  
IHC (\$15,000) = \$91,215

Mid-State Truck Service                      New 2010 International (Ready to go) \$115,500 + \$703 to  
1107W Clairemont Ave                      change Hitch & Plow, Minus Trade-In Value of 1998 IHC  
Eau Claire, WI 54702                      (\$16,000)= \$99,500

Motion by Nies, seconded by McCue to accept bids as presented. Motion carried.

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Driveway permit applications for Barbara Britton and Tim Luther were presented to the Board. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies to approve both applications. Motion carried.

Discussion followed regarding the alignment of Rohlf Road with part of it being on Federal property, as well as the poor condition of parts of the road for the school bus. Chairperson Hall stated he spoke to a woman from the Federal Forest Department and explained to her that since it is an existing road, the Town is not obligated to move it and that the Town does not have funding to change the road. Hall reported the Federal Government would be interested in moving the road at their cost, but they currently don't have available funding either. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to only finish Rohlf Road up to the edge of the private property line and to tree it out to the NE corner of the NE corner and make it passable for the school bus including an adequate turnaround at this point. Motion to also include having Froemel bring an estimate of what it would cost to finish the remaining part of Rohlf Road to the Budget Workshop meeting. Motion carried.

Chairperson Hall read the Highway Report from Larry Froemel, Highway Crew Chief. Copy on file. Motion by Nies, seconded by Aubart for the Town to contract out for gravel for Boylan Road. Motion carried.

Supervisor Nies inquired if Highway Crew Chief Froemel has ordered the winter road salt. Hall reported it is already done and Froemel has cut back the amount for this winter.

Supervisor Aubart stated there has been a request from Kraig and Elizabeth Gay on Old Hwy 27 for "Slow Children" signs. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies to put two "Slow Children" signs on Old Hwy 27. Motion carried.

Supervisor Nies stated Grindstone Shallows boat landing is very shallow and he would like to see a sign put up directing people to a deeper boat landing such as the old DNR boat landing. He would also like to see better signage off of Highway K for the old DNR boat landing and inquired if the Town could work with the DNR for this. Hall reported he has spoken to Froemel regarding redoing the shallow boat landing and Froemel with contact Nies regarding this.

Discussion followed regarding revising the time sheets for the Highway Department to be more item specific, allowing the Board to go back at any time and determine what they were doing on a daily basis and how many hours were needed for specific items. For example: When, where and how long they mowed on a given day. Board requested the Highway Department use the revised time sheets immediately.

Treasurer Aderman stated all of the LCO Tax Exemption Charge backs have been completed, but the check issued to AJ Fogel has repeatedly come back as "undeliverable" despite her efforts to find a valid address since this June. Aderman spoke to the Town's Auditor, Dan Thole, CPA and upon his recommendation, she is requesting permission to void the check and to reissue it to Fogel if he is ever found. Motion by Nies, seconded by Aubart to authorize Treasurer Aderman to void check # 1247 for \$98.43 for A.J. Fogel and to reissue it if he is found. Motion carried.

Treasurer Aderman reported that as of August 31, 2009 the Town had a total of \$434,138.94 in all of their accounts and that she and Clerk Henk balance for the month. Treasurer Aderman stated the

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Fire Department continues to receive donations by mail and currently the Fire Department Picnic has cleared over \$7,000.00. Motion by Aubart, seconded by Nies to accept Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Clerk Henk reported the Town Hall would be closed tomorrow due to training for the Clerk and Treasurer.

Clerk Henk stated that as per Board instruction, she called and received price quotes for price per gallon over cost for bulk diesel and gas. They were as follows: COMO - \$0.20, Heinz - \$0.15, Northern Lakes Co-op - \$0.21 and Stone Lake Oil - \$0.21. Discussion followed regarding not being valid system for determining who is actually cheapest because base "cost" for each may vary widely and is not known. Motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to remain with COMO. Motion carried.

Discussion followed regarding proposal from Gary Gedart, Sawyer County Highway Commissioner, to give County Hwy KK to the Town. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies to turn down the proposed gift of County Hwy KK to the Town. Motion carried.

The LCO Athletic Club presented an application for Successor Agent, Roger Diamond, Jr. to the Board. Discussion followed regarding possible adjustment of fees at budget time if an establishment has more than one successor agent within a year. Also discussed was the right the Board has to revoke liquor licenses if establishments have not turned in their necessary paperwork by the deadlines, as it is not the Clerk's

responsibility to continually track them down. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to approve Roger Diamond, Jr. as successor agent for the LCO Athletic Club. Motion carried.

Board set Budget Workshop for Monday, October 5, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Chairperson Hall stated the Clerk's position needs to be reappointed every so many years. Motion by McCue, seconded by Nies to reappoint Dawn Henk as Town Clerk. Motion carried.

Discussion followed regarding Fahner bill that was held aside at beginning of meeting. Fahner bill was approximately \$6,000.00 over the approved bid. Hall stated Froemel told him 1.68 miles of seal coat was done and only 1.09 miles were originally bid, therefore the cost was over the bid. Board asked as to who authorized Froemel to go \$6,000.00 over bid, as well as to do 500' extra on Rehor Road. Board also wanted to know why the original bid request from Froemel did not state accurate mileage to begin with. Hall will speak to Froemel to get an explanation as to why it happened and he will inform him that he does not have the authority to approve cost overruns.

Public Comment.

Motion by Meixner, seconded by McCue to adjourn at 7:54 p.m. Motion carried.

/s/ Dawn Henk, Clerk