

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 14, 2006. Members present: Chairperson Sanders, Supervisors Meixner and Nies, Treasurer Aderman, Deputy Clerk Hanus, and Clerk Henk.

Chairperson Sanders called the meeting to order at 6:32 P.M.

There was a motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

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

Chairperson Sanders read the minutes of the July 10, 2006 regular monthly meeting. There was a motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried.

A variance application from Betchkal Properties for the construction of an accessory building on vacant property, the residential structure being on a parcel separated by a town road was presented to the Board. Chris Headley spoke on the behalf of Betchkal Properties and showed pictures of other garages on vacant property in the Town of Bass Lake. The Planning Committee recommended denial of the variance application. Discussion followed. Four letters were received from Zoning. Three were in favor and one was against, stating it should remain residential. Chairperson Sanders read a letter dated August 4, 2006 from Linn Newton in favor of the project. She was also present at the meeting. Motion to deny was made by Nies. With no second, the motion failed. Discussion followed. Motion to deny by Meixner, seconded by Nies. Motion carried. The Planning Committee recommendation to deny is on file with finding of fact.

A special use application from James Wulf for the construction of a year-round dwelling in a Forestry One (F-1) Zone district was presented to the Board. James Wulf spoke on his own behalf. He has 15 acres, exceeding the 5 acre minimum. The Planning Committee recommended approval with conditions. The Planning Committee recommendation to approve is on file with finding of fact.

Chairperson Sanders read notice from Sawyer County Zoning Board of Appeals dated July 19, 2006 denying the variance application for the Chicago Club Resort Partnership.

Supervisor Meixner requested clarification from Zoning regarding agriculture requirements for vacant land with storage buildings.

Planning Committee Minutes were not available from the July 6, 2006 meeting.

Helen Chevrier from the Planning Committee spoke to remind the Board that the Indianhead Community Action Agency is interested in rezoning Summerset Acres on Anderson Road.

Chairman Sanders inquired about the progress, or lack thereof, at Grindstone Shallows. Members of the Planning Committee have tried repeatedly to contact the contractor without success. They have left several messages, but have not had a response back from him.

Chairperson Sanders read the minutes of the July 3, 2006 Fire Department business meeting. There was a motion to accept by Meixner, seconded by Nies. Motion carried.

A request from the Fire Department for a petty cash account was discussed. Treasurer Aderman contacted Mike Hager at Anderson, Hager, and Moe. Hager did not recommend a petty cash account for audit purposes. Aderman presented information from Johnson Bank regarding account options. Several other neighboring towns do not recommend petty cash accounts, as there is no accountability. Discussion followed. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies to establish a petty cash account using a debit card in the amount of \$100, which has no access to cash machines. The receipts must be received by the Clerk before the monthly board meetings. Motion carried. Treasurer Aderman will establish account with primary person listed as Fire Chief, Chris Headley.

Bids for raw materials were presented to the Board. John Williams from Williams Gravel Pit bid \$.50/yard pit run. There was a motion to accept by Sanders, seconded by Meixner. Motion carried.

Bids for the tractor and mower were presented to the Board. Bob Thompson bid \$5,500.00 and Leon Suhsen bid \$1,500.00. There was a motion by Nies, seconded by Sanders to accept the Thompson bid. Motion carried.

Bayview Lane and Point Drive were discussed. There was a motion by Sanders, seconded by Nies to have Bayview Lane the named road onto County Road E. Motion carried.

Chairperson Sanders expressed concern regarding the 911 system being unable to accurately locate some properties. This was a word of warning to address the anomalies in the system.

The petition to close Poplar Avenue from the west was presented to the Board. Supervisor Nies stated that it does not conform to the Town's Comprehensive Plan. There was a motion to deny by Meixner, seconded by Nies. Motion carried.

Road Crew Chief Larry Froemel reported to the Board that property owners on Colbroth Lake Road have requested that a 35 mph zone be posted from County Line Road going east for one mile. There was a motion to approve by Meixner, seconded by Sanders. Motion carried.

Froemel requested a "No Parking" sign be placed on the south side of Williams Road at the Spring Lake boat landing during the winter months of November through May so as not to obstruct snow plowing.

The Board discussed the Highland Road tree issue regarding Mrs. Anderson. Supervisor Nies recommends the highway crew should remove it, while acknowledging that the power company actually cut and dropped the tree in her yard.

Froemel reported that the culvert on Rainbow Road needs to be replaced by the end of this month. The road needs to be completely closed for the work to be done on August 28th and 29th, 2006. The Highway Department will put up signs designating a detour route from Rohlf Road to Anderson Road. Clerk Henk will publish a public notice with radio stations and in the Sawyer County Record for the week of August 23rd.

Supervisor Nies asked Froemel that the Highway Department powerwash the Town Hall.

Chairperson Sanders reported that Waste Management will be removing the dumpster from the Fire Department and picking it up curbside instead. The Highway Department will be picking up the Town Hall garbage once a week.

Highway Crew Chief Froemel reported that the tractor is not back yet from being repaired.

Treasurer Aderman reported that as of July 31, 2006 the Town had \$516,811.06 in all of their accounts, and that she and the Deputy Clerk had balanced for the month. There was a motion by Nies, seconded by Sanders to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Supervisor Nies reported on the progress of Rich Marcinkowski's lakefront property. The property was transferred to his son, Bruce, and was being cleaned up on the lakefront.

Dawn Henk was appointed as the new Clerk.

Dru Lattin spoke before the Board to request the use of the Town Hall for weekly children's meetings for Children's Christian Ministry. They are a non-profit organization interested in doing vacation bible school activities on Tuesday's from 7 P.M. – 8 P.M. Chairperson Sanders requested a letter further explaining the program and who is involved by name, preferably from a representative minister, outlining the specific details. It will then be discussed again at the September 11th Board Meeting.

Supervisor Nies recommended an inexpensive computer desk be purchased for the election computer. At this time, the storage room will be re-keyed and used instead.

Comprehensive Plan books were ordered. Ten were printed for \$22.00/book from Sheldon Johnson at Northwest Regional Planning. There was a motion by Sanders, seconded by Nies to pay them for printing. Motion carried.

Deputy Clerk Hanus presented the payroll and software issues. There was a motion by Sanders, seconded by Nies for it to be resolved using the Clerk's discretion. Motion carried.

LCO received an extension for the 2002 Smart Growth Plan Grant. There will be a public meeting on August 23rd, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. at the Tribal Office building.

An audit proposal from Mike Hager at Anderson, Hager, and Moe was presented to the Board. An audit is required to comply with the USDA grant application and needs to be done the year the grant money is received. The letter from Hager recommended a 3 year contract period with the following estimated breakdown;

(Year 2006)	\$3,950.00 - \$4,350.00
(Year 2007)	\$4,050.00 - \$4,450.00
(Year 2008)	\$4,100.00 - \$4,500.00

Hager estimated \$5,500.00 - \$6,500 if a one year audit was done instead. Discussion followed. Treasurer Aderman and Supervisor Meixner agree to check into other auditors. There was no need for other bids as per Sanders. Aderman will solicit service agreements with two other firms for similar services based on the USDA grant application.

Two Operator License applications were presented to the Board. There was a motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies to approve licenses for Alice Anderson and Alisa Headley. Motion carried.

There was a discussion regarding the proposed Town Ordinance Road Setbacks in Northwoods Beach. Supervisor Nies presented a sample ordinance to the Board. A public notice to consider the adoption of the ordinance to the code of ordinances will be published in the August 23rd edition of the Sawyer County Record by Clerk Henk. It will be considered at the September 11th Board Meeting.

Chairman Sanders will contact Excel to get power next to the landfill building as previously discussed. Currently, there is only power at the pole next to the street. Supervisor Nies will contact TMJ to make a new sign for the landfill and to get past work completed.

There being no need for a closed session and no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Meixner, seconded by Nies to adjourn at 8:55 P.M. Motion carried.