

The Town of Rushford May Board meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Thomas Egan followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with Thomas Egan, Gerald Schoonover, Kathryn Lewis and Peggy Hendricks present. Also present for all or part of the meeting: 8 additional persons per attendance record on file, though others were present who did not sign in. Patrick Kafer was present minutes after the start of the meeting.

Statement of Public Notice: Notice of the May Board meeting, the Annual meeting, and the Special Meeting of the Board on April 17th was posted at the Town Hall, the Waukau post office, the Town's web site and the corner of K & E in Eureka. In addition, Notice of Application of liquor license, Open Book and Board of Review was published in the Oshkosh Northwestern. Notices were mailed to Town Board members and the Zoning Administrator.

Sheriff's Department representative: Tom Egan inquired about the sign damage on River Road. Someone had cut the Ivy Lane sign and high water sign has been cut off. Tom would like to have this checked into. He also inquired if Officer Kohl knew anything about the flashing light that was stolen on River Road. The Board heard it was in lockup. These are very expensive and he would like to see the person who is responsible pay for it. It was suggested to contact Michelle Krapf or contact the DA's office for a name and case number for further investigation.

Clerks Report & Minutes: *Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Kafer to approve the minutes as presented for the April Town board meeting. Motion carried.*

Treasurers Report was given by Kathryn Lewis. The balance at the end of April was \$205,903.26 in the general account. The balance at the end of April in the tax account was \$513.33. *Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Kafer to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.*

Payment of invoices: Peggy Hendricks approved and submitted to the board the bills for May in the amount of \$20,010.93 from the general account for approval of payment. *Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to pay May, 2014 bills as submitted. Motion carried.*

Public Input: Mr. David Eiler, who is Max Carpenters grandson was present and he presented to the Town a box of pictures, framed original posters of "All Mine to Give" and other framed postcards of the Town of Rushford. The Board thanked Mr. Eiler for his donation.

Communications & Correspondence:

- A letter from Alliant Energy informing the Town that they will be trimming trees in the Township.
- A letter from Public Service Commission of Wisconsin concerning application of Wisconsin Power and Light Company regarding the 2015 test year electric and natural gas rates.
- A G-II prescribed burn plan for the intersection of Liberty School road and Spring Road done by Stantec Consulting Services Inc
- Correspondence from Advanced Disposal stating that a Town of Rushford resident had called in saying that she was very impressed with their driver Tim Switon. He had picked up the recycling bags which had blown in a water filled ditch.

Discussion of Town hall maintenance/needs:

- The Board thanked Patsy Pomplun for all the work she had done cutting back and cleaning the flower beds around the hall for new growth.
- Jim Wesner had replaced the broken tiles in the hall. He will also be putting on wainscotings on the walls. It was decided to be done at this time, for new edging was purchased. If it was done at a later date, the new edging would have to be taken off and new would have to be purchased again.

Officer Kohl came back in the hall, for he had found that on April 12th, a report was called in that the speed limit sign on River Road was painted over. This was passed on to the Highway Shop and no tickets were issued.

Discussion on Town Maintenance: The Board went on road tour with John Groth. The condition of the roads was better than expected. There are a lot of pot holes that will need work, a few culverts, tree trimming and ditch mowing. It was suggested that we put our names on the back of the road signs so if they are taken to another County, they will know where to return them to. Tom will bring this suggestion to John Groth.

Assessors report: Larry Timm: Mr. Timm reported that he had a number of calls and residents at Open Book. Jerry Schoonover asked about reassessment of agriculture land that is covered with crop insurance, but has been taken out of agricultural use by the assessor. Tom Egan inquired about an organic farm that has been assessed as agricultural land for many years but this year, it was taken out of ag use. Some people thought the assessor was changing the zoning. Zoning of land and assessment of land use are two different things. Ellen Newman asked if there was an appeal process. To appeal assessments, people would come to the Board of Review. He bought the assessment roll to the Clerk.

Animal Officer Report: Mr. Mier had mileage for an animal he did not capture.

Old Business: Tom Egan read over letters that were sent out to a few Town residents where the Board observed on Road Tour items that should be brought to their attention. These were sent to Anna Kinslow for cleanup of garbage on the property, Joyce Erickson for cleanup of property and notice of cleaning ditches and possible culvert work for Jerry Zink and Darryl Kallas.

New Business: *Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Kafer to approve Picnic License for the Waukau Communities Youth Activity Center for June 8, 2014. Motion carried.*

Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to approve the culvert permit for 3602 Bell Line, Omro WI. They would like to replace the culvert with a 26' x 15" culvert. Motion carried with the understanding that Pat Kafer will go out to make sure the correct size is placed.

Building Permit Report – Tom Egan:

Farmers Daughter Country Kitchen LLC 7431 Hwy 91
Janet Davis, 6443 Hwy 91, Pickett
Remodel by Fred Laude, Berlin WI
\$4000 April 2, 2014

Amanda & Jason Dodd, 3942 Cty Rd K, Omro 420-2499
Siding done by self
\$4000 April 6, 2014

Brian Poppy, 2868 Morrow Road, Omro, WI 54963
20 x 72 loafing shed and outdoor wood burner built by self
\$7000 April 7, 2014

Jesse Domke, 3036 Quarry Drive, Omro, WI 54963; 420-5204
Windows and Doors by self
\$4000 April 20, 2014

Kim Snow, 7210 Meadow Ridge, Pickett, 470-0771
Detached 24 x 26 garage Built by American Garage Builders, Sun Prairie
\$15,000 May 2, 2014

Teri Wagoner, 3094 Quarry Drive, Eureka, 420-3257
Remodel by Self at 3134 Cty Road E, Eureka, WI
\$7000 May 5, 2014

Dan Fedderly, 8439 Liberty School Road, 379-1621
Built by Gallery Homes, LLC, 5405 Nickels, Rd
\$300,000 May 7, 2014

Fred Hart, 8818 Fairview Road, Omro, 685-5483
New roof - Modern Pole, Ripon
\$9000

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Wayne Resop, 8841 Wisconsin St, Eureka
Pool replacement by Pool Center, Oshkosh, WI
\$10,000

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Tom Egan stated that building will be started in the Blue Belle development. The bank has taken over and reduced the cost. One lot has been sold and another three is in the process. Patsy Pomplun asked if they will have to obey the covenants, restrictions and easements that were set forth in the original subdivision plan. Mr Egan said that they would and it was suggested that a copy of these be sent to the bank. Pat Kafer stated that new owners and the bank should know that the covenants can be enforced and in the future, the cost of the road completion will be assessed to the property owners.

County Report: Tom Egan was elected to the Highway Committee, Health Committee, Facilities and Property Committee and chairman of the Planning & Zoning.

He stated that on the Facilities & Property Committee, it was interesting that on the Winnebago Co jail, all the precast panel joint sealant has to be redone and will cost around \$198,000. The roof replacement program for the Knapp Street Maintenance facility, which consist of Building 2, Building 3, & the Boiler House – which is being used as storage will be \$247,000.

On that airport – a new terminal was discussed. To replace the roof on the existing one is between \$750,000 to \$1,000,000. A new one could be built for that price.

Reports of Attended Meetings:

- Fred Kasten reported on the Winnebago Co Unity Town Association meeting Thursday, April 3 at 6:30 at The Town of Winneconne. Discussion was how to increase income for the DOT for needed work on roads and bridges and how to receive money for the bike & hiking trails.
- Annual Meeting on April 16, 2014 – Dean Kaderabek had a nice presentation, we had a number of guest speakers & there is an Annual report booklet that is in the entry way. A vote was taken to place “No Trailer Parking” on Liberty Street in Eureka. Jay Treleven from Omro-Rushford Fire Department was one of the guest speakers and they have formed a committee to look into the purchase of a new fire truck in 2015.
- Special Meeting of the Board on April 17, 2014 - ***Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Kafer to approve the minutes of the Meeting of the Board on April 17, 2014. Motion carried.***

Upcoming Workshops and Meetings:

- Board of Review on May 23, 2014 from 5 pm – 7 pm

Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to adjourn at 8:00. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Peggy Hendricks, Clerk