

Rushford Town Board Minutes
Wednesday, April 1, 2015

The Town of Rushford April Board meeting was called to order by Chairman Thomas Egan followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with Thomas Egan, Gerald Schoonover, and Kathryn Lewis present. Peggy Hendricks was excused and Pat Kafer was a few minutes late but was present for the duration of the meeting. Also present for all or part of the meeting: 3 additional persons per attendance record on file, though others were present who did not sign in.

Statement of Public Notice: Notice of the April Board meeting and the Road Tour was posted on the Town hall door, the corner of K & E in Eureka and the Waukau Post Office. In addition, notice of Election testing on March 28th was published in the Oshkosh Northwestern. Notices were emailed to Town Board members and the Zoning Administrator.

Clerks Report & Minutes: *Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to approve the minutes as presented for the March 4, 2015 Town board meeting. Motion carried.*

Treasurers Report was given by Kathryn Lewis. The balance at the end of March, 2015 was \$269,139.92. The balance in the tax account was \$121.60 *Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.*

Payment of invoices: Peggy Hendricks approved and submitted to the board the bills for April in the amount of \$15,539.50 from the general account for approval of payment. *Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to pay April 2015 bills from the general account as submitted. Motion carried.*

Public Input: Charles Mier proposed that the Town donate \$100.00 to Traxlers Benefit.

Communications & Correspondence:

- Tom Egan read a letter from Mark Harris stating that the Winnebago Co Industrial Development Board, in partnership with the Towns of Utica, Nepeuskun, Nekimi, Omro, Rushford, Utica and Poygan had awarded grant funding in the amount of \$11,357 to the City of Omro for its economic development activities for 2015.
- Tom read an email from WTA stating that the Unit meeting scheduled for April 2nd will be held on April 23rd in the Town of Clayton. There will be a panel of our legislators present for this meeting.
- Tom Egan read a letter from Michael Schraa regarding the current Wisconsin State Budget proposal concerning the proposal to change property assessments to a County driven program.
- The Town received a letter by Landon LeBeck apologizing for his actions pertaining to the damage done in the Nature Preserve.
- Tom Egan went over a Notice of Cancellation for bond in its entirety for Arlo's Pit effective May 28, 2015.
- Tom Egan read an email from the Celebration Board at the Eureka Methodist Church. They would like to donate a coat rack for the hall as a gift.
- Tom read a letter from Winnebago County Emergency Management. They are sponsoring a Disaster Assessment workshop on Monday, May 11, 2015 – 6 pm to 8:30 pm.

Discussion of Town hall maintenance/needs:

Tom Egan thought the donation of the coat rack was a very nice idea. *Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to accept the gift of the coat rack as long as it fits in the storage room. Motion carried.*

The 4-H had volunteered to plant a couple of planters for the outside of the hall. Patsy Pomplun said that she would look to see what she had before the Town purchases any.

Tom Egan bought up the wainscoting and the trim around the bottom, for it is coming loose and it getting marked up. Tom would like this on the agenda for next month.

Patsy Pomplun and Pat Kafer will talk about getting dirt up at the hall.

Tom Egan said this year something should be done about the parking lot, for it is starting to break apart. This will be part of our road work. Pat Kafer said he got a card from a company in Wisconsin Rapids for estimates on seal coat. Pat Kafer said he would call to see if we could get an estimate.

Discussion on Town Maintenance:

- The Certificate of Liability Insurance from Freund Excavating was received.
- According to Ernest Winters from the Highway Department, there was \$11,238.44 asphalt on Liberty. There is \$22,800 to be spent on Bell School. Once that is spent, we will receive the TRIP money. There will be about \$45,600 needed extra for Bell School Road.
- Road Tour: Pat Kafer said the roads weren't as bad as he thought they might be. A lot of wedging should be done. The road tour was early enough where the work should start earlier. Bell School will be done up to the pit, Liberty Road, wedging and what else is decided. We will get prices on at least the top 5 projects where we did not receive prices last year. It was mentioned that a little more should be put on the edge of the road, for on some roads, it seems thin.
- Tom went through the approved County IoH permits for Buttles Custom Ag Service. These can be modified for the Town Roads that are impacted and for the Town to use. ***Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover To approve the map we received and to accept the IoH permit on roads Stone, Bell Line, 37th Ave and Bell School for Jake Buttles/Buttles Custom Ag LLC, contact Angie Lund, with the understanding that any damage done will be compensated to the Town from the applicant. This will be stated under Section 3, Part C. Motion carried.***

Assessors Report – Larry Timm: Mr. Timm has picked up his reports from the County. A date for Open Book and Board of Review should be set. The Board of Review is tentatively planned for May 22 from 5 – 7 or May 20th depending on the clerk. Open Book will be set for May 6th from 2 pm to 6:30.

Old Business:

- Mr Erdmann could not make the meeting for he is on the road. He did meet with the attorney, Marty Johnson and Tom Egan at his house. Marty considered it a house and only found 4 minor violations. The Town is hoping he will be putting the top part on and will be contacting our attorney.
- Tom read the letter from Attorney Sondalle and Summons & Complaint pertaining Roger Kasuboski. The Summons & Complaint will be filed if it is not already.
- ***Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to hire Royalty Maintenance Service to buff and wax the Town Hall floors for \$569.60.***
- ***Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover that if a new bond is not received by May 28, 2015, the Conditional Use permit for Arlo Pit will be revoked. Kafer rescinded his motion.***

Ellen Newman asked if this was the bonding for the reclamation that is to be done. Tom Egan thought this bonding is for the roads and not for the reclamation, for that is though the State of Wisconsin. Scott Gunkle can be called to check to see exactly what this bonding is for.

Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover that if a new bond is not received by May 1, 2015, Scott Gunkle will be contacted to see if a new one will be issued and for any other necessary information, otherwise the conditional use permit for Arlo Pit will be revoked. Motion carried.

New Business:

- ***Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Kafer to approve the CSM for Paul Timm, 7493 Wayside Drive, Omro, WI – Parcel #022 0508 and 022 050801. Motion carried.***
- ***Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to temporary use Tri-County in Green Lake for any animals that need to be taken to a shelter.***
- ***Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Kafer to donate \$100 to Traxlers Benefit. Motion carried.***
- ***Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to pay \$696 for WTA dues. Motion carried.***

Town & County Zoning – Dan Stokes: Dan did not have any meetings this past month. Tom Egan read part of the letter of the Winnebago County's 10 year update of County comprehensive plan. Daniel Stokes was appointed for Point of Contact for online mapping tool.

Fred Kasten said he would like to tentatively schedule a planning meeting concerning a property on Bell Line Road. An organization is interested in buying the parcel and they would like to have an alcohol/drug rehab center for women and their families. Fred invited them to come to a planning meeting. He does not know if

they have contacted Peggy Hendricks. Fred said this would need a Conditional use permit. If they are serious, a meeting will be scheduled for the planning committee.

Animal Report: Mr Mier returned one dog to its owner.

Building Report – Thomas Egan:

Jeannie Keiler, 8676 Banner Hill Rd
Bathtub Replacement done by Tundra Land Home Improvement in Kaukauna
\$5500 3/20/2015

Joshua Borland, 3053 Union St, Omro, 379-0502
Deck built by self
\$1300 3-22-2015

County Report – Thomas Egan:

- The County received a donation for the K-9 program of \$17,500.
- 3 million, 800 dollars was appropriated for 2015 milling and resurfacing
- \$865,000 was approved for repair of the deck of the court house.
- A Security System will be put up for over 1 million dollars.
- Discussion on the millings was discussed. It would be nice for the Town to get some if it could be purchased very reasonable.

Reports of Attended Meetings:

- Peggy Hendricks went to 3 days of training for SVRS and was certified.
- Election testing of equipment was on March 28th.

Upcoming Meetings:

1. Spring Election April 7th
2. Annual Meeting on April 15th at 7:00.
3. WTA Unit meeting on April 23 at the Town of Clayton.
4. Zoning Meeting on April 29, 2015
5. Winnebago Disaster Assessment workshop on May 11th. Dan Stokes and Jerry Schoonover will attend this.

Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Peggy Hendricks, Clerk