

Rushford Town Board Minutes
Wednesday, October 5, 2016

The Town of Rushford October Board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Jerry Schoonover followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with Thomas Egan being excused, Jerry Schoonover, Pat Kafer, Kathryn Lewis & Peggy Hendricks present. Also present for all or part of the meeting: 5 additional persons per attendance record on file, though others were present who did not sign in.

Statement of Public Notice: Notice of this meeting, possible board quorum for the Winnebago Co Land Conservation meeting, the fire department meeting and Turnout for transportation meeting was posted on the Town hall door, the corner of K & E in Eureka, & the Waukau Post office. Notices were sent to Board members and the Zoning Administrator.

Clerks Report & Minutes: *Motion by Kafer 2nd by Schoonover, to approve the minutes as presented for the September 7, 2016 Town board meeting. Motion carried.*

Treasurers Report was given by Kathryn Lewis. The balance at the end of September was \$158,639.20. The balance in the tax account was \$256.45 *Motion Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.*

Payment of invoices: Hendricks explained the Year to Budget report that was presented. She approved and submitted to the board the bills for October in the amount of \$145,279.67 from the general account for approval of payment. *Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to pay October 2016 bills from the general account. Motion carried.*

Public Input: Robert Wolff expressed concern about a culvert between his house and Dave Johnsons. The County looked at it and it has collapsed. It will need to be replaced. This is a Town culvert that goes under the road. The Board will talk to Friends on replacing the culvert.

Communications & Correspondence: Hendricks read a letter she received from Governor Scott Walker thanking us for sharing the "Just Fix It" resolution.

Discussion of town hall maintenance: Hendricks stated that Hyler came to pump out the septic. Schoonover asked if we heard back about floor maintenance, which we have not. The LP tank is full.

Discussion on Town Maintenance: Hendricks stated that she has heard concerns about the damage done to property by Alliant putting in the natural gas lines. Tom Jackson said that he has been communicating with them and after all the work is done, they will go though to groom & repair the yards and right ways. Trevor Krueger asked if someone could talk to them about parking their equipment in the subdivision, the speed going though the subdivision and to clean up any mess they leave behind. Tom Jackson will talk to them with his concerns. Pat Schoonover commented that when they put gas lines in by Oshkosh, they did a nice job repairing and grooming where the work was done. As far as the Board knows, the County is done paving. Kafer and Schoonover stated that work needs to be done on Edgewater.

New Business: *Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to sign the agreement between the Town of Rushford and Larry Timm to do the Town assessments for 2017. Motion carried.*

Hendricks went though some of the details of the terms for the Town to borrow money for the Blue Belle Subdivision, which will be paid back by the residents in the subdivision. Once all the information is gathered from the Town attorney and the bank, a resolution will be prepared for Town Board approval.

Hendricks read the Resolution to set a hearing to consider discontinuance of a number of streets and alleys in Waukau, Town of Rushford. She also asked for approval to mail the notice to each property owner and ask them to return an admission that they have received the notice. This will eliminate the need for a process server, which would only have to be used if the admission sheet was not returned. Approval was given. Tom Jackson suggested mentioning that a possible assessor's plat will be done by the Town. Kafer did not think this was a good idea to include this in the notice. Pat Schoonover mentioned that he has seen a lot of surveying being done. *Motion by Kafer to approve the resolution to set a hearing date on December 7th at 6:30 pertaining to consider discontinuance of a number of streets and alleys in Waukau. 2nd by Schoonover. Roll call: 2 - aye, 0 - no. Motion carried.*

Upcoming Meetings/workshops: Dates will be determined for Budget workshop and meeting of the Board to take action on resolution pertaining to borrowing money and increasing the levy for road funds.

Winnebago Co Unit meeting on Thursday, October 6th in the Town of Oshkosh at 6:30. Sarah Van Buren of East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission will lead up a discussion on Initiative 41.

Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to adjourn at 7:55. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Peggy Hendricks, Clerk