

Rushford Town Board Minutes  
Wednesday, September 7, 2016

The Town of Rushford September Board meeting was called to order by Chairman Thomas Egan followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with Thomas Egan, Jerry Schoonover, Pat Kafer, Kathryn Lewis & Peggy Hendricks present. Also present for all or part of the meeting: 6 additional persons per attendance record on file, though others were present who did not sign in.

**Statement of Public Notice:** Notice of this meeting, the fire department meeting and the planning committee meeting was posted on the Town hall door, the corner of K & E in Eureka, & the Waukau Post office. In addition, four public hearings were published in the Oshkosh Northwestern. Notices were sent to Board members and the Zoning Administrator.

**Clerks Report & Minutes:** *Motion by Schoonover 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kafer, to approve the minutes as presented for the August 11, 2016 Town board meeting. Pat Schoonover said a correction to the August minutes should be made, for he did not state "false advertising". The clerk said she transcribes minutes and that was the way the tape sounded. Motion carried.*

**Treasurers Report** was given by Kathryn Lewis. The balance at the end of August 2016 was \$270,677.92. The balance in the tax account was \$256.45 *Motion Kafer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schoonover to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.*

**Payment of invoices:** Peggy Hendricks approved and submitted to the board the bills for September in the amount of \$111,963.90 from the general account for approval of payment. *Motion by Kafer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schoonover to pay September 2016 bills from the general account. Motion carried.*

**Public Input:** Natalie Strohmeier, who is running for Register of Deeds for Winnebago County was present to introduce herself. Larry Timm presented the 2016 statement of changes in equalized values by class & item and the 2016 Statement of Real Estate Assessments for Town of Rushford. He also left the 2017 proposed contract for assessor for the Board to vote on in October.

**Communications & Correspondence:** Tom Egan read an email from Nick Achtermeier, Harters Fox Valley Disposal, inquiring about the expiration date of our present trash and recycling contract for the Town of Rushford. Hendricks will reply back. Tom Egan read an email that was from Thomas Ottman regarding the River Road condition. This email was also sent to Jon Groth, Ernest Winters and Brian Trebiatowski. Jon Groth addressed Mr. Ottmans concerns. Carol Salvinski, Winnebago Co Zoning Secretary sent the Town Building Inspector – Tom Egan, a letter explaining that starting now, all erosion control and site maps for permits that the County issues in the Town will be sent to us. We received a permit which was issued to Alliant Energy. Tom Egan received the packet for road ratings – WISLR which is due December 15, 2016.

**Discussion of town hall maintenance:** Maintenance of floor was on the agenda, but the bid for the job did not come in. Tom Egan would like to check bids for LP gas. Hendricks said that the tank is full at this time.

**Discussion on Town Maintenance:** Winnebago County and Friends Excavating are out doing a lot of work at this time. On the River Road, ground asphalt was added to the shoulder. The County suggest the Town discuss putting weight limits on River Road for it will not hold up. *Motion by Kafer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schoonover to put the County's suggested weight limit on River Road. Motion carried.*

**Old Business:** The Waukau road closures are in the attorneys hands for there was a DNR issue with East Street according to Jim Smith. The Conditional use permit for Sonya Bock requesting a permit to run a taxidermy at 7389 Commercial St, Waukau will not be granted by the Town, for she will have to go to the County for the permit.

**Town Zoning report – Tom Jackson:** Tom Jackson reported on the Town Planning Committee meeting which was held on August 31<sup>st</sup> and September 7, 2016. The committee had 3 public hearings. On August 31<sup>st</sup>, they recommended approval to the Town Board for a zoning change for Jeff Schuster. They heard a Conditional Use permit for Melissa Mahlke for approval to construct an accessory building and live in part of it until a permanent home is built. The planning committee recommended approval to the Town Board with the conditions that they are in their home within 3 years of approval. The continuation of public hearing for Sonya Bock was discussed. She had applied for a CUP to operate a taxidermy business. No action will be

taken, for the property is under County zoning. On September 7<sup>th</sup>, the zoning committee had public hearing for a zoning change for Daniel & Jennifer McCollian. The zoning board voted to recommend approval to the Town Board.

### **New Business:**

- **Zoning Change for Jeff Schuster:** Jeff Schuster is requesting to rezone .3 acres of parcel 022 0600 from GA to RR. This .3 acres will be sold and added to parcel 022 060001, Jay Kallas, with a pending CSM. *Motion by Kafer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schoonover to approve the zoning change for Jeff Schuster, parcel # 022 0600, 3290 Quarry Drive, Omro, WI, from GA to RR with a pending CSM to take out .3 acres from the parcel for rezoning. Motion carried 3 – 0.*

*Motion by Kafer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schoonover to approve the CSM for Jeff Schuster, parcel # 022 0600. Motion carried 3 – 0.*

- **Conditional Use permit for Melissa Mahlke:** Melissa Mahlke is requesting to build a pole shed with living quarters until a permanent residence is constructed on parcel # 022 031202, 8834 Edgewater Drive, Omro, WI. They stated they were planning to start the building as soon as the septic is approved and they would like to be in by winter. They figure the permanent structure will take about 3 years. Tom Egan has concerns. *Motion by Kafer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schoonover to approve the Conditional use permit. Motion passed 2 – 1. Tom Egan made an amendment to the motion with the conditions that the house has to be completed and they have to be residing in the permanent residence in 3 years and no one can be living in the pole shed. Amendment 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kafer. Vote: 3 – 0.*
- **Zoning Change for Daniel McCollian & Jennifer Tollard McCollian:** A zoning application was received for 4467 O'Reilly Road, Omro, WI, parcel # 022 02210101. They would like to sell the homestead on 6 acres and then build a new home on the remaining 26.31 acres. There is a pending CSM for the division. The zoning for the 6 acres would change from GA to LER. *Motion by Kafer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schoonover to approve the zoning change from GA to LER on parcel #022 02210101, 4467 O'Reilly Road, Omro. Motion carried 3 – 0. Motion by Kafer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schoonover to approve the CSM for parcel 022 02210101 – Daniel McCollian & Jennifer Tollard McCollian when the original version comes to the Town. Motion carried 3 – 0.*
- **Application for Culvert:** *Motion by Kafer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schoonover to approve a 18" x 40' culvert for Robert Schmitz, 9139 River Road, Berlin, WI to replace an existing culvert at the location. Motion carried 3 – 0.*
- *Motion by Kafer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schoonover to adopt and sign the "Just Fix It Transportation" resolution and to have the clerk send a copy to the WTA, Gov. Walker and state representatives. Motion carried.*

**County Zoning Report:** Dan Stokes reported that they had a County Farmland preservation meeting. Things are being clarified for what they expect.

### **Building report – Tom Egan:**

Roger Kasuboski, 3375 State Road 116, Omro, WI 54963  
Single Family Dwelling with garage  
Built by Roger Kasuboski 022 052801  
\$100,000 08/23/2016

David Thoss, 8021 Cty Rd E, Omro, WI  
Siding & deck by Deck Case Construction, 2772 Elo Rd, Oshkosh  
\$5600 022 0490 09-01-2016

**County Report:** Tom reported that the old Huber building will be coming down. The county does not expect an addition to the jail for some time. Regarding the airport – The two committees who that will be in charge of the airport and the grounds have come to an agreement. From 17.8 million dollars, it is now down to 4.6 million. There are 6 full time employees at the airport. The Sheriff gave a presentation at the County Board. There are some inmates from Brown County. The largest problem is the mental health people. There was over 1500 – 1600 last year. Tom said it was a very nice presentation. Court house security has begun, so you will have to enter from the front. The County Executive has the decision now on the race track. It has not been decided yet on what should be done with Hwy CB and Oakwood. It was recommended that a round about would be the best solution.

**Attended Meetings/workshops:** Tom Egan reported that the Board attended a closed session at the Fire House pertaining the Jacob Case accident on August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Since this was a closed meeting, no other details can be discussed.

**Upcoming Meetings/workshops:**

Winnebago Co Farmland preservation meeting on September 21 or 22<sup>nd</sup> at various locations.

Turnout for Transportation meeting on Thursday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00

WTA Fall Town workshop at Ripon on Tuesday, September 27 at 8:00

WMCA meeting on September 29 – ***Motion by Kafer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schoonover to allow the Clerk to attend if possible. Motion carried.***

***Motion by Kafer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schoonover to adjourn at 8:15. Motion carried.***

Respectfully submitted by Peggy Hendricks, Clerk