

Rushford Town Board Minutes
Tuesday, June 11, 2019

The Town of Rushford June 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, Kathryn Lewis & Peggy Hendricks present. Patrick Kafer was excused. 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, and the zoning committee meeting was posted on the Town hall door, the corner of K&E in Eureka, the Waukau post office and the Towns website. In addition, notification of liquor license application and Notice of June monthly meeting date change was published in the Oshkosh Northwestern.

Clerks Report & Minutes: *Motion by Schoonover 2nd by Egan, to approve the minutes from the May 1, 2019 board meeting. Motion carried.*

Treasurers Report was given by Kathryn Lewis. The balance at the end of May was \$265,781.88. The balance in the tax account was \$1683.08. ***Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to approve the treasurer's report.*** It was asked if the bill from Advance Disposal showed a discount for the week it did not pick up garbage. Hendricks stated there was a discount of \$2509.58. ***Motion carried.***

Payment of invoices: Hendricks approved and submitted to the board the bills for June in the amount of \$37,320.38. ***Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to pay the bills for the month of June. Motion carried.***

Public Input: Gary Schackow, 9265 Stone School Road said he would like to have all town roads open to ATV/UTV routes. Egan explained that there is nothing open over by Waukau and Schachow would like that to be included. He stated that there was supposed to be a map presented to the Town for the route in Waukau that they had not received yet. Mr. Schackow said he would present a map for Waukau. It will be on the July agenda. Egan stated that residents are inquiring where they can get the "We support ATV/UTV routes" signage. Pat Schoonover asked since the garbage was not picked up last week, will the residents get a break on the garbage cost. Hendricks stated there was a discount of \$2509.58 which will lower the amount that residents will have on their tax bill next year since the assessment is figured out from the previous year. There have been a number of complaints about garbage pickup lately in the Town.

Communication & Correspondence: Hendricks read an email from Debra Bartel pertaining to the property next to her that has gone up for foreclosure. The lawn has not been mowed yet this year. Egan said we could have someone go out and cut it. It was suggested to contact the bank that owes them and inform them that they need to mow and clean up the property.

Hendricks mentioned that the Town was awarded \$2,878.26 for recycling. The average tonnage per capita in the US is 82.4#/person. The Town of Rushford averages 116.41#/person. Tom Egan said he heard that Advance Disposal was sold out. The Town will be taking garbage/recycling pickup bids this year for 2020.

New Business- ***Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to approve the CSM for Donald & Sharon Wagner, parcels 022 079104, 022 1790, 022 179001, 022 1793, 022 0792.*** Basically, he is splitting the tillable land from the quarry and marsh. ***Motion carried.***

Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to approve the CSM for Jay Sandstrom, parcels 022 1406 and 022 1405. Jay owns the north lot and his son owns the vacant south lot. They are going to sell the south lot and the pond area. ***Motion carried.***

Discussion on Lost Lane: Jim Smith from Martenson & Eisele, Inc presented a site map on Lost Lane for a possible turn around for emergency vehicles, buses and garbage pickup. The site map showed where a cul-de-sac could go. The Town would have to check for possible wetlands, underground utilities and overhead electric conflict if the Town decided to purchase the property from Nancy Bongert. The Town would need about 1/3 of an acre. It was asked what the standard right away would be, which is 15'. The 60' diameter

circle includes the right away. Egan has called Bongerts but has not heard back from them at this time. It was suggested to look into grants for Townships purchasing land.

Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to approve and sign a resolution requesting Winnebago Co approval of certain County Roads for atv/utv routes. This request includes any bridges or Co highways where the speed limit is 35 mph or under, CTY Hwy E from Fairview road to the River Road and CTY Hwy K from Eureka to Waukau within the Town of Rushford. Dan Stokes voiced his concern with atv/utv being on a hwy at 55 mph and speed in general. Egan agrees, but he did mention the same concern is with farm vehicles. He feels this is good for Town tourism. Pat Schoonover asked if this was approved, could the Town get out of the routes if something happened, which is already written into our ordinance. ***Motion carried with 2 ayes, 0 nays.*** Tom Egan will present this to the Highway department and make sure it is on the County Board agenda.

Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to apply for natural gas service from Wisconsin Power & Light with 60 equal payments of \$37.75 until the \$2,265.20 is paid for installation. According to the estimates, the Town should save \$1,335/year in fuel cost. The charge for trenching over 60' will be an additional \$760. ***Motion carried.***

The Ripon Truck ditch mowing contract for 2019 was presented. Jim Moore stated that he has property in another Township and the Town of Utica rents a chopper from Wire Equipment. They needed to rent a year ahead of time, for they are in demand. The cost for the Town to use this was \$8000 where the bid from Ripon Truck was almost \$16,000 and the County estimate was almost \$30,000. The County estimated included the equipment to chop trees. It was suggested to look into renting a chopper for next year, for it would save the Town some money. Egan compared the estimate to 2018 contract and the rates are the same. ***Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to sign and approve the Ripon Truck ditch mowing contract for 2019. Motion carried.***

Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to approve license to deal in intoxicating liquor and fermented malt beverages from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019 pending payment to: Ron & Marilyn Fink for Trail in, Janet Davis for Farmers Daughter Country Kitchen, Jerome Olklewicz for Bill & Stels, Lindsey Baauw for Starlight Bar and Robert Hessenius for Eureka Landings. Motion carried.

Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to approve winery license and Class B Beer for July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 pending payment for Shane & Laurel Coombs for Rushford Meadery & Winery. Motion carried.

Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to approve Flying Mane picnic license of June 15 & 16, July 13 & 14, August 24 & 25th. Motion carried.

Discussion on Town hall maintenance: The Board commented on the work done with the flowers, mulch and weed pulling around the hall. It looks very nice. The septic system was mentioned for last week the restrooms were out of order during a large hall rental. The septic was just pumped two months ago and this situation should not have happened. Hyler came out right away to pump the system and check the pump. The alarm has not been going off when this trouble happens. Kafer thought the pump was not working.

Discussion on Town Maintenance: The Town just got the information from the County from the road tour. A meeting will have to be scheduled as soon as possible to discuss the roads and contractors for this year. The County will start with chip sealing and then be back later for other work along with Friends.

Town Zoning/County Zoning Report: Tom Jackson stated they had a zoning committee meeting on May 29th. Appointment of committee members, chair, vice chair and recording secretary were done. Dean Kaderabek presented the rewrite update for the Towns ordinances. There was discussion on storage/shipping containers, unlicensed vehicles, soft sided structures, semi-trailers in HDR & RR, properties located at Hwy 116, Wayside Drive and Liberty School Road, and definitions in the ordinances. Dean Kaderabek will continue to work on the amendments.

Building Permits:

Dan Sawyer, 8511 Edewater Ridge, Omro, Garage built by Steve Obydine, Poy Sippi
22 x 24 pole building \$15,000

Charlie Knigge, 4577 Poygan Ave
96 x 54 pole barn built by Kettlewell & Forest \$140,000

Richard Bond, 8688 Cty Rd K, Omro
30 x 51 steel siding concrete floor garage built by Novitski Custom Homes, Fond du Lac \$50,000

Scott & Amy Heinzelman, 8015 Broadway Rd, Omro
40 x 40 stick garage with concrete, Built by self \$15,000

Michael & Dorothy Widder, 2931 State Road 116, Omro
Parcel 022 055701, Repair and reconstruct Outdoor deck by Bleeker & Sons Construction, Redgranite, WI \$6225

Jeff & Kim Prile, 2875 St Rd 116, Omro, WI, Siding windows, door and 16 x 18 room addition \$25,000

Bruk Thomsen, 5032 Fairy Chas Rd, West Bend, WI for 8064 Island Ave, Omro, WI
Remodel of pole bldg. plus 100 sq ft max garden shed, Built by self \$20,000

Rebecca Lehdert, 4315 Eureka Rd, Omro, WI
60x80 wood frame, 14' clear span with 4/12 trusses, brown sheet metal with side sky clear panels, 1 walk thru door. 2-12' bay slider doors, Built by Settlers Construction, N9627 Kiefer Rd, Dalton \$50,000

Curt Hintz, 25x8 Screened in porch \$5000

Upcoming Meetings:

WTA Winnebago Co Unit picnic on July 11th at Mahler Park in the Town of Neenah at 6 pm

Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to adjourn at 8:10. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Peggy Hendricks
