

Rushford Town Board Minutes
Wednesday, June 3, 2020

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 arrived at 7:03. Also present for all or part of the meeting: 7 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 continuance of open book was posted on the Town hall door, the corner of K&E in Eureka, the Waukau post office and the Towns website. In addition, adjournment of Board of Review and application of liquor licenses were published in the Oshkosh Northwestern.

Clerks Report & Minutes: *Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan, to approve the minutes from the May 6, 2020 board meeting. Motion carried.*

Treasurers Report was given by Kathryn Lewis. The balance for the general account at the end of May was \$206,144.57 The balance in the tax account was \$1956.32. *Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.*

Payment of invoices: Hendricks approved and submitted to the board the bills for June in the amount of \$32,847.66. *Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoover to pay the bills for the month of June. Motion carried.*

Public Input: Tom Jackson said the last couple days there have been quad trucks hauling from the pit to Borth. He was wondering if Friends would look at the potholes. Jerry Schoonover will talk to them.

Communication & Correspondence: Hendricks read the letter from the DNR announcing the Town of Rushford received \$2878.34 recycling grant award. A letter was received from Dempsey Law informing the Town that there was a termination of relationship between Peter Culp and Dempsey Law Firm. Tom Egan went through an email from Rush Lake Watershed Restoration. It amounts to the money that the Town of Rushford donated to them for the grant for the state will be returned. The State said they would approve the grant, but it must be used the way the DNR would like to see it used. The RLWRIL consulted an attorney and he advised that the clause was board and didn't recommend signing it. The insurance cost was prohibitively high. So, once it is closed out, the Township will refund any unspent funds.

Hendricks received a unanimous letter on 6/1/2020 stating that a fence was built at 8809 Ann Street. The person feels it is in the roadway and that it blocks the view 2 ways so people cannot see if traffic is coming. Tom Egan said a building permit was not requested. Tom also said that if a person can not write their name on a letter to the Town, the letter is not recognized.

Hendricks received a letter from Wi Dept of Safety & Professional Services stating that the Town had met all the requirements under the provisions of Wisconsin Administrative Code to exercise jurisdiction over the inspection of electrical wiring installations at farms, public buildings, places of employment, camp grounds, etc

Hendricks said she did file 2 claims with the Towns insurance company for the boiler repair and water damage. Egan called Rural Insurance and told them that because they were not on the agenda last month and no one else got a chance to bid, that we would not change insurance companies this year but will take bids next year.

Town Zoning Report: Tom Jackson said he has gotten a number of calls on possible zoning changes. He would also like to get in contact with the Town Attorney to go over possible changes and rewrite of the Towns ordinances. Tom Egan said he has gotten a few calls also on driveways, swimming pools and houses being sold. A permit is needed for a permanent swimming pool if it is over a certain amount. Tom Jackson stated the US Cellular will be doing up dates on their tower. The Conditional use permit they received stated they could have up to 12 antennas. They have 9 at this time and will be adding 3 more.

Old Business: Extra tofers for residents was tabled from last month. Hendricks has not received any new information. Egan thought the understanding was that they would wait to see total tonnage for the year before making a decision. Kathryn said she talked to someone from Advance and if someone wanted to get another tote, they would have to get a separate account and pay. Jackson said that was not correct. He called and said the Town pays for it and there is no way they could legally charge for pickup since the Town pays for it. The choice would be if a person would lease a dumpster or the Township get a dumpster that residents can use. Egan called Advance, but his call has not been returned as yet. Egan said we would hold off until we know for sure and then go from there.

Egan stated that he has received complaints of people doing building without a building permit. There have been complaints on Shawn Finks siding, Scott Larsen and a remodeling job on Old E. Tom Egan will stop to see Scott Larsen. Egan asked the clerk if she would send letters to these people. Mark Krings will get the clerk a contact number for the home on Old E.

New Business:

***Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to approve the Class B Beer and Liquor License upon payment to:
Ron & Marilyn Fink for Trail Inn
Raymond & Renee Smith for Shamrock Pub & Grill
Jerome Olkiewicz for Bill & Stels
Robert Hessenius for Eureka Landings
Lindsey Blaauw for Starlight Inn Bar
Motion carried.***

***Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Kafer for Approval of Class B Wine & Class B Beer license for:
Shane & Laurel Coombs for Rushford Meadery & Winery LLC
Motion carried.***

***Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Kafer for Approval of picnic license for 2020:
Flying Mane Club, Waukau WI
Waukau Community Center Motion carried.***

Motion by Schoonover, 2nd by Egan to approve the CSM for Don Malson, 2520 Cty Rd E, Berlin WI for parcel 022 073601 & 022 0736. Motion carried with Kafer abstaining. 2-aye, 1 abstain.

Discussion on Hall Maintenance: The wind did extensive damage to the two large pine trees in front of the Town hall. Two other trees on the property seem to have died. They should be replaced.

Egan asked if we heard anything back from Superior on doing the parking lot. Hendricks mailed the contract right back after the last meeting.

Discussion on Town Maintenance: A proposal was sent from Fahrner Asphalt Sealers. Egan said we should hold off and see what the County gets done first since they have already started. There are 2 collapsed culvert on Broadway. Friends will get that done right away. Egan told Engstrom he would have to remove the pad they put in the road right away for car parking. They had filled in the ditch on Broadway.

Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to approve the 2020/2021 mowing season from Ripon Truck. Motion carried.

Tom Jackson said there is a farmer who purchased a brushing machine that might do work for the Town. Jackson will get the contact information.

Building permits – Tom Egan:

Jeffrey Doro, 5996 State Rd 21 for property on Lot 4 at Liberty School Road

Pole barn – 40' x 56'

Built by self

Parcel # 022 0033 04

\$21,000

5-7-2020

Albright Bros, 3711 N Cty Rd K, Omro for
Grain bins and dryer on 8795 State Rd 21, Omro, WI built by Digman Construction Co. Platteville, WI
77,940 bu bin – 48 x 18, hopper bin 18 x 8, Dryer – E600 on parcel #022 019104
\$407,000 5-12-20

Fred Muller, 8201 Edgewater Ridge, Omro for
Bathtub and surround being replaced by a walkin shower and surround
Done by Tundraland Home Improvement, Kaukauna
\$9500 5-14-2020

William Woolman, 2858 Lost Lane
Concrete driveway & sidewalk 2500 sq ft
Done by Dansis Flatwork, Neenah
\$11,000 5-16-20

Bonnie Barkow, 3535 N Cty Rd K, Omro
Bathtub and surround being replaced by walkin shower and surround
Done by Tundraland, Kaukauna, WI
\$6,450 5-18-20

Matt Meyer, 3268 Cty Rd E, Omro, WI
6 x 33 addition and roof repair by self
\$5,000 5-27-2020

Adam Hein N 7927 Cty Rd K, Omro, WI
Addition to garage by Dean Strelbelinski, Berlin, WI
3-side open addition to garage, asphalt roof, concrete floor, brick, outdoor kitchen, 28 x 21 open on 3 sides.
Parcel #022 0784
\$20,000 5-28-2020

Rick Malnory, 8096 Channel Ln, Omro
Siding and decks front and back built by Malnory Construction, 441 Waukau Rd
\$13,000 5-27-20

County Report: Tom Egan reported the County has been shut down basically because of stay at home order.
There have not been any new committees picked until possibility June. They are still having virtual meetings.

Upcoming Meetings:

Open Book on June 4th from 2pm – 4 pm
Board of Review on June 26th from 5pm – 7pm
Emergency Operation Assessment from Winnebago Co Sheriff office on June 16 at 9 am

Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to adjourn the meeting at 7:45. Motion carried.
Respectfully submitted by Peggy Hendricks, Clerk
