

August 8, 2012

Regular monthly town board meeting as posted at Mike's Service, Bob's Northern Lights and the town hall and advertised in the Antigo Daily Journal, was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Chairman Casper Buettner. Supervisor Susan Hawley, along with Treasurer Linda Frank and Mary Lee Heise, clerk were also present. Supervisor Bill Majest was absent. Also attending the meeting was David Gerrits and Marie Graupner.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all those present.

The agenda was approved upon motion by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Chairman Buettner, motion carried.

Minutes of the July meeting were approved upon motion by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Chairman Buettner, motion carried.

The treasurer's report was read by Linda Frank. The CD held at Baraboo National Bank in Elcho is only receiving .07% interest which is very poor. She discussed with the board as to whether or not we should move the money to CoVantage Credit Union. Supervisor Hawley made the motion to move the money to CoVantage Credit Union, seconded by Chairman Buettner, motion carried.

Non-Board Member Business: David Gerrits, who resides on VanAlstine Road, came before the board concerned about the large amount of poison ivy on VanAlstine Road. Most of the poison ivy is on land owned by the DNR and consists of 1 ½ miles within the right-of-way. Mr. Gerrits is concerned, especially with the triathlon coming up. He doesn't want the runners to be affected by this. Marie Graupner from the county land conservation office is present at this meeting on another matter, but mentioned that the DNR has exempted themselves from taking care of weeds on their property. Discussion followed on having the poison ivy sprayed. Mrs. Graupner stated that, depending on the chemical used, the person needs to be certified to use it. Question as to whether or not we have to have a professional do the spraying or can we do it ourselves. Mrs. Graupner stated that she would look up information for Poison Ivy along with the best time to spray.

New Business: Marie Graupner came before the board representing the county Land Conservation office. The National Forest Service has approached the counties in the area to form a cooperative weed management area. It will be called Timberland Invasive Partnership. The purpose is to work with the forest services and Langlade County wants to know if the Town of Wolf River wants to partner up with this. People would get together to find out about ...poison ivy, for example. No money is due for this. We will be able to apply for grant dollars. They will have a fiscal agent to handle all money. The fiscal agent is Resource Conservation and Development or RCD. Discussion on how to get grant. If partnership is in place, grants can be applied for. This matter will be on the September agenda. The Memorandum of Understanding, if passed, will then be signed. The town will then be part of the Timberland Invasive Partnership. Mrs. Graupner also discussed the toxic waste pickup scheduled for August 17th. She also asked if the town would consider doing an electronic collection in the spring. There would be no cost to the town or townspeople. The town will take this into consideration.

General Building and Plant – The hall has been cleaned by Jayne McCarthy and Patty Wahleithner. Jayne pointed out that some of the windows are in bad shape. Need to get prices for windows and installation. The type of windows needed is thermo pane windows with screens. Businesses that sell windows were discussed like: Menards, Kramer’s Building Supplies and Wilhelm Lumber. Prices may range from \$139 to \$209 per window. We have \$4300 left in the 2012 budget for General Building and Plant. \$2400 is an estimated cost for the windows alone. A motion was made by Supervisor Hawley to get prices to purchase and install 6 windows in the town hall. The motion was seconded by Chairman Buettner, motion carried.

Highway – T.R.I.P. project on Sawyer Lake Road. Four inches of gravel has been put onto Sawyer Lake Road and the road has been milled and ground. Extra gravel has been put on to use for shouldering. The gravel would have cost the town \$34,000, but, after contacting the Federal Forest Service, the town received the gravel for free from its pit, we just have to pay to have it hauled. Paving will be done around the middle of August. Discussion on Darinski and Fish Hatchery Road. These roads may be graveled and left just gravel.

Rescue Squad – meeting to be held on August 13th.

Recycling Center – Nothing new to report. On November 1st the cleanup dumpsters will be removed.

Cemetery – Rick Walters has reported a bee problem and has had to purchase spray to combat them. Some spraying is not helping.

Correspondence – A paper was read from the county concerning our current alarm system. The paper will be completed and returned. A letter was received from Wisconsin Public Service concerning energy savings. After discussion it was decided that the clerk would contact them about having an energy assessment done. A letter was received from the IRS concerning, according to their records, tax that is still due.

Other discussion: The board brought up the question of the current status of the new White Lake Clinic. The town has not received an update on this for quite some time. The clerk will contact Dave Schneider from Langlade Memorial Hospital to see what the status is. Discussion also came up concerning the old cheese factory which has been tore down and now the debris just sits in a pile. The clerk will contact the Langlade County zoning office to see what can be done.

Bills were approved for payment upon motion by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Chairman Buettner, motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned upon motion by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Chairman Buettner, motion carried.