

January 13, 2016

Monthly town board meeting as posted at Mikes Service, Bob's Northern Lights and the town hall and notice having been published in the Antigo Daily Journal was called to order at 6:30 pm by Chairman Casper Buettner also present were Supervisors Susan Hawley and Jim Tilkens, Clerk Mary Lee Heise, Mike and Sharon Steckbauer, Jim Eisenman and Mikki Valona, Art and Brenda Unger and Andy Kostelny.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all those present.

Agenda approved by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Supervisor Tilkens, motion carried.

Minutes approved by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Supervisor Tilkens, motion carried.

The treasurer's report was read by Mary Lee Heise –discussion followed. The report was thereafter approved upon motion by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Supervisor Tilkens, motion carried.

New Business:

Jim Eisenman and Mikki Valona came before the board requesting a zoning change for property they own on Highway 64. It is a 2 acre parcel zoned residential, and they would like the zoning changed to commercial. They are requesting this change in order to build a 10 x 20 storage unit. There was a discussion on location of unit on the property and building materials. After all questions were answered, Supervisor Hawley made the motion to approve the zoning change from residential to commercial. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Tilkens, motion carried.

Andy Kostelney, representing the area ATV club, came before the board concerning the desire to link trails in the area for ATV use and the need to cross the Wolf River at Langlade. A recreation bridge was going to be built and was approved by the DNR, but now there is no funding. Discussion followed on Legislative Act 316 which gives the local authority permission to allow the ATVs to cross the bridge if there is a need. The Department of Transportation is involved with this and works with the community. Our current bridge will not support an attached recreation bridge. The DOT likes the option of a new bridge being built with an attachment and the DNR wants the process to move on. The main objective is to protect the snowmobile trails and correct ATV accesses. An application to use the existing bridge was presented for board approval. The application uses Act 316. Andy also presented a map showing current ATV and snowmobile routes. Discussion followed on easements that were collected from property owners. The ATV club will pay for grubbing and stumping as needed. The ATV club needs approval of the Town to cross the Wolf River Bridge along with the completing of the application and submitting it to the State. A motion was made to approve the use of the bridge on highway 64 bridge over the Wolf River for a recreational trail. The motion was made by Supervisor Tilkens and seconded by Supervisor Hawley, motion carried. Andy will get together with the town clerk to complete the application.

Joint Powers Agreement – The town received the annual Joint Powers Agreement regarding the 911 system and emergency vehicles. The agreement was approved upon motion by Supervisor Hawley and

seconded by Supervisor Tilkens, motion carried. The agreement will be signed and returned to the county.

General Building and Plant – Nothing new to report.

Highway – Plowing, salting and sanding is being done as needed. There have been no breakdowns.

Fire Department – The appreciation dinner for the department will be held on January 21st at 9 Mile All Sport resort.

Rescue Squad – nothing new to report. Supervisor Hawley stated that the amount of paperwork required of the EMTs is making it hard to keep and recruit new EMTs.

Recycling Center – Everything running smoothly.

Cemetery - All is quiet.

Correspondence reviewed: Letter from the DOT regarding the Implements of Husbandry ordinance from the Town that was filed with the State. Everything has been filed correctly. The January issue of the Wisconsin Towns Association has been received. Discussion on article “Temporary Class “B” licenses for picnics, festivals or fundraisers and their issuance. The clerk will review this. Letter received from Marco, who now services our copier, requesting feedback on their customer service. Interest statement from IRS reviewed. 2% fire dues self-certification has been completed by both the clerk and fire chief, and the printouts were reviewed. Letter from the DOT regarding the final calculation of 2016 highway aids, which are \$165,832.62. Bellin Health sent a letter stating that no one was selected for random drug testing. The University of Wisconsin Survey Center sent a letter regarding tobacco license information which must be submitted.

Art and Brenda Unger brought up discussion on the Husbandry ordinance and the weight limit signs.

Bills submitted for payment were approved upon motion by Supervisor Hawley and seconded by Supervisor Tilkens, motion carried.

Motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Tilkens and seconded by Supervisor Hawley, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 P.M.