

Town of Lakeside Board Meeting

August 12, 2009

- Meeting called to order by Chairman Tom Johnson at 7:32 p.m.

Tom requested that for future meetings, a copy of the agenda be placed at each table to assist in helping residents follow the agenda, and provide for addressing topics of discussion.

- Minutes of July 9, 2009 read. Corrections to read: discussed possible sale of culvert on 22 Road. Correction to read: Jeremy Winans needed to leave prior to discussion of fencing.

Minutes of July 13, 2009 read.

A motion to approve minutes with corrections as stated. Motion-Scott, Second-Paul, Carried  
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- Fire Department/First Responder – there were no calls this month. Aaron reported that they are working on an update for the Standard Operating Guidelines. Work is being done on the air compressor. Department has one new member. Follow-up has been done at the Winkles and the hazardous materials are properly stored in a separate building with appropriate markings.

- Treasurer report – Motion to approve as presented. Motion-Scott, Second-Tom, Carried

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- Bills – Motion to approve payment as presented. Motion-Tom, Second-Scott, Carried 754
  
- Building permits – Current items included: John M. Erickson – Garage, and Craig Johnson – Privy. As a matter of information, Tom mentioned that the home on Amnicon Road is completing the paperwork at this point. This residence had begun as a lesser permit and needs to be upgraded to residence/seasonal dwelling and needs proper permits and inspections.
  
- Kay Johnson – She had sent a letter with updates of happenings in the county.
  
- Collection Site – Tom has draft of easement. The legal description was in error. We will need to correct this prior to issuing the easement. Bill Anderson could help with an accurate description.
  
- Recycle Grant – Continue
  
- NIMS – Continue
  
- Lawn mower – remove from agenda – to be discussed at budget meeting.
  
- Audit – B & B called with a question which Kathy answered. The books are in good order thus far.
  
- Fire extinguishers – continue

· Sleepy Valley Loop Bridge – At the meeting with Ayers, there were five options presented:

- o Replacement with approximate town cost of \$43,000
- o Removal with approximate town cost of \$50,000
- o Rehab for vehicles which questioned life expectancy and risk at approximately \$290,000
- o Rehab for pedestrians only at approximate town cost of \$40 to 50,000
- o Replacement with offset

· Since the options vary and the cost is extensive it is recommended that a town meeting be called for resident input. Dave Pantzlaff could come to a meeting in September or October. Tom will check into dates and call a special meeting to discuss the bridge options. Ted also questioned if the bridge is worth keeping. This is an option which needs to be addressed at a town meeting.

· Public records – Tom mentioned that we need to be careful regarding any/all town business since this is considered public record. E-mail is now an issue since it is considered public record also.

· Fence by Winans/Schiff – Tom explained the matter to date. This is technically an issue between neighbors and not a town matter. Tom read a letter he had sent to both parties. He also read portions of the letter received from Jamie. Tom mentioned that he probably should have signed the letter personally and not as chairman; Tom apologized for this. During the following discussion it was noted that the Schiffs are monitoring and repairing fences in a responsible manner. We were all reminded that we do live in a rural area and animals will break a fence and need to be retrieved. This has been an issue for too long a time and is now to be

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considered solved. Tom submitted copies of all correspondence he has received which will be placed into the file. This note to be placed in the current minutes to state: correction should be made to any prior minutes which mentioned the wandering of horses – horses were never part of a problem. Also, the animals were that regularly responsible for fence damage have been restrained or removed from the property. Tom again apologized for any misunderstandings and was pleased with the measures taken to insure good neighbor relations from this time forward. Remove this item from the agenda.

- Town Board Education - Tom reminded board that it is important to attend classes available as training to help with conducting government business.

- Vacate Road – Tom drove the Walsh Road area in question and it appears to be .3 mile. There is the need to identify the exact portion of the road and the exact mileage to allow proper room for potential bus turn around and snow vehicle operation. To continue with the paperwork on this project.

- Land use report – Committee has a complete report. There are five copies which will have comments (from town meeting) attached in designated section of report. Ted will submit the completed report in September. Town Board will make the appropriate resolution at the September Board Meeting.

- Question from floor – A 'No Trespassing' sign has been placed on the beach at the mouth of Middle River with Town of Lakeside as the originator. The Town has not placed that sign. Tom will talk with the property owner and remove the sign on Friday.

- PASER – Remove from agenda. (The electronic update still needs to be submitted.)

- Centurytel – Tom has again called and Centurytel considers this a dead issue. Remove from agenda. As a note: tax is no longer being added to the monthly bill.

- CEP – This is also a dead issue. It has been assessed that only low income qualify for this program and the current employees in question do not qualify. It has been noted that both

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Jack and Eric have done a wonderful job this summer with the variety of jobs presented. The old building has been painted and repaired. They have also been active at the collection site and worked at cutting grass (at the garage and the cemetery), trimming, painting the floor, and working at various jobs as needed. Thank you to both young men. Remove CEP item from agenda.

- Picnic – Reviewed list of duties and supplies. Added names and jobs as necessary. Tom will have Sue call Kathy concerning prizes for kids. Names for people to make bars and potato salads were secured. Tent has been confirmed. There is an assortment of games for kids to play. Bob will check to be sure horseshoes are at the garage. All who are able to help with set up are to be at the hall by 9:30 on Saturday. Tom will confirm grill. Mary will bring grill also. Issued a check to Kathy for payment of corn and apples.
  
- Estimated equipment charges – Paul mentioned that the information from county is available on the Web.
  
- Town Web page – this is not an official website yet. Robin is helping various people access and use the site in anticipation of adopting this for the town.
  
- Above ground gas tank – the price for fitting the tank is approximately \$4700. There is continued discussion concerning installation or sale.
  
- Culvert on 22 Road – We need to decide if we will keep this culvert or sell it. Put on the agenda for the Annual Meeting. Remove from monthly agenda.
  
- Election returns – watch for training session and additional paperwork in the future. Remove from agenda.
  
- Let Bids for Propane – To send letters to propane companies from prior years and any others listed in yellow pages. To open bids at the September 9, 2009 Board Meeting.

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- Bernadette Blakeley - She reported that the Eco Mania Club was to have the first meeting this evening, however, no one attended. She will talk with folk at the picnic to encourage kids to come to the club.

- Bernadette Blakeley also presented a large plat map of the town as a donation to the town. Thank you to Bernadette.

- It was noted that Elmer Colby passed away. As a town we will send a \$40 gift in his honor to the Old Brule Heritage Society, Inc. We will also send a card to the Family of Elmer Colby, c/o Lenroot Funeral Home. Motion was made by Scott, Second-Tom, Carried-920 Authorized Kathy to write check. Pearl to mail cards.

- Ten mentioned that he had 4-wheeled to the end of Poplar River Road and noticed that the private property grass was cut. This was done privately and not as a town.

- Questioned if the town could regulate the speed limit on 22 Road. The lower speed limit sign has disappeared so Bob will replace the sign. Discussed if speed bumps could be installed. This is not an option. The accepted speed for all town roads is 55 mph unless otherwise posted. To post a lower speed requires the means to enforce the posting. As a town we do not have a constable to enforce this. Town can put "SLOW" signs on the road. Tom will talk with Amnicon and the County concerning speeds on that road.

- Request was made to reimburse for expenses for the printing of the Comprehensive Town Plan. Checks were issued for reimbursement. Motion – Tom, Second – Paul Carried 935

- Motion to adjourn. Motion-Scott, Second-Paul, Carried 935. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted, Pearl Swanstrom, Clerk

cc: Tom, Scott, Paul, Kathy, FD, Book

To be approved at September Board Meeting