

**Agenda:**

1. Meeting: Called to order by Chairman Jon Winter at 6:30 pm.
2. Roll Call: Present:, Supervisor Scott Luostari, Mark Saari, Supervisor Mary Peterson, Ted Helin, Chairman Jon Winter, Jane Auklam, Miina Helske, Treasurer Tracy Ruppe, and Clerk Ruth Ann Schnepfer.
3. County Supervisor: Scott-July was slow. Land Development 25<sup>th</sup>-new trail behind the Humane Society and running to WI point, this will be for pedestrian traffic to make a safer path for travel to the Point. Cost to be around \$100,000(including culverts and small bridges) to be split between the county and city. The County commission has given permission to tie into the existing trail. Admin meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, fixing jail elevator, Parkland tower is complete. Admin committee created a resolution to oppose the prevailing wage law, still needs to be voted on by County Board. Zoning on the 9<sup>th</sup>. Sales tax revenues down again this year, the County will have a tough time with the budget. Scott's contact info is on the Douglas County website.
4. Town board reports: the board needs to look into the insulation upstairs, Scott will check.
5. Approval of minutes: Scott motioned to approve the July 11 minutes, Mary seconded, motion carried 6:36 pm.
6. Treasurer report: Tracy presented, Scott made a motion to accept the treasures report as presented, Mary seconded, carried 6:38 pm. The Board also questioned the status of the FEMA reimbursements, Tracy reported nothing has been received at this point.
7. Confirmation of July revenues and expenses: Scott made a motion to approve the July checks 21468 - 21498 + EFT's, Mary seconded, motion carried 6:39 pm.
8. Current bills for payment. Checks 21500-21525 presented for payment approval, Mary motioned to accept, Scott seconded, motion carried 6:40 pm.
9. Correspondence
  - a) None

**Department and Committee Reports**

10. Fire department: Tracy-1 medical call. The FD truck is painted. The FD door needs to be looked at as it is difficult to open. Mark will contact Sell hardware and have them come out to see if they can fix it. They also have problems with the door shifting in the winter; the Town hall door has the same issue.
11. Town Employees/Roads: Mark-finished with the brushing. The company replacing the SVL Bridge says they cannot put down any gravel as it is a federally funded job and fixing their damage supposedly is not included. The Town may have to look into possibly changing that road to a totally graveled road in the future. Bridge should be done on Wednesday. People dumping garbage on the roads again, a couch was dumped on SVL and a freezer was dumped on Middle River road. Moonshine needs gravel; the grader blew 2 hydraulic lines while they were working on it. The larger rock is being spread on Camp Amnicon Road, all the roads are starting to look better. SVL possibly needs some ditching and gravel, possibly will start this year and complete next year. Dump attendant seems to be at the site and then gone again, possibly lunch? Scott had a conversation with him advising he needs to be more visible.
12. Building permits and zoning issues:
  - 2-driveways  
Sudnicka-Peterson Road-for now he just wants to put a camper there and park his cars off of the road. Board approved with the condition that the permit is just for the aforementioned and not for the mobile home listed on the permit, Scott motioned, Mary Seconded, carried 7:04 pm.  
Question was raised as to whether the board actually looks at these locations before approving the permit. There are zoning rules that regulate the setbacks and distances from lay lines. Town interest stops at access to the road.  
Olson-Camp Amnicon road, closest Fire Number is 24105, area is flagged. Board did not get to inspect, moved to September meeting.

Searle -driveway issue was revisited. The residents want to know how a road can be placed when the land falls away from the road. Other residents are also worried that the driveway will cause other parts of the connecting road to wash away, leaving residents stranded in the spring and during heavy rains. The owners have access to the property from another access point. The road is starting to fail rounding the corner, will have to be looked into. There should be limits to what can be done if it is going to adversely affect the adjoining properties.

#### Public comment:

Public may comment on agenda items or items that may be added for future town board meeting. The comment for each speaker will be limited to (2) minutes or longer at board discretion. Personal attacks are unacceptable and will be handled appropriately.

Industrial Hemp-possibly misunderstood. Bill #147, possible additional agricultural benefits. Is the Town willing to approach the legislatures and provide support? This would be a good subject for a WTA meeting. Jane Auklam from the Agricultural office happened to be at this meeting, she advised maybe the reason the bill was lagging could be due to public information and its profitability, can it be grown economically in WI? Jane will try to find out more information on the subject.

September WTA meeting in at our Town hall on the 19<sup>th</sup>, 7pm.

#### **Old Business**

13. Security System: started installing, a lot of the wiring has been run, might be as long as a month before it gets completed. Locations of the cameras was changed, the one in the front should capture the whole front of the building, the others will watch the doors and the dumpsters. More cameras can also be added later. The installer told Mark the cameras will be able to distinguish large objects and people, but may not be able to distinguish license plates. We can always upgrade to better cameras in the future, as an added expense.
14. Above ground fuel tank: ongoing
15. Pukema & Walsh Roads: We need to have a letter signed by all 3 adjoining property owners, at this time we only have 2, once we have that we can proceed.
16. Dumonson property: still in progress
17. SVL: Should be done this week, we still have not received any invoices. Scott talked to someone as Earl has been taking pictures for the Historical Society, but any pictures that have the bridge workers in them, have to be approved by the company before they can be used. The bridge looks good. The reflective ends on the guardrails are very expensive, so most towns do not replace them if they get damaged.
18. none

#### **New business**

19. Snow and propane/fuel letters: Snow-Jon wants 394-9629 listed on the snowplow letters. Tracy wants to know about charging late fees, kind of hard to charge late fees unless you can guarantee mail delivery, also discussed changing to the "plowing season" in the verbiage rather than Jan 1 to Dec 31, this was based on the way it was billed on the tax rolls. If it were changed how would you handle the residents who consider themselves paid Oct-Dec? Jon advised to add the annual meeting agenda. Scott motioned to approved the snow letters as they are and revisit at the annual meeting, Mary seconded, carried 7:27 pm. Scott motioned to accept the propane/fuel letters, Mary seconded, carried 7:29 pm.
20. Jane Auklam: she is here regarding a property that needs an easement, to be discussed at an upcoming meeting.

Motion to adjourn made by Scott, seconded by Mary meeting adjourned 7:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Ruth Ann D Schnepfer, Clerk  
8/27/2017

Location: Town Hall, Collection Site, FD, online

These minutes are posted as **unapproved**