

**Town of Oakland, Douglas County  
Regular Town Board Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, February 12, 2019, at 7 p.m.  
Oakland Town Garage**

Present: Warren Dolsen, Jack Byrd, Shelby Barnard, Laurie Dolsen and 1 Interested Citizen

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Chair Warren Dolsen. The meeting started late and Pat Asbury was unable to make it due to the severe snow storm taking place. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, a quorum was present, and the meeting was properly posted. The meeting minutes from the January 8 town board meeting were previously reviewed and no changes were made. SB motioned to approve the January 8 town board meeting minutes as presented; JB seconded; all were in favor; motion carried.

**Reports:** Clerk Laurie Dolsen reported she has completed and distributed all of the employee tax information, she is preparing for the April 2 Spring Election, the January and February Settlements are done, and she has begun preparing for the spring clean-up day, board of review, etc., in addition to working on the FEMA paperwork with Brian. Treasurer Pat Asbury was not present but told Laurie prior to the meeting she did not have anything to report. Supervisor Shelby Barnard shared that the school bus drivers are giving all the turnaround locations to the Road Crew so they can make sure they are plowed and sanded properly. Supervisor Jack Byrd did not have anything to report. Chair Warren Dolsen shared he had received an email from Tammy Baldwin regarding grants available for expanding broadband in the area and local townships and UW Extension is looking into this. No one from the fire department was present—no report. Road Crew—foreman Brian Conley was on vacation but left the following report for Laurie to read: They have been sanding as needed; stockpiled salt and sand from Gordon as our supply is running out; delivered garbage/recycling cans; worked on the old Mack's lights; worked on FEMA paperwork; steamed culverts; winged back the drifting snow; cleaned the fire department floor; worked on the VFD snowshoe race stuff; and plowed and plowed, and plowed, and plowed! Our County Supervisor was not present—no report.

**Plan Commission:** The Plan Commission met on February 6 and they reported that the lake access on Dowling Lake offer to purchase was tabled at this time; the Douglas County CWD study committee recommendation discussion was tabled because we have a year to set any details; and the Douglas County zoning resolution to amend Ordinance 8.0 to allow seasonal dwellings without conditional use permits, conditional use permit approval for year-round dwellings in RR-1 and to eliminate conditional use permit approval for season year round dwellings in F-1 Forestry (with this change, seasonal and year-round dwellings will be allowed uses and will be issued land use permits rather than conditional use permits) was discussed and the PC voted in favor of approving the county resolution. JB motioned to adopt the Douglas County Resolution as presented and as recommended by the PC; SB seconded; all were in favor; motion carried.

**Non-Metallic Mine Applications:** LD shared that the non-metallic mine renewals have been submitted and the fees have been paid. Zoning should be acting on them at an upcoming meeting. No changes have occurred so the renewal applications should be approved.

**MSHA Training:** Upon research, it was determined that our road crew members can receive MSHA training for free through Operators Union Local 139 (hotel and meal expenses are paid by the town) and

this will allow them to be certified to enter all pits and quarries. Road crew members have registered for the free training and will attend individually so we will have coverage in the township if needed.

**Clean-Up Day:** Our annual clean-up day usually takes place the third weekend in May (between Mother's Day weekend and Memorial Day. This year, that day is May 18. LD tentatively let Waste Management know that is most likely the date we will have this year's clean-up day in order to reserve the dumpsters. SB motioned to hold our clean-up day on May 18; JB seconded; all were in favor; motion carried. SB will contact the fire department to see if they will assist with clean-up day and JB will contact Gronks for food, Afterlife for appliance pickup, and the vendor we went with last year for tires.

**2018 Flood Update:** Brian and Laurie met with the new FEMA representative and shared where we are at in the process. Documentation is being gathered and paperwork is being input online. Work continues and with the volume of damage and large number of locations impacted, it is a huge undertaking.

**New Town Hall/Fire Garage Status Update:** The contractor hopes to pour the concrete floor on the fire garage side of the building this coming Thursday morning; the kitchen design was discussed with the contractors and Campbells will be asked to resubmit a quote for prices of what is needed (previous quote was from 2016); and a resolution to deny Schweikert's Construction's countersuit is needed. LD read the proposed resolution and a brief discussion followed. SB motioned to approve the Resolution to Deny Schweikert Construction's Countersuit; JB seconded; all were in favor; motion carried.

**Public Comment:** Reminder—the fire department's snow shoe races are next weekend. Hopefully, the weather will cooperate.

The next town board meeting will be Tuesday, March 12, 2019, at 7 p.m. LD reminded the board she will be out of town that date and SB said she would take notes for Laurie. SB motioned to adjourn; JB seconded; all were in favor; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie K. Dolsen, Clerk