

**Town of Oakland, Douglas County  
Regular Town Board Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, March 14, 2017, at 7 p.m.  
Oakland Town Hall**

Present: Warren Dolsen, Jack Byrd, Shelby Barnard, Laurie Dolsen, Pat Asbury, and 7 Interested Citizens

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Chair Warren Dolsen; the Pledge of Allegiance was recited; a quorum was present; and the meeting was properly posted. Meeting minutes for the February regular town board meeting were reviewed previously and JB motioned to accept the meeting minutes as written; SB seconded; all were in favor; motion carried.

**Reports:** Clerk Laurie Dolsen reviewed the significant correspondence and reported she has been preparing for the April 4, 2017, Spring Election as well as the April Annual Town Meeting. She thanked Shelby for taking minutes in her absence in February due to illness. Treasurer Pat Asbury did not have a report. Supervisor Shelby Barnard reported that she went with Randy recently to do road checks and there are several roads they will be watching (i.e., Oliphant, Clara Barton, Jacksino, Pine Grove, and South Lyman Lake Road). They will be grading those and putting gravel on some as needed during spring breakup. The culvert on Swamp Road by Mikrot Road is smashed and is in need of repair. Supervisor Jack Byrd said he has also been watching the roads and reminded residents that we are in spring breakup right now and roads will be monitored and graded as needed and asked everyone to contact the garage or a board member if their road is in need of maintenance during this time. Chair Warren Dolsen shared he has been approached by the Town of Superior to possibly work together on Spring Cleanup. He will be talking with their chair to see what he is proposing. Fire Chief John Melcher shared that in February, they had 3 medical calls, 1 motor vehicle accident call, 1 fire alarm check, and 1 mutual aid medical. He also shared that the 2% fire dues self-certification has been completed; the local regional Be Somebody campaign will be on June 3, 2017, in Brule; the \$1,000 medical grant has been applied for; and they are now focusing their efforts on wildland fire season this spring until everything greens up. No one from the road crew was present, but it was reported they have been steaming culverts, monitoring the roads, and grading and graveling Old Lyman Lake Road. Supervisor Dan Corbin reported there is a meeting regarding Concentrated Animal Farm Operations (CAFOs) on Thursday at 2 p.m. and a proposed ordinance will be introduced. Zoning is monitoring the Deer Farm issue. The administrator was just diagnosed with Stage 4 cancer and prayers are appreciated.

**Plan Commission:** They did not meet last month and work continues on the pending ordinances.

**Bills:** The bills were reviewed and SB motioned to accept and approve the bills as presented; JB seconded; all were in favor; motion carried. Cliff Hansen asked about the costs expended to date regarding the new town hall and asked that a report be available at the town meeting in April.

**Resolution to Extend Lien Road:** The proposed resolution to extend the Lien Road was reviewed and a question/answer period followed. A question was also asked about the Oakland Road and WD will ask the Town of Superior about it. JB motioned to pass the proposed resolution to extend the Lien Road ¼ mile; SB seconded; all were in favor; motion carried.

**Animal Control Officer:** Jacki Hietala is interested in serving in this position and has submitted a letter of interest for the board to review. The position pays a \$25 stipend per call plus mileage. Gary Vendela still needs to return the kennel he was given while holding the position or replace it with a new one. JB

motioned to appoint Jacki Hietala to the Animal Control Officer position; SB seconded; all were in favor; motion carried.

**Beer/Liquor License Application Received:** The Next Bar-N-Grill is under new management and the new owner is Gary King. He has applied for a Class B Beer/Liquor license and a Tobacco license and is currently getting all of the paperwork and fees to Laurie so she can take back the old licenses from Stahavinc and issue the new licenses to Gary King. SB motioned to approve the license pending all paperwork and fees are in order and have been paid; JB seconded; all were in favor; motion carried.

**New Town Hall/Fire Garage Update:** Bidding documents for the concrete work and roofing and a general contractor are being prepared and a mandatory walk-through will be held again prior to bids being received. LD checked and the prevailing wages issued previously last year will still apply to these aspects of the bidding.

**Public Comment:** LD asked who would be attending the upcoming meetings/trainings and SB stated she would be attending the meeting in Cable on Wednesday, May 10; WD stated he would be attending the meeting on Saturday, April 1; and JB stated he would be able to attend the April 1 and May 10 trainings and would purchase the new WTA guidebooks that are now available—LD will send a check with him.

The next regular town board meeting will be on Tuesday, April 11, 2017, at 7 p.m.

SB motioned to adjourn; JB seconded; all were in favor; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie K. Dolsen, Town Clerk