

**Town of Oakland, Douglas County
Regular Town Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 9, 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 by Chair Warren Dolsen at 7:05 p.m.; the Pledge of Allegiance was recited; a quorum was present; and the meeting was properly posted. Town board meeting minutes from the regular town board meeting on April 14 and the special town board meeting on April 24 were reviewed previously and no changes were made. SB motioned to approve the April 14 and April 24 town board meeting minutes as presented; JB seconded; all were in favor; motion carried.

Reports: Clerk Laurie Dolsen shared that Open Book and Board of Review were held earlier today, the Form CT has been completed and submitted to the State of Wisconsin Department of Revenue; she is working on the paperwork for the new town hall/fire garage and the bank loan for the building. She also reviewed the significant correspondence received. Treasurer Pat Asbury shared we have received the lottery credit, the annual ATC check, and an installment of our highway aids. Supervisors Jack Byrd and Shelby Barnard did not have anything to report. Chair Warren Dolsen did not have anything to report. No one from the fire department was present, but LD did receive via email from fire chief John Melcher that they had 2 mutual aid fire calls, 4 mutual aid medical calls, 1 mutual aid motor vehicle accident, 3 medical calls, and 1 standby call. They are ready to assist us with Town Cleanup on May 20, and John also shared that the fire danger is very high right now and burning permits are suspended until further notice. Brian Conley from the road crew shared they are pulling shoulders and working up the roads to aid with the spring thaw and they are putting brakes on the dump truck. County Supervisor Dan Corbin provided an update on the draft CAFO (concentrated animal farming operation) ordinance; the County Board is currently reviewing recycling contracts; the board is short one member now, and there is a new acting county administrator as Andy Lisak is out on medical leave. LD asked Dan why the Town of Oakland does not receive any assistance for recycling and he will check on that and let her know what he finds out.

Plan Commission: The Plan Commission met at 6 p.m. prior to this meeting and they reviewed correspondence received from Douglas County Zoning regarding the draft of the CAFO ordinance and also Farmland Preservation information. They also reviewed the Conditional Use Permit for the renewal of the non-metallic mine for Dave/Deb Hansen and recommend the board approve it with the notation that it now will fall under the town's non-metallic mine ordinance like all the other mines that have been renewed since its implementation (Hansen's previous regulations for their mine would be null and void because the town's NMM ordinance now supersedes those stipulations). SB motioned to approve Hansen's non-metallic mine CUP renewal so it will fall under the town's ordinance; JB seconded; all were in favor; motion carried. The PC was not able to discuss the Wieman application for a private campground because it was not on their agenda but in looking it over, they would see no objection to approving this application (the PC will discuss this application at their June meeting). The board decided to move forward with acting on this application since it was on their agenda and after a brief discussion, JB motioned to approve the private campground application for Wieman if no objections were received from neighboring landowners; SB seconded; all were in favor; motion carried.

Bills: JB motioned to accept and approve the bills as presented; SB seconded; all were in favor; motion carried.

Operator's License: LD shared she has received an operator's license renewal application and recommends approval to run through June 30, 2018. JB motioned to accept and approve the operator's license renewal application as received for Tracy Salyards to run through June 30, 2018; SB seconded; all were in favor; motion carried.

Playground Equipment Update: The equipment is currently being stored in Brooklyn Park, Minnesota, in a shipping container and JB has been calling a few of the local trucking companies to see if they will be able to bring it back with them on one of their empty return trips and is waiting for a price. If that does not work out, we will send our road crew down there to pick it up.

Interest on Building Loan: LD checked with NBC and the loan rates have changed slightly and the bank is offering a 2.95% interest rate for 5 years and then it would be renegotiated and there is no pre-pay clause or a 3.95% interest for a straight 20-year loan with a pre-pay clause. After discussion SB motioned to go with the 2.95% interest rate for 5 years; JB seconded; all were in favor; motion carried.

New Town Hall/Fire Storage Garage Status Update: Contracts with the 4 firms who have been awarded the low bids are being written and we are working on getting the sworn statements from the contractors to give to the bank for the loan. WD will check with Bill Kovaleski to get an update on the contracts so they can be reviewed prior to being signed. Sandy Waletzko asked about the total cost of the project and that was explained to her. We will most likely have a lawyer review the contracts for completeness once they are received—JB will check into this.

Public Comment: Mary Brill asked about the status of the request received to put in a culvert that was taken out over 20 years ago and a brief discussion followed. Basically, the landowner does not agree with the DNR's recommendation to not have a culvert and WD will check with the WTA to see what we should do if the landowner decides to sue the town.

Representative Nick Milroy has proposed a deer farm bill to increase monitoring if Chronic Wasting Disease is found on the farm (current regulations are more relaxed).

A culvert pipe on the Koenen Road has a good sized hole in it (it is located right before Hansen's place) and the road crew will look at it—it will also be reviewed during the upcoming road checks.

Road checks need to be rescheduled—after review of calendars, the annual roads checks will take place on Monday, June 12, 2017, at 8 a.m. (meet at the town garage).

The next town board meeting will be on Tuesday, June 13, 2017, at 7 p.m. Reminder—town cleanup is on Saturday, May 20, 2017. SB motioned to adjourn; JB seconded; all were in favor; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie K. Dolsen, Clerk