

**Town of Johnstown
Polk County, WI**

Minutes of Monthly Town Board Meeting
Tuesday, April 21, 2015

Chairman, Mike Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. Present were Supervisors, Richard Naessen and Joe Zaspel; Treasurer, Sue Rouzer; Clerk, Deanne Moravitz and 22 town residents.

Approval of March Town Meeting Minutes – Motion Zaspel/Naessen to approve the minutes as submitted by the clerk. Motion Carried.

Approval of Treasurer's Report – Motion Zaspel/Naessen to approve the March Treasurers Report as submitted by the Treasurer. Motion Carried.

Approve Vouchers for Payment of Bills – Motion Rouzer/Zaspel to pay the bills as submitted by the Clerk. Motion Carried.

**The Regular May Monthly Town Board Meeting will be held on
Tuesday, May 12, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Shed, 2181 County Rd G, Comstock, WI.**

**OPEN BOOK will be Tuesday, May 12, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
BOARD OF REVIEW will be Tuesday, May 12, 2015 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Review Cemstone Pricing and Service Agreement – reviewed with no action taken.

Period of Public Comment – Doug Rouzer ask if there would be any crushing taking place in the new future. Chairman Anderson stated that until the frost is out, the roads are stable and the road restrictions from the county have been lifted, we will not be crushing. Rouzer also asked what the town has in mind in regards to Infrancies of Husbandry (IOH). There is a Polk County Towns Association Meeting on April 23rd that the Board member's will be attending to gather more information regarding permits for Agricultural and Commercial travel on the township roads. More information will be made available after the April 23rd meeting. Contact Chairman, Mike Anderson if you have questions 715-822-4298 or 715-296-1480.

Deborah Schadegg submitted a written request for documents at a past meeting. Has this request been fulfilled? No, the clerk is the one that would possibly have the records requested and she did not receive a copy of the request. Deborah will resend the request directly to clerk.

Carolyn Vance asked if any further consideration was given to changing the speed limit on 235th Ave. Chairman Anderson stated that this would be covered in the Supervisor's report.

Shirley Ferraro asked Chairman Anderson to design and provide a formal form that can be completed by residents that are requesting considerations and presentments to the board. Chairman Anderson declined the request.

Chairman Anderson addressed several of the items that were on the list presented to members of the township and at the Annual Meeting.

1. The town board will discuss reducing the speed limit to 35 MPH on the following roads; 233rd, 235th, 240th, 45th and 220th.
2. Chairman Anderson met with Steve Beckon, owner/manager of Cemstone, to discuss concerns of the residents that reside on the roadways that are used for transporting product out of the Strenke Pit. It was requested that driver's not use Jake Braking, unless absolutely necessary, to help reduce noise. There are state guidelines regarding decibel levels on trucks. All Cemstone trucks are within those guidelines. Hours of operation will be Monday thru Thursday, 6 a.m. – 6 p.m.

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3. The township will not put a limit on the depth of the digging at the Strenke Pit. That type of monitoring belongs to the DNR.
4. The township has no plans of charging any fee's for mined product. If you start charging for mining, then you need to charge for any and all heavy truck traveling our roads. This would lead to need for scales to be installed, etc. and is cost prohibitive to the township and/or the businesses that reside and/or transact business in our township.
5. Within the list of "long term goals" that was presented were several topics that are governed by Polk County Zoning, MSHA, DNR, GAB and other state agencies and are not something that the town board has any powers over. Such as berms around open mines, number of family member's on a board of elected positions, comprehensive planning, bonds, garbage dumps, nuclear dumps and pit reclamations.

Supervisors Report – Zaspel mentioned that roads and intersections were swept last week.

Road Maintenance – Starting tomorrow and as conditions permit, Patrolman, Brad Chase, will work on our gravel roads

Other actions - Doug Rouzer turned in his key for the town shed after numerous years of service as a Town Supervisor. Newly elected Supervisor, Richard Naessen was sworn in by Clerk, Deanne Moravitz.

Adjournment – Motion Zaspel/Anderson to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Motion Carried.