

**Town of Johnstown
Polk County, WI**

Minutes of Monthly Town Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 15, 2016

Chairman, Mike Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:57 p.m. Present was Supervisors Joe Zaspel and Richard Naessen; Treasurer, Sue Rouzer; Clerk, Deanne Moravitz and 5 town residents.

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

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

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

The Regular December Monthly Town Board Meeting will be held at the Town Shed; 2181 County Road G, Comstock, WI on Tuesday, December 13th, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

Caucus for Spring Election to be held on January 10, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

Approve 2017 Budget – Motion by Naessen, seconded by Zaspel to approve the 2017 Budget as presented by the clerk and approved by the Electors at the Special Town Meeting that preceded the regular board meeting. Motion Carried. [Budget Summary is posted at the Town Shed and online.]

Period of Public Comment – Dick Hollar discussed the clearing of the beaver dam under the bridge that runs between North and South Pipe Lake. The Pipe Lake District has agreed to compensate the town \$150 for a portion of the cost involved in the demolition.

Joe Franzen asked about the cost for mowing ditches in the township – is it by the hour? What are the standards for ditch mowing? The Township has an annual contract with Evenson Excavating for mowing the ditches. Two mowing's. \$4975 per mowing. Chairman Anderson will further research ditch mowing standards thru the county and state. Dick Hollar asked about sweeping the corners where loose gravel was applied. Brad swept them once and will do again if necessary.

Supervisor Reports – Chairman Anderson explained the proposed changes for fire and rescue districts. In general, the response time for town residents with an emergency in some locations within the township can be better served by other districts. Other districts that Anderson has met with include Apple River, Turtle Lake and Luck. Anderson also mentioned that beaver dam removals are still in process. There is one that is causing flooding on 25th St. that he will analyze.

Road Maintenance Report – The emergency snow removal route will be reviewed to determine if any changes are necessary.

Adjournment – Motion by Zaspel; seconded by Naessen to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Motion Carried.

THESE ARE DRAFT MINUTES, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL BY THE TOWN BOARD