Town of Johnstown Polk County, WI

Minutes of Monthly Town Board Meeting Tuesday, July 14th, 2015

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Present were Supervisor's Joe Zaspel and Richard Naessen; Clerk, Deanne Moravitz; Treasurer, Sue Rouzer and five town residents.

<u>Approval of June Town Meeting Minutes</u> – Motion Anderson/Zaspel to approve as submitted the Clerk. Motion Carried

<u>Approval of Treasurer's Report</u> – Motion Zaspel/Anderson to approve June report as submitted by Treasurer. Motion Carried.

<u>Approve Vouchers for Payment of Bills</u> – Motion Anderson/Zaspel to pay the bills as submitted the clerk. Motion Carried.

<u>The Regular August Monthly Town Board Meeting will be held on</u> <u>Tuesday, August 11th at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Shed, 2181 County Rd G, Comstock, WI.</u>

<u>Danniger Subdivision</u> – Josh Yunker from Polk County Zoning presented a subdivision proposal. Paul Danniger is selling a small piece of land to Troy Paulson on the east side of Pipe Lake.

<u>Backup Grader Operator</u> – Motion my Zaspel/Seconded by Anderson to advertise for a backup grader operator. Motion Carried.

<u>Staple Lake Tavern</u> – no one present.

<u>Period of Public Comment</u> – Dick Hollar reported on behalf of the Pipe Lakes District – The 4th of July celebrations were once again a success with the boat parade. The annual picnic will be at the end of August; more details to follow. Monitor at the landing continues to do a fine job.

Question was asked about the township starting a noise and dust barrier around the Strenke Pit. Resident was told to address Polk County Zoning.

<u>Supervisors Reports</u> – Zaspel mentioned that he has had both good and bad comments in regards to the lower speed limit postings around the lake.

<u>Road Maintenance</u> – Motion by Zaspel/Seconded by Anderson for Brad Chase to purchase a small compactor for the township at an approximate cost of \$1600. Motion Carried.

Consideration is being given for Midwest Frac to line culverts. There are two culverts that would be good for this process. The first culvert west of "T" has no bottom left and a 15" culvert at the west end of 190th.

Anderson will get estimates. Since this is a relatively new process for Midwest Frac, it was proposed that the town would possibly get these two culverts completed at cost.

Motion by Anderson/Zaspel to price carbide grader blades for summer grading and winter snow removal. Motion carried.

Motion Anderson/Zaspel to amend the equipment rental agreement and rates: add a "reason clause" that clearly states that personal equipment is being *rented* by the township when in use. Motion carried.

Motion by Zaspel/Anderson for any work performed by town employee and/or elected positions for the township with their own personal use equipment lawn care equipment be paid by the hour and the payment be retroactive to this date [July 14, 2015]. Motion carried.

Location of speed limit and stop ahead signs was discussed between Anderson, Zaspel and Brad Chase. Brad will get them installed in the next week.

Zaspel asked if the graveling needs for the summer have been completed. Need to review the spring road conditions reports and complete the gravel distribution. It was also asked if the town could rent a bucket truck from Polk County for tree trimming. Due to liability risk involved, we will not. Instead we will hire a professional for high trimming needs.

Adjournment – Motion Anderson/Zaspel to adjourn at 7:07 p.m.