

TOWN OF DRUMMOND

Bayfield County
Drummond, Wisconsin 54832



Notice of the meeting and agenda was posted at the Post Office and website on April 9, 2016.

MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING: April 12, 2016.

CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 p.m. in the Civic Center by Roy Bloom, Chair.

ATTENDANCE: Roy Bloom, Chair; R. W. Fredericks, Jr., Chris Elkins, Supervisors; Diane Gehr, treasurer; Andy Tuttle, clerk. Six members of the public were present.

MINUTES: Motion by Elkins, second by Fredericks to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2016 and March 15, 2016 town board meetings. **CARRIED.**

TREASURER'S REPORT: Gehr reported the following balances are in town accounts: Checking \$186,705.96, savings \$27,866.02, Tax savings \$228,568.54, and LGIP \$174,511.40.

ROAD REPORT: Dale has made several attempts to contact the Forest Service engineer regarding last fall's damage to Bearsdale Road. The engineer has yet to respond.

SUPERVISOR REPORT: Fredericks announced a meeting to be held with the Forest Service, Lake Owen Association and the town on April 22, 2016 at 2:00pm in the Civic Center. This meeting is to discuss future maintenance of the Lake Owen picnic grounds. Fredericks was also contacted by the school who offered their old playground equipment if the town removed it. The board agreed that the town has no use for the equipment at this time.

AIRPORT REPORT: The airport commission is planning on holding a public hearing and 3-Towns meeting in May to approve grant request.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mary Ann Spears said that the town board and Comp Plan Committee need to make it clear to zoning permit applicants that they must contact the UDC inspector.

ROADSIDE CLEAN-UP: There will be a roadside clean-up day scheduled for April 30th from 8am to noon. The town will provide trash bags and safety vests. Food will be served afterward.

TRUCK REPLACEMENT: One of the town trucks caught fire and will obviously have to be replaced. The insurance appraiser gave a rough value estimate of \$35,000.00. The full insurance report should be arriving shortly. The board discussed options and timelines for purchasing a new vehicle. A new truck with attachments should cost around \$170,000. There is currently \$120,000 in the highway equipment fund with another \$30,000 potentially earmarked for 2017, when the truck was due to be replaced. A new truck that is ordered now would most likely not be available until fall. Motion by Fredericks, second by Elkins to have Dale request bids for a replacement truck. **CARRIED.**

CRACK SAW & SEAL PROJECTS: In order to possibly free up some funding to assist with the truck replacement, Dale provided a copy of the 2016 road project

list. The board discussed the benefits of moving a couple of crack fill and paving projects to 2017. The board agreed to omit S. Lake Owen Dr. crackfill until 2017. Once truck bids come in, more discussion may be necessary.

BILLS: Motion by Elkins, second by Fredericks to approve checks #38334 through #38398 including e-pays for payment of bills. **CARRIED.**

FUTUTRE ITEMS: The board discussed the possibility of abandoning the portion of the town road on the lot where the new firehall is to be built. This would eliminate the need for zoning setbacks. The board will consider starting the abandonment process at the next meeting. The board also agreed to schedule the annual Board of Review for June 8, 2016 from 3-5 pm, if that will work for the assessor. The clerk will confirm. Tuttle also highlighted the increase in property insurance premiums. There was an increase of 60%. An increase was predicted due to provisions in the last state budget bill. The clerk will look into possible options.

NEXT MEETING DATE: The next town board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 15, 2016 at 6:30 pm in the Civic Center.

The Annual Town Meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, April 20, 2016 at 6:30 in the Civic Center.

CLOSED SESSION: Motion by Fredericks, second by Elkins to enter into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(b) in order to discuss discipline of an employee. **CARRIED.** Closed session began at 7:50pm.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION: The board returned to open session at 8:25 pm. Appropriate disciplinary action was taken in closed session.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.