

Town Board Meeting February 9, 2009

James Parent called the regular monthly Town Board meeting to order at 7:00PM in the meeting room at the Town Hall. Present were James Parent, Peter Jacobs, Robert Schultz, Barbara Anschutz, Dale Williams, Douglas Smith and 8 visitors. Lois Pluff was absent.

Clerk verified posting. Motion made/second Dale/Peter to accept the agenda. Carried.

Accept minutes – Motion made/second Peter/Bob to accept the minutes. Carried.

Citizen input – Hugh Mulliken gave an update on the new floodplain maps adopted by the County. He also stated the County Administrator is putting forth another budget target of having no increase this year. They will also be looking into using concrete for road construction in the future. Smart Growth plan will be available for review within 6 months.

Karl Klug asked about the town website. Clerk stated it is up and running and gave the address.

Dale mentioned that at some point in the future, he would like to have a meeting with the Town Board and our two County Board representatives.

Del Herrbold – Discuss/decide insurance rates/quote – Del went over the new rates, copies of which can be seen in the 2009 minute book. Workers' Comp. went down a bit. They are requiring a pyrotechnics certification. Barb can get that. Motion made/second Dale/Barb to accept the renewal quotes from Rural Mutual. Carried.

Michael Walker – Discussion on sales vs. assessments for Kangaroo Lake area – Mike wanted to give the Board an update on this topic. A correction will have to be made for this area for the 2009 assessment year. He gave a handout detailing the sales vs. assessments, a copy of which can be viewed in the 2009 minute book. He also stated that as summer gets closer, he'd be very interested in extending his contract for possibly a couple of years. We will talk more about it this summer.

Discuss/decide letter from Door County Visitor Bureau regarding Community Marketing Fund – Mike Meulemans of the BHCA and Jack Money penny of the DCVB spoke. There is a \$300,000 pot that that will be split between all communities. It will be for the next three years and will not exist after that. It must go to marketing, that's why it cannot go the Town government. They are asking the association to earmark no less than 60% of these funds for external marketing for outside the county. Bulk of the funds will distributed the last third of the year. The DCVB will work with everyone and make sure it's fair across the board. Mike said they are going to be reevaluating the money they are receiving from the Town Board and will present a new budget outline. Motion made/second Peter/Barb to designate the extra marketing dollars to the Baileys Harbor Community Association. Carried.

Discuss/decide on building inspector proposal – Bob Arnold and Brett Guilette presented Independent Inspections' side of the case. They asked the Board to consider quality and not just price. They stressed that their goal is to make all requested inspections within 24 hours, even though the UDC allows 48 hours. Bob's personal goal is same day. The average elapsed time was 3 hours and 30 minutes. 98% of the time, inspections were made the same day and 100% were done within 24 hours. IIL's philosophy is that every required inspection must be conducted. Dale explained the biggest issue is the cost. With the ever increasing cost of everything, it has really become an issue. Jim agreed. Dale said he doesn't think the service is a big issue; it's simply the fee structure. Motion made/second Jim/Barb to make the change to R. Mark Inspections and give 60 day notice to Independent Inspections. Carried. We will be revisiting the contract on an annual basis.

Finalize liquor license ordinance amendment – Jim explained the changes that were a result of the last meeting, which can be viewed in the 2009 minute book. Randy Nesbitt will have to review changes and turn it into ordinance form. Jim is envisioning that we conditionally approve this and then forward to Randy for review and to turn into ordinance form and then we'd vote on it one more time and then publish it in the paper at that point. We will also have to be careful that we don't hurt any existing establishments. Motion made/second Dale/Barb to conditionally approve amendments to liquor license ordinance subject to legal approval and then coming back to the Town Board for final approval. Carried.

Discuss/decide creation of non-profit status for Baileys Harbor A's baseball team – Sister Bay team is a private club that is a non-profit and they hold the franchise. They don't pay any money to use the fields. They just do whatever they need to do. Jim feels it would be a good idea to form a 501c3 for the A's and get it out of the Town's hands. He did check with the attorneys at the Wisconsin Towns Association and they didn't feel it was in the best interest of anybody and thought it would be best to separate the two. From an insurance standpoint, all the players sign a waiver relieving the County League and the Town from any liability. In order to form a 501c3 a corporation will be formed with a board and some bylaws. The team will have to do that, but all the technicalities of it will be handled by the Town. Jim and Doug will work on the preparation part of everything. The maintenance of the park would still be the Town's responsibility. The financial aspect with the concession stand would not have to be dealt with by the Town any more.

Discuss/decide change order for bar screening project at Waste Water Treatment Plant – Bar screen is up and running. Everything is working fine. Zeise was nervous because there are some items that can't be done until spring. The completion date was Thursday. They just wanted to see if we would grant an extension. Dale feels May 1 should be a fair date and if anything can be done in the meantime, it should be done. Motion made/second Dale/Bob to revise the completion date to May 1, 2009 at which time the project must be completely finished. Carried.

Barb – report from WTA district meeting – Any project of \$210,000 or more needs to use prevailing wage rates. Door County is using Brown County’s rates because only a few people sent in their wage surveys last year.

Chairman report – Engineer will have a couple of projects going out for bids soon. As for some of the other projects, we’ll have to meet with Steve and decide what we want to do this year. As for the Catholic Church/storm sewer/wall project, we should meet with the Church to find out if they’re going to fix the wall.

Bob – Roads – Sweeping will happen in spring. Rubberized crack filling in May. Couple of options for blacktopping. Could do Bluff Road up to the end of the sewer. County will do half of that. Harbor Lane needs some work done as well.

Barb – Town Hall – In regards to the McArdle plaque on the east side of the building, she talked to Global Recognition. They could ship it to their company in Pennsylvania and get it done for about \$1,300. The maintenance guys have tried all sorts of different cleaners and it’s not coming out the way it should be. It’s a bronze plaque. Karl Klug suggested Alumicast & Bronze in Appleton. Barb will contact them. We’ll also working on getting new keys for the Town Hall.

Dale – Sewer report – None.

Peter – Plan Commission report – Peter and Cal need to pick up new zoning maps at the County.

Payment of Bills – Motion made/second Dale/Peter to pay all bills. Carried.

Motion made/second Dale/Barb to adjourn at 9:30PM. Carried.

These minutes are subject to correction at the next regular monthly Town Board meeting.

Douglas Smith
Town Clerk