

Town Board Meeting November 10, 2008

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, Barbara Anschutz, Robert Schultz, Dale Williams, Douglas Smith and 4 visitors. Peter Jacobs and Lois Pluff were absent.

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

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

Accept Treasurer's report – Motion made/second Barb/Dale to accept the report. Carried.

Citizen input – None.

Allen Merkle – Discuss/decide rerouting of snowmobile trail along County Rd. A – There is some property that the snowmobile trail can no longer go across so it has to be rerouted. The plan is to cross County A and go along the east side of it up to Wooded Lane. John Kolodziej at Door County Highway Dept. doesn't have a problem with it. Jim said the Town really doesn't have any jurisdiction. John K. just told Allen to go before the Town Board to let them know what's going on. Motion made/second Jim/Dale to approve the rerouting of the snowmobile trail along County Road A, as much as Town jurisdiction allows. Carried.

Bryan Nelson – Tourism Zone Commission report – Big news is all of Door County is on board. The last two to join were Village of Forestville and Town of Clay Banks. Sturgeon Bay has not signed papers yet. The zone is up, even taking out the new communities. Baileys Harbor is down. TZC voted to approve the Door County Visitor Bureau's three year plan.

Bryan Nelson – Discuss/decide Door County Bicycle Network Plan – Bryan appeared with Tom Utzinger last week in front of the Planning Commission. Basically it's a bicycle trail connecting all the towns and villages in northern Door. There are some funds available for developing bicycle lanes as roads are redone. However, the grants cannot be written unless there is a plan in place. The initial cost would be around \$6,900 for the group to come in and write the plan. As far as which roads would be done, the group would come in and look at the Town roads and plan the best route. As the roads are resurfaced in their normal cycle, bike paths would be added. The hope is this might happen over 20 years. The more communities that sign on board at a given time, the estimated \$6,900 would come down. The lanes would be on each side of the selected roads. Dale feels it's a good idea, but the rules and regulations of bicycling should be stressed. We'll keep the plans on file and will talk about it at budget time next year. If everyone seems like they're going with it all of the sudden, Bryan will let us know and we'll bring it back earlier.

Discuss/decide purchase of mix flush valve and alternator for lift station #4 – Sewer Committee is recommending an expenditure of up to \$4,500. Lift station #4 has problems with getting plugged up and this would help alleviate them. Motion made/second Bob/Barb to purchase a mix flush valve and alternator for lift station #4. Carried.

Discuss/decide pay request #3 from Kaempfer & Associates for Zeise Const. – Request is to the end of October. Kaempfer is recommending payment. Motion made/second Barb/Bob to approve pay request #3 for Zeise Const. Carried. Dale would like to know why the retainage has been going down. Doug called Kaempfer the next day and Don Heikkila explained that it goes according to a law.

Committee reports – Chairman – None.

Bob/Roads – About \$88,000 left in the roads budget. Will try to keep \$50,000 in for snow. There is some ditching to do. Will have some chipping done on the high branches out by North Bay. We could also get some surveys done on Chapel Lane and Cana Cove. Jim feels we should get a detailed plan, including what all trees will have to be removed, etc. Dale agrees. We'll hold off on the North Bay work for right now.

Barb –Town Hall/Parks – Barb got some info for window replacements. The four round ones come to \$7,900 and the two half rounds on the east entrances, without dividers, would be \$7,200, and with the dividers would be \$9,000. This wouldn't be done until 2010. Barb also brought up the usage of the electricity at the pavilion. People are plugging in laptops, full computers, stereo systems, etc. and using them all day. Dale feels the breaker should be shut off. Jim said we'll wait until spring and see what happens. Sound World will be here on Thursday to take care of the microphones and install a DVD recorder. Dale brought up the plaque in front of the Town Hall. The maintenance dept. tried cleaning it, but it ended up getting worse. Dale said it should be taken off the building and put on a plaque by the flagpoles. It could also be replated. Barb will look into it. Jim brought up the front lawn. The Marina lawn looks beautiful, but the Town Hall lawn looks terrible. Jim will have a sprinkler installation company look at it in spring.

Peter – Plan Commission report – Absent.

Dale – Sewer report – None.

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

Motion made/second Jim/Barb to adjourn at 7:56PM. Carried.

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

Douglas Smith
Town Clerk