

TOWN OF WASCOTT
Wascott, WI 54890

Approved

Regular Town Board Meeting
Tuesday, September 4, 2012 @ 7:00 pm
Wascott Town Hall

- Minutes -

Work Session-6:30 p.m.

The work session was called to order by Chairman Greg Jensen at 6:30 p.m. to review financial claims presented for payment by Clerk/Treasurer Atkinson. **A Bush/Stupak motion to adjourn at 6:43 p.m.; carried.**

Regular Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

- A. Call to Order/Roll Call – Chair Jensen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present – Chair Jensen, Supervisors Hanson, Koalska, Stupak and Bush, Clerk/Treasurer Atkinson and 21 guests.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- C. Approval of Agenda – A Hanson/Bush motion to approve reversing order of agenda items I.8 and I.9 to discuss I.9 first; **carried.**
- D. Approval of Meeting Minutes of August 7, 2012 – A Bush/Stupak motion to approve; **carried.**
- E. Public Comments from persons present – Bev Allen – if a decision to open all roads to ATV routes is done, open all at the same time. Chuck McDermott responded he does not support opening all roads. This town is following a good procedure – as roads are requested, the town board acts accordingly. Chuck McCann commented the 4 Season's Club does not support opening all roads and Chuck personally is not in favor either. Jan Newsome – when town roads are opened, needs to be according to ordinance. Asked that the audit recommendations be discussed at a future meeting. Patti McDermott – please consider ATV road signage costs if all roads would be opened. Agnes Kennard stated she is against opening all roads to ATV routes.

F. Monthly Reports

1. Reports of Town Officers

Supv Hanson - Sealcoating of designated roads is finished.

Supv Bush – At the last Town Plan meeting, discussed at length the Blasting Ordinance, Non-metallic mining Ordinance, etc. Next meeting Sept 27.

Supv Koalska – Received \$7038 in grant monies for the East and West side Brush Collection Sites. Met with Marty Kasinskas and highway foreman John Lawler on road right-of-way clearing. Meeting with Mark Braasch, DNR Forestry, Tom Mahoney and Bill Matthais will visit the 176 acre park site which has been tagged for tree planting. Sent to Amy Cronk information regarding flood plains and wetlands.

Chair Jensen – The Clerk and I met with the town's insurance agent discussing the upcoming insurance policy coverage. Met with a group of management from Jack Link's beef jerky on Aug 15 regarding a proposed extension of a natural gas line to Minong. This line will follow the Hwy 53 corridor and will come from either Superior to the north or from Trego and go south. Anticipate line to be in within 18 months. The Town Plan Commission did another round of reviewing the Blasting Ordinance, etc. This version was sent to our town attorney for his legal opinion and waiting a reply. At the Conservation & Rec Committee meeting, Sandy Anderson resigned effective immediately, and Terry Hallenback resigned effective Dec 31, 2012. Chair Jensen, on behalf of the board, extended thanks to both members for participating over the last couple of years. Received acknowledgment the town will receive approximately \$12,900 from the Wisconsin Emergency Mgmt Division. Thanked Clerk/Treasurer Atkinson for keeping impeccable records and persistence in furnishing all required documents.

Thanked Dave Sletten, DC Emergency Mgmt Dept. for his assistance. Received correspondence from Enbridge indicating the company is requesting a "temporary" driveway permit to access the pipeline for repair work. Chair Jensen asked if there were any further comments from the audience – Patti McDermott commented a "Taste of Wascott" (recipe samplings of the WCC/FDA cookbook) will be held on Sunday, Sept. 16 from 11-1:00 pm at the Town Hall. Free will donation for the Gordon Food Shelf.

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Supv Bush commented he had attended the 4 Season's Food n' Fun event at the ballpark on Sept 1. It was phenomenal. Good food and car show!

2. Fire Department – Chief Michalek reported 3 medical calls, 1 car accident and 1 mutual aid with Solon Springs.
3. EMS-Asst. Director Stacey Vig reported 10 runs-4G/4W/2 Solon Springs. Stacey thanked all who came to the open house. Blood Drive will be Sept 17 at the FD.
4. County Board Representative-Mary Lou Bergman – no report.
5. Northwood School Representative-Michelle Manor – First day of school (9/4). Volleyball and football programs have started for both middle and high school. Sept 27 is September Fest at the Heartwood. HS and middle school initiative will begin and will focus primarily on study skills and will run for 2 weeks.

G. Treasurer's Report was provided by Clerk/Treasurer Atkinson for the month of July 2012 as follows:

Town Checking Account Balance	\$184,788.76
LGIP	614,225.84
FD Money Market Accounts:	
Acct #8143	15,086.39
Acct #8432	23,545.17
Acct #8374	10,556.44

H. Approval of August 2012 Vouchers – **A Bush/Stupak motion to approve; carried.**

I. New Business

1. Approval of Driveway Permit – **A Stupak/Hanson motion to approve permit for Manthci; carried.**
2. Approval of 2013 Budget Timetable – **A Hanson/Bush to approve; carried.**
3. Discuss/possible action re: Elimination of bat issue in town hall – **A Bush/Hanson motion to approve hiring Dan Scribner of Bats Be Gone to exclude bats from hall for an amount not to exceed \$1400; carried**
4. Approval to solicit bids for Fire Department high volume well – **A Bush/Koalska motion to approve; carried.**
5. Approval to purchase budgeted highway equipment tires – **A Hanson/Bush motion to seek quotes for tires; carried.**
6. Approval to solicit bids for surveying of the 176 acre park along the Eau Claire River – **A Koalska/Hanson motion to approve; carried.**
7. Discuss/approval to conduct a town contest naming the 176 acre park – **A Koalska/Hanson motion to approve; carried.**
8. Discuss/possible action re: Resolution 2012-23 – Advisory Referendum for April 2013 Election asking the electors if all paved town roads should be opened as ATV routes – **No action taken.**
9. Discuss/possible action re: Resolution 2012-22 – Open All Paved Town Roads as ATV Routes – **No action taken.**
10. Discuss/possible action re: Draft version of Northwest Wisconsin Fire Service (mutual aid) Agreement – No action needed. Information only.
11. Discuss/possible action re: Variance Request-Thomas Perry (after the fact), WA-032-02289-05, F-1, Eagle Heights-new garage within 63' setback of town road – **A Bush/Jensen motion to support Town Plan Commission's recommendation to deny request; carried.** Supv Hanson recused himself from vote.
12. Discuss/possible action re: Ordinance 2012-08 – Amendment Updating Cemetery Ordinance 2004-01 – **A Hanson/Bush motion to approve; carried.**

J. Old Business

1. Discuss/possible action re: Disposal of highway scrap metal – Supv Hanson reported McKenzie Supply will purchase 2 of the 5 old blades and issue a dollar credit. **A Hanson/Bush motion to approve and to also dispose of remaining 3 blades; carried.**

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2. Discuss/possible action re: Replacement of the Town Hall Handicapped Ramp- A motion to approve a quote for the replacement of the handicapped ramp at a cost of \$3870; approved. Chair Jensen asked if ramp will meet ADA requirements. Supv Hanson stated it will.

K. **A Hanson/Koalska motion to adjourn at 8:23 p.m.; carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Jeannette Atkinson
Clerk/Treasurer