

January 8, 2009 at 7:30 P.M.

Regular Monthly Board Meeting, Town of Rusk, Rusk County, Wisconsin

The regular monthly board meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.m. by Chairman Steven Zmrazek, Supervisors Melvin Vana, Kenneth Styer was present along with Treasurer Donna Matus and Clerk, Joanne L. Spenle.

All bills presented, audited and paid as per attached check # and payee.

Minutes from the December 11, 2008 meeting were read. No motion was made or seconded to accept the minutes as read.

Treasurer's report was read:

Balance Forward.....	\$ 31,162.30	Checking account	\$17,704.15
Disbursements.....	(13,751.43)		
Deposits.....	299.53	Money Market	\$ 62,224.25
Checking Interest.....	13.75		
Misc debit – stamp	20.00	Total available	\$79,928.40
BALANCE ON HAND...	\$17,704.15		

Kenneth Styer made a motion to accept the treasurers report as read. Steven Zmrazek seconded the motion, motion carried.

Assessor report: Public questioned how the assessor was getting paid. It was reported that she is receiving \$1,409.72 per month which was the option in the contract that the board selected. It was announced that the date of open book for 2009 is set for Wednesday, April 22, 2009 at 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. The Board of Review is set for Monday, May 11, 2009 at 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. There were numerous comments made by the public. One question was asked as to where the figures came from that were used for the assessment. Chairman Zmrazek explained that real estate sales figures were taken from 2007 as required by law and other figures are predicated by the state.

1. Road 50 update. Progress report given by the Clerk, wherein Attorney Koehler who represents the town has scheduled a telephone conference on Friday, January 9, 2009 with the Judicial Assistant regarding the Barger matter.
2. Buck Lake Sportsman Club picnic license. Steven Zmrazek made a motion to approve the license for Sunday, February 22, 2009. Melvin Vana seconded the motion to approve. Motion carried.
3. The casualty liability insurance obtained through the state of Wisconsin for renewal was presented. After discussion, It was agreed by the Board to continue the insurance.

Steve Zmrazek made a motion to continue the casualty insurance, Melvin Vana seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Zmrazek presented the Annual Joint Powers Agreement for 911 services for the town of Rusk. Agreement was signed by Steven Zmrazek and mailed to the Sheriff's Department by the Clerk.

Tom Tuttle owner of property on Sunrise Point Drive sent a letter regarding his opposition to his recent property assessment, was read by Chairman Zmrazek. No action taken.

An agreement by TK inspections, a private building inspection firm was presented. The state is currently contracting with private companies to conduct building inspections for the town. Bill Ziegler explained the reason why the board got the proposal and commented on the letter. It was the consensus of the board to not go to a private inspector but to continue with the State program.

Chairman Zmrazek announced that the ten year federal census is coming up and the town residents will be contacted for the 2010 census. No action required.

It was further reported that the Town of Rusk only has 1 year left to work on a Smart growth plan for the town to comply with State legislation.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Melvin Vana, Seconded by Kenneth Styer. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted
Joanne L. Spenle, Clerk