

TOWN OF RUSK

2015 ANNUAL MEETING of the TOWN ELECTORS

Date: April 21, 2015
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Town of Rusk Hall, N207 County F, Chetek, WI
Present: Chairman Lisa Dobrowolski, Supervisors Steve Styczynski and Steve Zmrazek, Clerk Anne Konvicka, Treasurer Donna Matus, and 5 Town Residents.

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Chairman Dobrowolski, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.

Motion by Everett Hedrington, 2nd by Lisa Dobrowolski:

Matters that come up at this annual meeting to be voted on by ballot.

Yes votes — 7 No votes — 2 Abstained — 1

Motion carried.

1) Approval of the April 17, 2014 Annual Meeting Minutes

Motion by Steve Zmrazek, 2nd by Steve Styczynski:

Approve Minutes as presented.

Yes votes — 10 No votes — 0 Abstained — 0

Motion carried.

2) Discussions/Actions:

- Reviewed the Annual Report
- Discussion regarding requests for documents from the Clerk. Ray Scott stated that a person is not required to make such requests in writing at any level of government in Wisconsin.
- Discussion regarding “public records access” item on town website. Lisa Dobrowolski asked that Clerk add the words “under construction” to this new, unfinished web page.
- Discussion re: how Town of Rusk elected officials are currently unable to receive any monetary compensation when attending government-related meetings beyond the Town Board’s own scheduled meetings. Only a Town Meeting has authority to change this policy.

Motion by Everett Hedrington, 2nd by Katie Daubner:

If elected officials attend meetings pertaining to town government, they will be eligible to collect a per diem of \$20.00/day.

Yes votes — 9 No votes — 1 Abstained — 0

Motion carried

- Discussion about Town Supervisors’ pay. It has been a long time since the rate of pay for the three supervisor positions has been raised. Ray Scott stated that, per Wisconsin Statute, any such raise must be in place before Jan. 1st of an election year (odd-numbered years), and such raise would take effect at the start of the next new term (April of that year). Would be more practical to establish any new rates of pay at 2016 Annual Meeting.
- Discussion about a Town’s option to combine Clerk and Treasurer positions, which are prescribed in Wisconsin Statutes to be separate unless a Town Meeting votes to change it.

Motion by Jerry Kalal, 2nd by Everett Hedrington:

Town of Rusk shall keep the Clerk and Treasurer jobs separate.

Yes votes — 9 No votes — 0 Abstained — 1
Motion carried

3) Set date for the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Town Electors

Next Annual Meeting will convene at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at Town Hall, which is the default date for the Annual Town Meeting, per Wisconsin statute. (No motion is necessary to hold the Annual Meeting on the default date.)

4) General observations:

- Talked about picking up beer bottles near Town Hall and Shed.
- Talked about propane tank at Hall. When the gas level was checked recently, you could smell propane. There was a leak 2 years ago and it was repaired. Steve Styczynski will put some soap on it and see if it is leaking.
- Talked about capping off the old gas line from the cook stove inside Town Hall.
- Furnace room in Hall needs a new light bulb.

5) Adjournment

Motion by Steve Styczynski, 2nd by Lisa Dobrowolski:

To now adjourn the Annual Town Meeting (8:04pm)

Yes votes — 10 No votes — 0 Abstained — 0
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Anne Konvicka
 Clerk – Town of Rusk