

TOWN OF RUSK

MINUTES – BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING

Date: Thursday May 14, 2015
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Rusk Town Hall: N709 CTH "F", Chetek, WI
Present: Lisa Dobrowolski, Steve Styczynski, Steve Zmrazek,
Donna Matus, Anne Konvicka and 4 residents.

1. Meeting was **called to Order** at 7:09 pm
2. **Roll call** was taken and followed by Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence
3. **Minutes Approved** (from Board of Supervisors meetings of April 9th, 16th, & 21st, 2015)
Motion by Steve Styczynski; 2nd by Lisa Dobrowolski – Motion carried
4. **Treasurer's Report**
Motion to approve by Steve Styczynski; 2nd by Steve Zmrazek – Motion carried
5. **Citizens' Comments / Concerns**
Topics: residents' fire number signs; Town Hall landscaping, roofing and siding
6. **Town Roads**
 - a. **Chip Seal Plans** – County's per-mile price for chip-sealing to be determined Mon. May 18th at their bid opening. This will determine County's 2015 price for chip-sealing of Plummer Road.
 - b. **Timetable for Bid Work** (Horseshoe Lake Rd. and County Line Rd.) – Antczak commenced the frost boil work today. Waste dirt to be spread on shoulders of Horseshoe Lake and Hogback roads. School bus and ambulance services are notified. New boils also marked, discussed.
 - c. **Additional Culverts** – Replacement culverts needed on Public Landing and Buck Lake roads; both locations are marked and culverts are on order from County. Styczynski getting various installation price quotes. May schedule extra Board meeting if decision needed before June meeting.
 - d. **Signage Ordered / Installation** – Delivery is expected soon on various safety, directional, and identification signage from Rent-a-Flash. Installation will occur throughout summer.
 - i. **New Fire Number(s) requested** – Reviewed town policy that one fire number sign is included with the price of a building permit. A couple of years ago the County indicated goal to bring all fire number signs up to latest standard, but there is no deadline. Property owners wishing to replace their sign at their own expense may do so – Lisa will coordinate with Rent-a-Flash to invoice such individuals directly.
 - ii. **Ordinance re: monetary penalty for defacing or stealing traffic signs** – Discussion regarding how to set/enforce fines for such vandalism. If an ordinance were passed, stickers (avail. at Rent-A-Flash) could be added to each sign in the town.

- e. **Grading of Private Driveway** – Property owner inquired about paying the Town to grade his/her lengthy driveway once a year. Discussion centered on: if town does this for one person it will have to be prepared to offer it to everyone. Since that is not practical, the response was no, we cannot do this.
- f. **Town of Strickland grading** – Our quote was the winning one at T.O. Strickland’s April meeting. We’ve already done several hours’ grading work for them. Clerk being provided with an expense sheet tracking man and machine hours so she can invoice Strickland.
- g. **IOH Permit** – This new law is still in flux. Board determined to take no action yet.

7. Old Business

- a. **Building Permit/Building Inspector Ordinances: Revisions** – Discussion re: parameters of current permit and ordinance & proposed revised language to cover utility work (electrical and plumbing) in most circumstances. Updates to Fee structure were also discussed. Lisa will continue research and will talk with TOR building inspector Jim Heldstab.
- b. **Barger Lawsuit** – Next scheduling conference (for judge, attorneys) is 8a Mon., June 8, 2015, in Ladysmith.

8. New Business

- a. **Policy re: Alternative Forms of Sworn Testimony at BOR Hearings** – New state rules permit *any* property owner to testify by telephone, written statement, etc. (not only those with disability/ medical exception), IF the town board passes resolution permitting it. Discussion regarding pros and cons of allowing for such new instances of alternative testimony. *Motion by Steve Zmrazek; 2nd by Lisa Dobrowolski that Town of Rusk will not adopt an action allowing alternate forms of sworn testimony at BOR for these new instances. – Motion carried.*
 - b. **Municipal Clerks Assn. membership** – *Motion by Steve Styczynski; 2nd by Steve Zmrazek, to renew Town of Rusk clerk’s membership in Municipal Clerks Assn. – Motion carried.*
 - c. **Operator License** for Tammy Armour – Application not yet received. No action taken.
9. **Future Agenda Items** – Ordinance allowing for ongoing payment of town’s credit card bill by its due date, which is before the monthly Board meeting.
10. **Approve & Pay Monthly Bills** – *Motion by Lisa Dobrowolski; 2nd by Steve Styczynski to approve and pay the bills as presented. – Motion carried.*
11. **Adjournment** – *Motion by Steve Styczynski; 2nd by Steve Zmrazek to adjourn. – Motion carried.*
Meeting adjourned at 9:20pm