

# TOWN OF RUSK

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## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** Thursday, December 17, 2015  
**Location:** Rusk Town Hall: N709 CTH "F", Chetek, WI  
**Present:** Lisa Dobrowolski, Steve Styczynski, Steve Zmrazek, Anne Konvicka, Donna Matus & 4 residents.

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1. Meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm
2. Roll call was taken, followed by Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence
3. -Motion by Steve S.; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Z. to dispense with reading of Nov 12<sup>th</sup> Mtgs. Minutes. – Motion carried.  
-Motion by Steve Z.; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve S. to approve Board of Supervisors Monthly Mtg. Minutes (Item C) as presented. – Motion carried.  
-Motion by Steve S.; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Z. to approve Special Town Meeting of Electors Mtg. Minutes (Item B) as presented. – Motion Carried.  
-Motion by Lisa; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Z. to approve Public 2016 Budget Hearing Minutes (Item A) as presented. – Motion carried.
4. Treasurer's Report  
Motion by Steve Z., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve S. to approve Report as presented. – Motion carried.
5. Citizens' Comments / Concerns
  - Sheriff or a deputy plans to attend Town Meetings occasionally to facilitate communication.
  - Discussion re: how Town adding a backhoe to its equipment roster would help with winter road work and numerous other projects

Action may be taken on any of these items.

6. Town Roads
  - a. Certified Highway Plat / WISLR reports  
Lisa received confirmation that State has timely received this year's completed reports.
  - b. TRIP Awards 2016/'17  
Town of Rusk was awarded \$19,738.29 in TRIP funds toward the blacktopping of one-half mile of County Line Rd., south of Hogback Rd. (*currently gravel*)
  - c. TAP Program Grants application season (Transportation Alternatives Program)  
This is awarded by Madison; deadline is Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>  
Lisa will contact the local rep re: whether we may have a qualifying project
    - i. Legislative update from Madison  
Lisa shared a Wisc. Towns Assn. alert re: AB-582, which the WTA believes would significantly limit local regulation of land use through changes in vested rights, among other things. On behalf of the Board, Lisa will email Assembly officials.
  - d. Barron Electric ROW Maintenance Notice  
Rusk Township will be among first ones to see this tree trimming near electric lines.
  - e. Road Work done past month — No grading or plowing occurred in November.
  - f. Truck maintenance

New tires were put on & pre-winter maintenance is complete. We do maintenance for wear & tear items. Need to plug in truck when it's parked now.

- g. Salt/Sand supplies; Winter Road Maintenance (*incl. areas of special note*)

The County is our regular supplier of salt/sand this season, with Antzcak our backup source when time is short. A Sunrise Point resident requests we plow that road after heavy snow in time for their daily 5a departure time for critical medical appointment.

- h. End Loader-type equipment – consider purchasing

Per Steve S.'s research, each Supervisor received a mailed proposal from Miller-Bradford & Risberg (Eau Claire) for a used 2000 model Case 580SL backhoe. Board discussed this being a very useful piece of equipment year-'round, starting with saving money & time in getting and using salt/sand on Town roads. Steve S and possibly Lisa will go to see the Backhoe very soon. Sufficient cash for quoted price is available.

## 7. New Business

- a. Operator's Licenses for Jodi Leitel

*Motion by Steve Z and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve S to approve. – Motion carried.*

- b. Amend 2015 Budget (*e.g. add'l revenue from Town of Strickland*)

Budget Resolution 2015-05, to add \$3,825 to the Income side of the Town of Rusk's 2015 Budget, was read aloud.

*Motion to approve by Steve Z., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lisa. – Motion carried.*

- c. Election Officials Appointments, 2016/'17 (*poll workers*)

Discussion regarding how many we would need for 2016's four scheduled elections.

*Motion by Steve Z. and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lisa to approve Poll Workers and Inspectors\* for 2016/'17 as follows: Barb Knutson, Kathy Seilheimer\*, Mary Ellen Styer, Agnes Styczynski, Tom Creviston, Dave Blasko, Ray Scott, Teresa Olejniczak\*, Dona Matus and Rita Shellito. – Motion carried.*

## 8. Old Business

- a. County follow-up (*health hazard calls*)

Lisa said she was cc'd on letters sent by Rusk County's Environmental Health Specialist to two Town of Rusk residents re: human health hazard complaints received. Both have been investigated by County official, & instructions/info forwarded to the residents.

## 9. Future Agenda Items

- Amend 2016 Budget to increase Capital Outlay line item, corresponding adjustments.
- Purchase of a used Backhoe
- Plans for the February 16<sup>th</sup> Primary Election

## 10. Approve & Pay Monthly Bills

*Motion by Steve Z. and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve S. to approve and pay cks #11862 – 11888, also EFT payments for monthly FICA and Intuit Payroll. – Motion carried.*

## 11. Adjournment

*Motion by Steve S. and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Z to adjourn the meeting at 8:35pm. – Motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted by Anne Konvicka, Clerk – Town of Rusk