# Town Board Meeting Minutes January 6, 2014 at the Rockland Town Hall Called to order by Chairman Cashman at 7:30 p.m. Adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

The Clerk and all Town Board members were present. The Treasurer was excused. Also present were Bob Gerbers and Steve Gander. Clerk Charette verified that the meeting was properly noticed; the agenda was presented after the pledge of allegiance was recited.

## Approval of Minutes from December 16, 2013 Town Board Meeting

M/M by Chairman Cashman to approve the December 16, 2013, Town Board meeting minutes as presented; seconded by Supervisor Van Vonderen. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

#### **Maintenance Assessment Contract**

Clerk Charette provided the Board with a copy of the current contract with the Assessor along with a sample of the contract drafted by the Wisconsin Town's Association and the Department of Revenue assessors. Discussion was had regarding whether worker's compensation insurance should be required under any new contract versus allowing the contracted Assessor to be covered under the Town's policy. The Board recommended that Clerk Charette speak with Rural Insurance and the Town's attorney to review the risk to the Town either way. It was also recommended that Clerk Charette research what other municipalities are requiring on this issue.

## **Building/Zoning Update**

Bob Gerbers reported that no permits were issued in December.

He also reported that there were eleven new homes built in 2013. A total of forty one permits were issued in 2013 which included the eleven new homes. Gerbers recently issued a building permit for a new home for Old Military Road.

It was reported that there are a number of parked cars located on the property at 5131 CTH PP. Gerbers will check this out. Gerbers also to check on Robert Servais property to inquire when the old shed will be torn down per the conditions of the granted variance.

#### Chairman's report

Chairman Cashman reported that the traffic signs from TAPCO were received last week. He will be obtaining the bids on installation but they will not be installed until the weather cooperates.

## **Planning Commission Update**

Supervisor Van Vonderen reported that the next meeting is scheduled for next Tuesday, January 14th at 7:00 p.m. at the town hall which will include ordinance review and fire sign address update.

### **Wind Siting Update**

Supervisor Schwalbach reported that he has been attempting to set up a meeting with Representative Ribble to discuss the possibility of obtaining money from the federal government for epidemiological studies.

### **Announcements and Distribution of Correspondence:**

Clerk Charette distributed a brochure from the UW Extension, Local Government Center. Supervisor Schwalbach requested to attend the January 15, 2014, webinar on State Programs Update. The Board reviewed the WTA District meetings and informed the Clerk of which ones they were attending. Clerk Charette passed along the 2014 Snow plowing rates from Brown County so that the Board could compare the increase in rates

from 2014 to 2013 rates. Clerk Charette informed the Board of the next Municipal Court date and also informed them of the WTA Town meeting that the Town is hosting at the Swan Club on Thursday, January 23, 2014.

### Items for future meetings

Planning Commission update- February, Assessor Contract- February; Treasurer Report- next meeting.

#### **Public comment**

Steve Gander expressed his personal opinion that it would be wrong for the Town to require an independent contractors to carry worker's compensation insurance.

## **Voucher for Approval**

Clerk Charette provided the Voucher for Approval through January 6, 2014.

M/M by Chairman Cashman to pay the voucher in the amount of \$1,302,054.97 for checks #8346 through #8380 with five voided checks; seconded by Supervisor Van Vonderen. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

### Adjournment

M/M by Chairman Cashman to adjourn at 8:27p.m.; seconded by Supervisor Van Vonderen. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

All minutes have been taken truthfully and honestly and to the best of my knowledge and ability.

Jann B. Charette, Town Clerk

Minutes approved as written / with corrections (strike one) by the Town Board on Monday, January 20, 2014.

Dennis J. Cashman Town Chairman