

Town Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 20, 2014 at the Rockland Town Hall
Called to order by Chairman Cashman at 7:30 p.m.
Adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

The Clerk, Treasurer, and all Board members were present along with other members of the public. Clerk Charette verified that the meeting was properly noticed; the agenda was presented after the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Minutes from October 6, 2014, Town Board meeting

M/M by Chairman Cashman to approve the minutes from October 6, 2014, Town Board meeting as presented; seconded by Supervisor Van Vonderen. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Minutes from October 14, 2014, Budget workshop meeting

M/M by Chairman Cashman to approve the minutes from October 14, 2014, Budget Workshop meeting as presented; seconded by Supervisor Schwalbach. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Town Hall Snow Removal and Salting Proposals

Clerk Charette noted that the request for snow removal and salting services proposals was published in the Green Bay Press Gazette on October 5th and October 12th. It was also posted at the Town's three usual locations and on the website. The Board received one snow removal and salting services proposal from Carter Trucking & Excavating. Carter's proposal was as follows:

Snowplowing services = \$60.00/hour. Estimated time to complete this work = 45 minutes.

Salting services = \$45.00 trip charge plus \$100.00/per ton for salt. Estimated salt usage = 1/3 ton of salt. Total salting charge = \$79.00.

M/M by Supervisor Van Vonderen to approve the proposal from Carter Trucking & Excavating for snowplowing and salting services for the 2014 winter season; seconded by Supervisor Schwalbach. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Discussion on options to govern Implements of Husbandry and Agricultural Commercial Vehicles

Chairman Cashman reported that the Town has to make a decision to opt in or opt out by January 15, 2015. There are 6 different options that the Town can choose to take. Supervisor Schwalbach will be attending training on Implements of Husbandry next week at the Wisconsin Towns Association Convention. This item will be on the next Board meeting agenda.

Chairman's Report

Chairman Cashman reported that 1) Dick's Lawn Cutting will begin cutting ditches today; 2) Carter Trucking has completed filling the pot holes on the town roads; 3) The town hall exterior parking lot lights and interior emergency exit lights will be installed by the end of this week; 4) Greenleaf Greenscapes will finish the landscaping around the town hall this week; 5) Carter Trucking will dig out and repair the three cracked cement blocks in front of the entry to town hall later this week; 6) He has completed the certification of roadways report due to the Department of Transportation; and 7) No election signs should be greater than 16 square feet in size.

Planning Commission Report

No report.

Comprehensive Plan Report

Supervisor Van Vonderen reported that the Comprehensive Plan meeting for tomorrow night has been canceled to allow Aaron Schuette more time to prepare the next chapters for review.

Wind Siting Report

Supervisor Schwalbach provided the Board with a copy of a memorandum dated October 14, 2014, from the Brown County Board of Health designating the Duke Energy's Shirley Wind Farm as a hazard to human health. The memorandum indicates this finding was based upon a year-long study documenting acoustic emissions from the wind turbines including infrasound and low frequency noise inside homes within a radius of 6 miles of the Shirley Wind turbines.

Supervisor Schwalbach also reported that an August 18, 2014, study found that the inner ear hair cells are affected by the low frequency noise from wind farms.

Supervisor Schwalbach stated that the Wind Siting Report due to the legislature will be finalized this Wednesday. The Minority Report will be an appendix to that report.

Announcements and Correspondence-

Clerk Charette provided the following to the Board: 1) an updated Brown County Public Works 4th quarter schedule; 2) a press release from the Brown County Clerk stating that No Photo ID is required; 3) a memorandum on the Project Vote Challenge Award; 4) a memorandum from the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection regarding the Farmland Preservation Program and Hegwood v. Town of Eagle Board of Appeals decision.

Treasurer Van Dyck reported that the rates for recycling will remain the same this month and that the new scale has been installed at the recovery station.

Items for future meetings-Implements of Husbandry ordinance; Agri-Business Ordinance; Municipal Code Ordinance; Cell Tower Ordinance; budget.

Public comment-

None

Cash Flow Analysis- October

Clerk Charette provided a projected end of year cash flow analysis to the Board indicating that in most categories expenses are under budget for the year.

Approval of Voucher in Payment of Bills

Clerk Charette provided the Voucher to the Board. Chairman Cashman noted that he has some questions regarding the Brown County Public Works statement of expenditure for September. He recommended holding off paying check #8731 until he has the opportunity to clarify the charges on this statement.

M/M by Chairman Cashman to approve checks #8727-8737 with the exception of #8731 for a total of \$9,689.33 with no void checks and one online payment; seconded by Supervisor Van Vonderen. Motion carried by voice vote.

Adjournment

M/M by Chairman Cashman to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 p.m.; seconded by Supervisor Van Vonderen. Motion carried 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, November 3, 2014.

Dennis J. Cashman
Town Chairman