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Dennis Cashman – Chairman
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**Town Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 4, 2018, at the Rockland Town Hall
Called to order by Chairman Cashman at 7:30 p.m.
Adjourned at 8:40 p.m.**

The Clerk, Treasurer, and all members of the Board were present along with Steve Gander, Terry Vertz, Bob Gerbers, Joey Bratz, Judy Hodel, Rick Loppnow (Chairman of Town of Glenmore) and Tom Collins (Wrightstown Spirit). The Clerk verified that the meeting was properly noticed; the agenda was presented after the pledge of allegiance was recited. Please note a change to the agenda to correct number 6 to cite a 4 Way stop at the intersection at Morrison Road and School Roads, not Tower Road.

Minutes from August 6, 2018, Town Board meeting

No corrections were noted, M/M by Chairman Cashman to approve the August 6, 2018 Town Board meeting minutes as presented; seconded by Supervisor Lasee. Motion carried.

Minutes from August 6, 2018, Public Hearing RE: Janssen

No corrections were noted, M/M by Supervisor Lasee to approve the August 6, 2018 Public Hearing minutes as presented; seconded by Supervisor Meeuwsen. Motion carried.

4 Way stop at Morrison and School Roads

Chairman Loppnow from the Town of Glenmore appealed to the board that he's lived close to that location and he's always considered it a dangerous intersection. Recently a resident witnessed a close call at 55 mph. Something should be done at this intersection and since Glenmore and Rockland each have segments of the intersection, a cooperative effort would be the best scenario. Many options including rumble strips were discussed. The final decision was to change the intersection from a 2-way stop to a 4 way stop, with Stop ahead signs and flags on the posts.

M/M by Supervisor Lasee to change the intersection to a 4 way stop, and add stop ahead signs and flags with the cooperation of the Town of Glenmore. Chairman Cashman 2nd. Motion carried.

Tetzlaff Road Construction

Carter started excavation last week. The Grinder went through and pulverized the old chip seal. Wayne then graded it out. They will be hauling gravel the next 2 days getting it up to grade. An adjustment needed to be made at Lynda Tetzlaff's driveway and any removed concrete will be poured to match up to the new higher shoulder. The plan is to chip seal on Friday/Saturday this week weather permitting. The gravel costs are right where they should be. Soil removed for the widened road bed will be used to backfill against the higher roadbed.

Old Martin Road Bridge

Caulking was finished two weeks ago. All the supervisors looked at the work and it looked much improved. Carter will change out the guardrail posts within the next month. The County has used posts available for \$1 each, hardware not included. Glenmore Chairman Loppnow stated that Glenmore had used some of these and the quality was very good.



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Speed Limits on Big Valley Road

Chairman Cashman talked to the County and by the end of the week, the reduced speed limit signs should be in place. Jay Graetz did the trimming in the right of way and will clear up some debris that hangs in the right of way. Joey Bratz, 3486 Eiler Road, asked if the traffic study was done. Chairman Cashman replied that the County informed us that we could act on that speed reduction on our own, but would need to be limited to a 10 MPH increment. The entire length of Big Valley will be reduced since the road is short. A change in speed limit would require that 4 signs be installed: one at each end, and two on either side of Eiler Road.

Update on New Plank Road South

The supervisors met on site this evening at 6:30 along with Bob Gerbers and Julie Koenig. Chairman Cashman had requested CQM mark the boundaries prior to this site meeting. There is 66' of road right of way per the most recent survey done. Chairman Cashman contacted Gail Fischer and Bobby Holiday was in California. The gate and fence of Fischer is in Town property, as is half of the turnaround on the Holiday property. Clerk Koenig will research to be sure nothing was changed since 2006/2007 in the town files. The posts and chains on the Holiday property were intended to keep unwanted traffic from coming to the end of the cul-de-sac, however it also impedes the garbage trucks, school buses, fire trucks and snow plows. This has become an issue of public safety. Supervisor Lasee suggested the town send Bobby a letter regarding the posts/chains being in the public right of way, and another to Gail about the fence and gate being in the public right of way. Chairman Cashman will try to meet with the ladies this weekend. Clerk Koenig will draft the letters.

Salt Mine Strike

Clerk Koenig shared the terms of the contract sent by the Wisconsin DOT. The contracted rate is 68.05/ton for salt. Clerk Koenig spoke with Wayne Carter about how much to order for early delivery in September; Mr. Carter suggested 150 tons. Jay Graetz has also ordered 100 tons of salt and has offered to sell some to the Town if it's needed. Chairman Cashman will talk to him about the price as well as when he will be receiving the salt.

REPORTS / UPDATES PRESENTED:

Building Inspector's Report

Two permits were issued in August: one for a remodel including an office and a family room, another for a storage shed. In addition, payment was direct deposited from the Quarry for the third blasting, so Mr. Gerbers included it this month.

Mr. Gerbers stopped and spoke with Rita VanderLinden who will undergo shoulder surgery mid-September. Because of the way the estate is set up, a signature from one of the children is needed before she can sell any of the farm. She has a buyer and will use the proceeds to hire someone to clean up the barns. Until she can secure the signature from the fourth child, she can afford to do nothing. She has hauled some metal out, including autos and auto parts. Chairman Cashman and Mr. Gerbers will stop by to talk with her again. Conversation turned to other properties with buildings down and whether they should all be contacted regarding their structures. Because there have been complaints regarding this property, action is being taken.



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Chairman's report – Chairman Cashman

- Rain & flooding has closed Wrightstown Road. Paul Fontecchio from Brown County contacted Chairman Cashman to tell him an inspection would be needed before the road could reopen. The county will conduct that inspection and share any concerns.
- CTH ZZ in the Town of Wrightstown closed because part of the road washed away with the recent storms.
- A culvert on Shirley Road just east of CTH W was recently examined as it seems it is caving in and getting bad.
- The stop sign at Glenrock & Ledgecrest is falling over.
- There is also a pothole on Old Military in front of 3419 in the center of the road that needs repair.

Treasurer's report – Mary Van Dyke

Mary presented the Treasurer's report and reviewed the account status of all. The balance available between all accounts is \$370,724.69. The August tax settlement was \$129,996. Mary will complete the Recycling Grant application this month. The Hickory Ridge loan payment is taken automatically each month.

M/M by Chairman Cashman to accept the financial report as presented by Treasurer Van Dyke. Supervisor Lasee seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Announcements and Distribution of Correspondence received, if any

Clerk Koenig has been contacted by the Village of Ashwaubenon with regard to properties in Brown County that have been available for rent, but taxes on the rental were not collected. They have identified these properties through a piece of software called STR helper. (STR = Short Term Rentals) There was only one property in the Town of Rockland that was listed. At a minimum, these properties are required to have a health department license and may require additional licensing depending on local regulations. Clerk Koenig researched the property to find that it doesn't appear it is being offered for rent at this time. Koenig will draft a letter informing the property owner that if they wish to offer their rental next year, there are steps they'll need to go through to make that a safe and viable option.

Treasurer Van Dyke indicated that she has received a Recycling Municipal Agreement for grant purposes. That will be executed shortly. Also the Transfer station will be taking a 2.38% increase next year. Harter's will be contacted to see how that will affect their rates.

Supervisor Lasee mentioned an article recently printed in the Press Gazette that there are municipalities that are planning to do away with dog licenses. Chairman Cashman said it would make his job extremely difficult when dealing with strays. Currently, if there is a number on the dog, it can be placed back home anywhere within the county.

Chairman Cashman said that many of our neighboring municipalities are allowing the use of UTV's on roadways. Glenmore is in the process of writing their ordinance to allow. Presently, Wrightstown, Holland, Eaton, and Morrison all have them. Chairman Loppnow stated that because there is so much farming in Glenmore, they felt it was the thing to do.



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Newsletter articles are due Friday, 9-7-18

Public comment

Steve Gander, 5584 STH W, mentioned that there are many power parachutes flying overhead. He noted that if he saw any remote control drones or RC planes overhead, he would shoot them down.

Items for future meetings

A closed meeting was set immediately following the TB meeting on 9-17-18 to discuss an employment for Robert Gerbers with the Town of Rockland
Public Hearing for ordinance updates re: 316 & DATCP
New Plank Road, South
Guard posts on Old Martin
Set preliminary budget meeting for 2019

Voucher in Payment of Bills

M/M by Chairman Cashman to approve checks #10524 to 10562 for a total of \$26,321.28 with 4 voided checks #10523, #10557-10559 and 3 online payments; seconded by Supervisor Meeuwssen. Motion carried.

Adjournment

The next meeting will be Monday, September 17th at 7:30 pm.

M/M by Chairman Cashman to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.; seconded by Supervisor Lasee. Motion carried.

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

Julie Koenig
Town Clerk

Minutes approved as written / with corrections (**strike one**) by the Town Board on Monday, September 17, 2018.

Dennis J. Cashman
Town Chairman