

Town of Whitewater Town Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 12, 2014
7:00pm

Present: Lowell Hagen, Rodney Wilson, Norman Prusener, Carrie Hintz

The minutes of the January 23, 2014 special town board meeting were reviewed. Norm made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Rodney. The motion passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report was read.

Clerk report – None

Norm made a motion to accept the Treasurer's and Clerk's reports as read, seconded by Rodney. The motion passed unanimously.

1st Side Supervisor – Rodney had a couple of complaints on mailboxes being hit by snowplows. He looked at two, but they looked like they were hit from the top down by something else, not the snowplow.

2nd Side Supervisor – None

Chairman – None

Sheriff's Department Incident Report – Tim Otterbacher read report (see attached).

Minneiska Ski Team request – Ski Team President Cal Tomomitsu requested permission from the Town of Whitewater for practice and show times with the same schedule as last year. Norm asked if a sign can be put up before the Scattered Oaks association beach warning people that there is a show ahead. Norm made motion to approve request, seconded by Rod. Motion passed unanimously.

Buoy removal – Minneiska Ski Team would like to have their volunteers remove the Whitewater Lake buoys again this year. The date that would work for them is the Saturday after Labor Day, September 6, because they will also be having their annual picnic and will have volunteers available. The board is okay with this date because the safety patrol stops operating after Labor Day.

Krahn Drive Parking – Norm noted residents on Krahn Drive have been complaining of people parking in the road and blocking traffic because there isn't a lot of off-road parking. On the west side of the road there is room to park 3 vehicles with trailers. Norm made a motion to put "no parking on this side" on the east side of Krahn Drive, seconded by Lowell. Motion carried unanimously.

Winter parking signs on E. Lakeshore Drive – Norm suggested putting "no parking Nov. - March" signs in winter along the north end of E. Lakeshore Drive off of Highway P down to Cruse Lane on the road opposite the lake side. Tabled and Norm to talk to Jim Harmon about plowing issues.

Replacement plow truck – Rodney reported that he's found a few trucks that were over the \$32,000 budget and no one is budging on prices. The trucks that are within this price range aren't worth buying. Found an International with automatic transmission in Plover last weekend that is in great condition and doesn't need any work or accessories. It has a 9' wing and they are asking \$39,900 and would only go down to \$39,000. Rodney asked for \$40,000 to get a good truck that will last. Norm made a motion to increase the budget to \$39,000, seconded by Rodney. Motion passed unanimously. The board also

discussed needing a heavy-duty automatic 4-wheel drive truck in nice condition that we can put a plow on, but can take our time looking for that.

Other town business – Norm is wondering if we should write a letter to the DOT or DNR regarding the bridge on Wisconsin Avenue that is settling on both sides. Rodney will write the letter to be sent to the DOT.

Public input – Representative Janis Ringhand is currently in the State Assembly and is now running for a senate seat. Resident asked about the 4-lane road that was supposed to be put in from Elkhorn to Madison. Lowell noted that it's been authorized to go from Elkhorn to Whitewater and it was supposed to happen this year, but has been postponed. The state is focusing on the interstate from the state line to Janesville, which is a big project.

The board paid bills.

Norm made a motion to adjourn at 7:53pm, seconded by Rodney. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Carrie Hintz, Clerk/Treasurer