

Town of Whitewater Town Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 14, 2014

7:00pm

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

The minutes of the May 5, 2014 special town board meeting were reviewed. Norm made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Rodney. The motion passed unanimously.

Clerk report – Carrie read an email from Paul Sandgren of the DNR complimenting the work that Bob did branch chipping on State Park and Rice Lake Roads.

Treasurer report – Carrie read the account balances. Norm made a motion to accept the Clerk and Treasurer's reports as read, seconded by Rod. Motion passed unanimously.

1st Side Supervisor – Rod reported that brush cutting is done. Broom should be delivered this week so we can start work by early next week. Water issues with a few areas that need help. Bob scraped roads off this week and those areas will be addressed with ditching work this year.

2nd Side Supervisor – None

Chairman – None

Sheriff's Department Incident Report – Tim Otterbacher read report (see attached). Speed trailer will be moved to Whitewater Township early next week.

Operator license applications – Three new applicants applied for operator permits and will be working at the Whitewater Country Club. The board reviewed the applications and background checks for Evan Hoffman, Danielle Stowers, and Emily McCullick. Board also reviewed again Bradley Panek's application after declining it at the previous meeting. Norm made a motion to approve all four licenses, seconded by Rod. Motion passed unanimously.

Mailbox damage policy – Carrie created a snow plow mailbox damage policy with a maximum \$75 reimbursement as long as a town employee verifies that a plow hit the mailbox (not the weight of the snow causing the damage) and the original installation meet USPS specifications. There will also be a claim form for property owners and a log to track all complaints. Norm made a motion to accept the policy as written, seconded by Lowell. Motion passed unanimously.

2014 road work bids – The Board reviewed a project bid packet listing each specific project. Need to add Warner Road work and then can send to previous bidders, put on website, and publish in newspaper. All bids will be due at 7pm on Wednesday, June 11. Norm made a motion, seconded by Rodney. Motion passed unanimously.

Other town business – Rod reported that he looked at a water problem N7833 East Lakeshore Drive. In 2013 Gavers Pavers paved an approach / parking area at N7825 alongside town right-of-way and cut a foot into the road. Water is getting pushed back onto their property, but a lot of water is washing the gravel out of the N7833 property. After the rain on Monday there was damage at N7833 and now there is a "creekbed." The natural drainage handled all heavy rains over the past 40-50 years that the family has owned the N7833 property until the new concrete approach was installed at N7825. The town did not authorize any pavement to be put down there. Norm said the town will need to address issues where people block the culverts, direct water to their neighbors, or put concrete in town right-of-way. Town Board to go out and look at the N7833 and N7825 properties and then write a letter to N7825 to do whatever needs to be done to correct the situation. Will also send Gavers Pavers a letter stating that they

need authorization to perform this type of work in the future to ensure that the water is properly routed to the lake. Will put on agenda for June meeting.

Public Input – Resident suggested town look at Whitewater Wideband for reliable high speed internet provided by Town resident Brian Madl. Carrie will look into it when current provider contract is up.

Rod made a motion to adjourn at 7:51pm, seconded by Norm. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Carrie Hintz, Clerk/Treasurer