

Town of Whitewater Town Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 2, 2016
7:30am

Present: Lowell Hagen, Robert Strand, Norman Prusener, Carrie Hintz

Norm made a motion to amend the agenda to change item 5 to 8 and item 8 to item 5, seconded by Lowell. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes of the May 11, 2016 town board meeting were reviewed. Norm made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Bob. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjourn to Closed Session - Norm made a motion to move into closed session, seconded by Bob Strand. Motion passed unanimously. Called to order. Present: Lowell Hagen, Bob Strand, Norman Prusener, Carrie Hintz, Bob Harris

Roadman contract discussed.

Adjourn back to open Town Board Meeting.

Crack filling work –Bob spoke with Jeff at Crack Filling Service and he’s in the area the next couple of weeks. During our road work there were a few streets listed, but we didn’t put it out for bid. Crack Filling Service will charge \$1 per pound. Norm said that in previous years there were issues with their workers closing the entire town road instead of one lane at a time. Bob Strand would like to do crack filling on Townline Road from Hwy 89 to Brown Road first and Kettle Moraine to High Lo Road if money left. Norm made a motion to approve up to \$4,999 in crack filling, seconded by Bob. Motion passed unanimously.

2016 road bids – Four sealed bids were received from Scott Construction, Frank Bros, Wolf Paving, and Payne & Dolan. Board opened and read each bid. Board will review and made a decision at the June 8 town board meeting.

Safety Patrol Boat Motor – Norm said that wide open the boat doesn’t plane. We’ve had 5 different props on and none work. Sean thinks we only have about 100 hours on the motor, so it should be running well. The place we bought our Mercury motor said that maybe the issue is the boat. Last year the boat was out for 3 weeks because of electronics and last year it took a long time to plane as well. Norm said that another Mercury dealer, Patten’s Marine in Fort Atkinson, said he could test the motor to find the problem for a few hundred dollars. He doesn’t think it’s the boat, but the prop does have a lot to do with it. A new Mercury motor we can’t get until end of July. Bob said that Jeff at JNT could get a motor in a few days, but he’d also have to change wiring and controllers. When we bought the boat it had a 225hp, but it burnt out, but a 150hp should be able to move this boat according to the specs. Lowell said that Bob Harris took the boat out yesterday by himself and it planed and went up to speed. The boat manufacturer’s concern is that the engine weight not go over 540 pounds because it will damage the transom. JNT suggested that the 150hp is way too small. Lowell’s wondering if there is any warranty left on the motor. Norm made a motion to 1) have Sean and Bob Harris test ride together, 2) check if it’s still under warranty to take back to Newville, 3) if it’s not under warranty, then take it to Patten Marine for diagnosis. Motion seconded by Bob. Motion passed unanimously.

New cell phone for roadman – Lowell made the motion to either 1) purchase a new phone with the 2GB of data for under \$50 per month and it is to be used only for town business or 2) reimburse up to \$50 per month for Bob to purchase his own phone and plan, seconded by Bob. Motion passed unanimously.

Other town business – Lowell noted that the railroad will take care of the Woodward Road railroad crossing when they want and only do a limited number of feet from the railroad tracks. Norm and Bob said that we should fix our part of the road after the railroad does the work.

Bob Strand put a 10”x 20’ plastic \$49 liner in the existing 15” 40 foot culvert in front of Pete’s Tire. Then put 1” washed stone through the hole on top of the liner and patched it. Worked after this week’s rain.

Norm made a motion to adjourn at 9:06am, seconded by Lowell. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Carrie Hintz, Clerk/Treasurer