

## **TOWN OF TROY BOARD MEETING**

**November 14, 2017**

The regular town board meeting was called to order by chairman, Roger Mack, at 7:32 p.m., after the special town meeting, at the Town of Troy town hall.

Roll call was taken with the following responding: Roger Mack, Don Meise, Jeff Lohr, Lloyd E. Ballweg, and Mary Zins.

It was confirmed that the agenda was properly posted in three locations in the township and mailed to board members in compliance with the open meetings law.

Lohr made a motion, seconded by Mack, to adopt the agenda as posted. Motion carried 3-0.

### **Minutes:**

Meise made a motion, seconded by Mack, approving the minutes of the regular board meeting on October 10, 2017. Motion carried 3-0.

Mack made a motion, seconded by Lohr, approving the minutes of the special board meeting on October 21, 2017. Motion carried 3-0.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Meise made a motion, seconded by Lohr, approving accounts payable checks #7608-#7619 and ACH payments totaling \$17,181.35. Motion carried 3-0.

### **Citizen's Comments:**

Carol Weisensel thanked the board for having patrolman, Kyle Elliot, cut brush and small trees on Troy Village Road.

### **Patrolman's Report:**

In the absence of patrolman, Kyle Elliot, supervisor Meise gave the following update:

1. The patrolman has been cutting brush and scrub trees along various town roads.
2. He has been working on the grader, loader, and '95 truck.
3. Mixed the sand and salt and deposited it into the shed.
4. Kyle asked to have two days off using his banked hours to cover. The request was granted.

### **Business Items:**

Lohr made a motion, seconded by Mack, approving the 2018 budget as was presented at the budget hearing. Motion carried 3-0.

Corey Bass requested constructing a 48' x 64' outbuilding on Parcel #749-10000 (CSM #5002, Lot 1) located in Sec. 14, T9N, R5E.

With the recommended approval of the Plan Commission, Mack made a motion, seconded by Lohr, approving the building of the structure. Motion carried 3-0.

In the absence of Brent Harris, agent for Harris Insurance Agency, the board discussed the pros and cons of a treasurer's bond versus an ordinance exempting the board from said coverage. There have been changes to Wisconsin State Statute 70.67 which states the treasurer of each town, village, or city is to guarantee collection of property taxes by providing

a municipal bond or ordinance. The premium for the bond will be based on the county's apportionment to the township.

Lohr made a motion, seconded by Meise, passing Ordinance 11-14, Exemption from Treasurer's Bond. Motion carried 3-0.

A copy of the town attorney's letter dated October 16, 2017, was sent by the town clerk to all residents on Troy Village Road affected by the road issue. There were two options presented to them:

1. Option 1—the town makes the cul-de-sac a town road with the cost being passed on to the owners whose property has access to the new public street.
2. Option 2—the town transfers title of the cul-de-sac to the property owners and an easement is provided to those property owners.

The following favored Option 2: David and Deborah Cohen, Jeff and Jill Jahns, John McKnight, Everett and Carol Weisensel, and David Clutter/Meredith Porembski. Linda Roos/Mark Culverhouse approved Option 1. There was no response from Mary Burke.

Mark Culverhouse interpreted the attorney's letter to mean that the consensus must be unanimous. He also felt he would be paying taxes twice and declared that the town knows how to maintain town roads. Carol Weisensel pointed out that the cul-de-sac is an easement, not a road.

Mack will contact the town's attorney regarding the possibility of transferring the easement to one individual and if all property owners must favor option 2.

Lohr made a motion, seconded by Mack, to table any decision until the December board meeting. Motion carried 3-0.

There was discussion on whether the board should rent a skid loader for one year. Brad Anderson, representing McFarlane Mfg., stated the bucket would be included in the rental but recommended the board purchase a grapple which costs around \$2,500. The main concern for the board is a trailer for transporting the loader.

Lohr made a motion, seconded by Meise, to have the patrolman test the Kubota and Bob Cat loaders before any purchasing decision be made. Motion carried 3-0.

Mack made a motion, seconded by Meise, to table any decision on hiring Delmore Consulting until more information can be attained. Motion carried 3-0.

Meise updated the board on the following purchases: 400 T. screened sand from Kraemer's Helena pit; 50 T. dirty chips from Bindl Bauer; and 27 T. salt from Frontier FS in Prairie du Chien. Mack stated that Sauk County informed him that Greg Elsing could only sell sand for agricultural purposes which changed the board's plans. If such a transaction took place, Elsing and the town would be fined.

Mack, Meise, and Lohr will attend the W.T.A. district meeting in Hillpoint on Thursday, November 16.

Mack contacted the Town of Prairie du Sac's patrolman, Dick Nolden, regarding winter road maintenance and he felt something could be agreed upon. Their board meeting was being held the same evening as Troy's and the subject will be on their agenda.

Mack made a motion, seconded by Lohr, to transfer \$906.27 from the patrolman salary ledger account to the following in deficit: computer/internet, \$24.77; professional services,

\$451.00; legal, \$140.00; clerk expenses, \$26.52; election expenses, \$16.00; other insurance, \$248.00. Motion carried 3-0.

**Board Comments:**

Lohr asserted Scott Construction did a poor job on Williams Road because it is rippled. Mack will have Carl Thorsen examine the workmanship.

The Department of Natural Resources sent the town clerk approved permits for Ray Brickl's scrapes. The board felt the approved permits should be forwarded to the Plan Commission. The town clerk will submit them to Brian Hanson, Plan Commission chairman.

The remainder of the meeting was spent reviewing invoices and correspondence.

Lohr made a motion, seconded by Mack, to adjourn. Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Mary Zins, Clerk