

These are the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Town of Bass Lake, Sawyer County held on Monday, January 12, 2015. Members Present: Chairperson Justin Hall, Supervisors Dave Aubart, Ralph Meixner, Joel Valentin, Treasurer Kari Aderman and Clerk Warshawsky. Members Absent: Brian Bisonette.

Chairperson Justin Hall called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Clerk Warshawsky affirmed agenda was posted in compliance with open meetings law.

Motion by Aubart, seconded by Meixner to approve the consent agenda below less the April, 7, October 6, November 5 and December 1, 2014 Fire Department Meeting minutes and with the addition of "e. Fire Department Donation" under Fire Department:

- Approve Agenda
- Review and Approve Vouchers for December, 2014
- Minutes of the December 8, 2014 Regular Meeting
- Minutes of the December 8, 2014 Closed Session
- Minutes of the April 7, 2014 Fire Department Meeting - Revised
- Minutes of the October 6, 2014 Fire Department Meeting
- Minutes of the November 5, 2014 Fire Department Meeting
- Minutes of the December 1, 2014 Fire Department Meeting
- Minutes of the December 4, 2014 Planning Committee Meeting

Motion carried.

Hall reported that correspondence was received from Sawyer County Zoning approving the Conditional Use Permit application for Tall Pines Enterprises c/o Rick Rooney as submitted by the Town. Correspondence was received from Northern Lakes Cooperative informing all Cenex charge customers that signatures can no longer be provided on invoices that are included with statements.

Hall presented the Conditional Use Permit application for Claudia R. Burgan c/o Roberta Nugent. The permit is desired for the location of a small riding stable. The said parcel has historically been used for horses. Hall asked for the Planning Committee's decision. Warshawsky presented the decision (Valentin was absent from the Planning Committee meeting). Warshawsky reported that the Planning Committee approved with the following conditions:

1. Property is to be property fenced by July 1, 2015
2. Fencing must be maintained
3. Permit is for horses only
4. A limit of 4 horses
5. Horses must be kept behind the house
6. No boarding or renting of horses is allowed
7. Permit is for family use only
8. Signage is not allowed
9. Permit with conditions applies to Claudia R. Burgan c/o Roberta Nugent only.

Warshawsky reported that Roberta Nugent was present and agreed to the conditions. Hall asked Roberta Nugent to present her application. Nugent reported that she currently owns 2 horses. The horses have been on property since she has been there and she is trying to get fencing. Nugent reported that her mother sent letter to adjoining property owners in 2013 to get their land surveyed. Nugent stated that she does not want to put up fencing on someone else's property and added that her horses are not dangerous. Hall ask if anyone else would like to speak in favor – none; Opposed - Kim Metropolis spoke. Metropolis stated that she has owned the property next to Nugent's property since 2000. She did not have a problem with the horses. Metropolis is now renting to Teresa and Len Hammond. Metropolis stated that the new renters have 8 foster children with

disabilities. Metropolis said that she is OK with a fence, but stated that it is not neighbor's responsibility to get a survey. Metropolis reported that her father marked the property and Nugent was ok until now. Metropolis asked the Board how much fence will be required. Hall answered enough fence to handle 4 horses and expand. Hall stated that wherever there are horses, there needs to be proper fencing. Metropolis stated that she is ok with that. Discussion followed. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to approve with the conditions set by the Planning Committee. Motion carried.

Warshawsky reported that the draft of the Town of Bass Lake Comprehensive Plan has been reviewed by the Planning Committee and submitted to Northwest Regional Planning Commission. Once the final draft has been reviewed, it will be submitted to the Board for approval.

Fire Chief Jeffrey Peake presented the Fire Department Report. Peake reported that there were a few responses and mutual aid w/LCO last month.

Peake presented Barbara Tamberella's application to the Board. Tamberella is an advanced EMT and wants to become a firefighter. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Valentin to approve Tamberella as a member of the Fire Department. Motion carried.

Peake reported that Hugh Murtha will be the next Fire Department Secretary. The Board will consider the application next month.

Purchase Request - none

Peake reported that Tender 1 has a leaking valve. The valve needs to be replaced. Peake reported that it can take 3 weeks. Hall instructed Peake to take it in. Peake reported that they are waiting for Engine 1 waiting to get enough hours to do testing.

Peake reported that the Fire Department has applied for 2 grants and is working on paperwork for another grant that would cover 75% of the cost of a new building. Discussion followed. Hall told Peake to speak to Aubart. Hall asked when the grant application is due. Peake said that he is not sure.

Peake reported that training for entry level 3 is coming up, 3 or 4 members will be attending Fire II academy and members will be attending Hazmat training.

Peake reported that the Fire Department has received an offer of a projector and screen donation. The donor would like a letter of donation. Aderman stated that acceptance of a donation is at the discretion of the Board. Aderman stated that she could issue a letter for the value of the projector and screen. Murtha reported that the projector and screen are in good shape. Motion by Aubart, seconded by Valentin for the Fire Department to accept the donation of a projector and screen. Motion carried.

Highway crew Chief Truit Campbell presented the Highway Report. Campbell reported that the blades and wings on trucks 109 and 106 were replaced in December. They lasted 4 years. Campbell reported that during December he and Bob Krause tried to use their vacation time, but there were 2 snowfalls that required plowing. Campbell reported that the whole Town can be plowed in 10 hours.

Hall presented Dale Mrotek's application for part-time Highway Department Crew. Campbell reported that Mrotek will be the 4th for plowing. Discussion followed. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to approve Dale Mrotek as part-time Highway Department Crew. Motion carried.

Campbell presented the highway shop building update. Campbell reported that the building is complete. Discussion followed. Hall invited everyone to stop out. Discussion followed.

Hall reported that the Highway Department has some unused vacation time they would like to rollover. Motion by Valentin, seconded by Aubart to rollover vacation time and use everything over 40 hours by January 30, 2015. Motion carried.

Treasurer Kari Aderman presented the Treasurer's Report. Aderman reported that as of December 31, 2014, the Town has a total of \$1,332,699.91 in all of their accounts. The Clerk and Treasurer balanced for the month. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Valentin to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Clerk Erica Warshawsky presented the Clerk's Report. Warshawsky reported that there will be a primary on February 17, 2015 and the Spring Election will be held on April 7, 2015.

Hall reported that the Board reviewed the Ochu Road easement last month and decided not to take any action. Hall reported that a draft Quit Claim Deed was received from Duffy Law Office. Hall met with Jesse Suzan regarding the Ochu Road easement. Hall stated that the Board could grant the Quit Claim Deed to Michael and Roxanne Lantz and retain the 66' road right of way through the property. Lantz will cover all costs less the Town's attorney's fee. Hall asked the Board if they would like to accept and grant the Quit Claim Deed as presented or have Ward Winton review it. Discussion followed. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Valentin to approve the Quit Claim Deed with Winton's approval. Motion carried.

Hall reported that the loan for the highway building was approved last month. Discussion followed. Hall reported that phase 2 will begin next fall. Bidding will wait until August. Aderman reported that the loan is set up like a line of credit. The limit is \$150,000.00 and the Town can extend it into 2017.

Hall reported that Stage 2 (Phase 2) will begin in the fall and the loan is set up like a line of credit. Loan repayment will be discussed during budgeting.

Hall read Resolution No. 01-12-2015 (A) to Amend the 2014 Budget and Warshawsky read Attachment A. Motion by Aubart, seconded by Meixner to accept Resolution No. 01-12-2015 (A) to Amend the 2014 Budget. Roll call vote: Valentin – yes, Meixner –yes, Aubart – yes and Hall – yes. Motion carried.

Hall read Resolution No. 01-12-2015 (B) to Amend the 2015 Budget and Warshawsky read Attachment A. Motion by Valentin, seconded by Aubart to accept Resolution No. 01-12-2015 (B) to Amend the 2015 Budget. Roll call vote: Valentin – yes, Meixner –yes, Aubart – yes and Hall – yes. Motion carried.

Hall said that he would like to have a commercial building inspector look at the Fire Department building and inspect everything. Hall stated that we need to know what type of condition the building is in. Discussion followed. Meixner would like to spend less than \$750.00. Discussion followed. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to approve up to \$750.00 for a commercial building inspection. Peake stated that the inspector needs to know NRPA standards. Discussion followed. Motion carried

Hall presented the Operator License Application for Michelle block. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to approve the application. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to adjourn at 7:12 pm. Motion carried