

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, August 13, 2012. Members Present: Chairperson Justin Hall, Supervisors Dave Aubart, Ralph Meixner, John McCue, Doug Mrotek, Treasurer Kari Aderman and Clerk Erica Warshawsky.

Chairperson Hall called the meeting to Order at 6:30 pm

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

Motion by McCue, seconded by Mrotek to approve agenda listed below:

Approve Agenda

Review and Approve Vouchers for July, 2012

Minutes of the July 9, 2012 Regular Meeting

Minutes of the July 2, 2012 Fire Department Meeting

Motion carried

Hall reported correspondence was received from Sawyer County Zoning denying Rick Rooney's conditional use application, approving Janice Majich's variance application with conditions and denying Andris Baltins variance application. Mc Cue reported that James Taylor and Andris Baltins will be appealing to the Board of Appeals. Hall reported that correspondence was received from Dorothy Brueggen resigning from the Fire Department. Hall thanked her for her service. Hall reported that pictures were received with an anonymous note regarding a nuisance property on Lac Courte Oreilles. Hall will contact the property owner.

Highway Crew Chief, Truit Campbell gave the update on the park on Post and Poplar, Williams Park and Harvey Park. The woodchips are in at Harvey Park and the parking needs to be expanded. Campbell reported that people have already begun to enjoy it and it is handicapped accessible. Hall gave the Windigo Boat Landing update. The Town will receive the full amount from the DNR grant, which was previously reduced. Hall submitted a grant application to the County and the Town was awarded a \$5,000.00 grant. 6 applications were submitted and 3 were awarded. Treasurer Kari Aderman reported that with the grants, there is a total \$95,000.00 in the budget for the project. Warshawsky reported that an estimate for \$12,265.00 was received for the outhouse. Motion by McCue, seconded by Aubart to authorize Warshawsky to order the outhouse for the Windigo Boat Landing.

Aubart reported that the Roof/Building Committee met and concluded that there is a need for a new fire hall in the existing spot. The existing building is too small and it is not possible to add on. Aubart congratulated Fire Chief Marvin Mullet for submitting a good list and not requesting too much. The committee also looked at adding on to the highway shop. Aubart reported that it would cost around \$68,500.00. Aubart said Campbell did a good job at getting estimates. Aubart also reported that the pole building for the Fire Department would cost about \$150,000.00, which is less than half of what other townships have spent. Aubart said the Board needs to figure out what they want to do. The committee recommends doing something with both buildings. Hall said the maintenance building at the highway shop should be first. Meixner asked how big the new building would be. Campbell answered 42' wide x 50' long on the north side of the existing building. McCue asked about the existing shop. Campbell said that the Town would need to look at a new septic and well if a new building was constructed. Mc Cue expressed concern about putting a building on a building. Discussion followed. Hall asked if the Board wants to proceed. Mrotek thanked the committee and asked if there was any discussion for a separate building for cold storage, a stand-alone building instead of an addition to the highway shop. Discussion followed. The committee will bring a plan to the budget meeting. Aubart said that Campbell has pretty solid numbers. Dave will set the meeting date and it will be posted. Aubart asked Mullet to come Mc Cue asked to be included.

Mullet reported on the Fire Department picnic. Donations without expenses are around \$11,000.00. Mullet reported that Linn Newton resigned and that Campbell and Tom Kershaw will fill in as secretary until the January elections. Hall thanked Newton and asked Warshawsky to send a thank you note to Brueggen and Newton on behalf of the Board.

Campbell presented the Highway Report. The highway department has been working on trees, repairing potholes, grading and mowing. Hall asked Campbell to clear the right of ways after the first pass of mowing has been completed.

Hall reported that the Highway Department computer is broken and can't be repaired. Campbell presented options from Wal-Mart and Gadgets. The Gadgets model is a \$649.00 custom built computer. Campbell said that he doesn't see needing all that it offers. Aderman asked if software was on the Wal-Mart computers and Campbell answered yes. Motion by McCue motion for Campbell to purchase the \$498 Wal-Mart computer. Campbell added that it will cost \$60.00 for Gadgets to transfer the files from the old computer to the new one. Revised motion by McCue to stay under \$600.00, seconded by Aubart. Motion carried.

Campbell gave the Highline Road Project update. Today, Bob started cutting smaller trees. The Highway Department will be clearing trees. This Saturday they will grind and grade. Campbell said that start date is August 20, 2012. August 17, they will start pulverizing. Campbell said that he will contact the radio stations to do public service announcements. Discussion followed. Aderman asked if Windigo Boat landing should be closed because, it could be a problem. Aubart it will have to be marked "No Parking".

Campbell gave the Stone Lake Road Repair update. The road is graveled and has hardened up very well and ready for paving this fall.

Treasurer Aderman presented the Treasurer's Report. Aderman contacted Kay Winton regarding the donated lots. It will take a couple of hours at \$90.00/hr. Aderman asked the Board if they want to proceed. Motion by McCue, seconded by Mrotek to accept the donated lots by the Thornton's. Motion carried. Aderman reported that as of July 31, 2012, the Town has a total of \$565,092.39 in all of their accounts and that the Treasurer and Clerk balanced for the month. Motion by Meixner, seconded by McCue to accept the Treasurer's Report.

Clerk Warshawsky announced that the August Partisan Primary is tomorrow, August 14, 2012 and that the polls are open from 7:00 am – 8:00 pm.

Aubart gave the tornado warning siren update. Aubart talked to Federal Signal and was given different options. Aubart reported that at first, the best he could do was \$1,200.00 for the pole with Xcel, but after talking to them, Xcel will donate the pole. The siren will cost \$17,645.00 installed. Aubart said that payment cannot be delayed and delivery is running between 6 -8 weeks. Installation is done by a private contractor and they are not concerned about frost. Aubart reported that there will be a 4% increase in August or September. Hall said the Town budgeted \$15,000 for a new roof for the Fire Department. Hall suggested transferring the money to Fire Department equipment and figure an extra \$2,645.00. Mullet offered money from the Fire Department donation account and the Town can pay it back. Aubart said that Dan will contact Erica to make arrangements and Aubart will contact the Sheriff's Dept. Motion by McCue, seconded by Mrotek to purchase and install, saving the 4% and borrowing funds from the Fire Department donation account.

Warshawsky gave the Bass Lake website redesign update. Norvado hosts the website, but CCS maintains the website and has the domain name. Warshawsky will research further to see how the Town can get the domain name.

Hall presented the 3 options for the Harvey Park utility encroachment:

1. Leave it alone
2. Make him move it
3. Move at replacement.

Meixner said that he likes option 3. Motion by Meixner, seconded by McCue to keep the utilities where they're at and to move upon replacement. McCue asked how would that be tracked. Mrotek suggested sending a letter. Discussion followed. Hall will send a letter to Royal Brandt and cc the utility companies. Motion carried.

Warshawsky gave Board of Review update. The Board will meet on August 25, 2012 to adjourn the Board of Review to a later date due to the fact that the assessment roll is not complete at this time. It is anticipated that the Board of Review will be adjourned until the 6th day of October 2012 at 8:00 am – 10:00 am. The assessment roll for the Year 2011 assessment will be open for examination on the 28th day of September 2012 at the Bass Lake Town Hall, 14412 W County Road K, Hayward, WI 54843 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Hall presented the Government Accountability Board (GAB) April 3, 2012 Polling Place Audit and the response drafted by Warshawsky. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Mc Cue to authorize Warshawsky to send drafted letter to GAB. Motion carried.

Hall presented the diesel quotes. Prices quoted were for #2 on Road diesel as of August 7, 2012. Hall reviewed the prices. Heinz Oil was the lowest. Campbell said that we can't use red dyed diesel. Meixner suggested shopping around for the best price each time we need diesel. Campbell reported that the Town is currently on keep fill right now. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Mrotek to authorize Campbell to shop for prices as needed and to go with Heinz Oil for the first fill. Motion carried.

Campbell gave a brief history of the Savitski encroachment. Mr. Savitski wanted gravel on his driveway, which is on the Town road. The Town does not do that. Savitski was told by Highway Crew Chief at the time, Terry Walport to put gravel on Town Road and Savitski didn't want to do it unless it was in writing. Savitski called Campbell who told him the same thing. Campbell told him we would survey it. There is some encroachment. Campbell asked the Board if they want put gravel down. Hall said that it's public access and we don't have the right to close it off. Discussion followed. Mc Cue said that Savitski should move his gate and clear the way to his dock, which is on Town property. Hall said that he has a holding tank on Town property. Aubart said that it would not cost a whole lot of money to move. Aubart said that the Board gave Savitski permission to put up the gate to keep burglars out. Hall said that the Board has made people move things recently and we need to address it. Mrotek said that consistency is important. McCue said that the Town paid money to have Jesse Suzan to mark it. Aubart suggested sending a letter to Savitski advising him of what was found and see where it goes. Motion by Meixner, seconded by McCue to authorize a letter to Savitski advising him of the encroachment and the holding tank, LP tank, outhouse and gate. Motion carried. Discussion followed.

Warshawsky requested that the Board appoint Susan Wisely as an election inspector for the current term. Motion by McCue, seconded by Mrotek to appoint Susan Wisely as an election inspector. Motion carried.

Hall presented the application for the Temporary Picnic Permit the Middlesdorf Anniversary Party at the pavilion and Town Hall on September 8, 2012. Motion by Meixner, seconded by McCue to approve the permit. Motion carried.

Operator's License Applications were presented to the Board. Motion by Meixner, seconded by Aubart to approve the 3 applications. Motion carried.

Public Comment.

Motion by Meixner, seconded by McCue to adjourn at 7:39 pm. Motion carried.