

REGULAR EUREKA TOWN BOARD MEETING, August 13, 2015

The regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Eureka was called to order by Chairman Gene Krull at 7:00 pm on Thursday, August 13, 2015, at the Town Hall.

Proper notice was given as the agenda was posted in the four designated locations of the Town Hall, EdgeTown Tavern, KJ's and River Roads Wolf Creek Bar on August 7, 2015. A notice was posted in the Tri-County North Advertiser.

Present by roll call were Chairman Gene Krull, Supervisor Marvin Caspersen and Supervisor Paul Schneider. Also present were Clerk Deb Dibble and Treasurer David Anderson. Others present were Paul Grill, Ron Edlund, Richard Nelson, Tim Knigge, Carl Hetfeld, Gene Patrin, Beverly Caspersen, Carleen Matosky, and Shaila Johnson.

Caspersen/Schneider **moved** to approve the agenda; **motion carried**.

Schneider/Caspersen **moved** to approve the amended meeting minutes for July 9, 2015 (Regular Town Board Meeting); **motion carried**.

Caspersen/Schneider **moved** to approve payment of vouchers 15-277 through 15-332 amounting to \$39847.70, discussion continued; **motion carried** on a unanimous roll call vote, 3-0.

The Clerk reported that she had completed and submitted the Liquor License Report to the WI Department of Revenue. The 2015 year-to-date budget summaries were reviewed and discussed. The workman's compensation insurance audit was completed and submitted. Election training and Budget training was completed.

The treasurer's report was reviewed. Receipts for the month of July 2015 amounted to \$67,791.94; cash balance on July 31, 2015 was \$224,597.31. The balance of the New Equipment Account as of July 31, 2015 was \$22,047.30.

**Highway report:** Chairman Krull stated the paving has been completed on 200th Street going north from County Road I. Two mowing passes and the majority of the brush cutting have been completed on the west half. The 1997 truck had some painting done. The mowing tractor had some repair work done.

**Chairman's report:** Chairman Krull reported that the state building inspector may not be here until September; at that time the air conditioning will be installed. The final payment to the contractor will be done when we pass the final inspection. Thank you to the person who donated a new color printer to the town. We have two open positions in our highway department. He received a letter from the office of the Polk County District Attorney and the Polk County OWI Task Force asking our cooperation in putting up signage in the town to heighten the awareness of drunk driving. Discussion continued.

**Citizen Comment Time:** Gene Patrin reported the new sign "Children at Play" appears to have been vandalized on Horse Shoe Lake Road. Since this is vandalism, this should be reported to the police. A neighbor is putting up white nylon tape about 2 – 3 feet off the ground in the right-of-way. This is a safety concern for snowmobilers, especially since it is white. Possibly a different color marker should be added to the white tape. Chairman Krull stated that he only has authority if it is on the Town's portion of that road. He will research the fence law in the state guidelines.

Shaila Johnson inquired what the steps are to add a second home to their 80 acre parcel. Carl Hetfeld stated that if the original home is not going to be used, you do not have to do anything. If someone is going to live in it, you would have to parcel the residence off with a minimum three-acre parcel. Discussion continued.

**Supervisor's Comment:** Supervisor Caspersen commented that the Luck area ATV Association has not made further progress regarding ATV's crossing county roads.

Supervisor Schneider reported the Planning Commission met August 5th. The next meeting is September 3rd and they will start reviewing the Comprehensive Plan. Discussion continued. Chairman Krull stated that Paul Schneider has taken over his position on the Planning Commission. A chairman and secretary will need to be elected for the Planning Commission.

**Business:** Supervisor Caspersen asked to present the draft for an Annual Road Review Policy at the September Town Board meeting.

Schneider/Caspersen **moved** to purchase a locking mailbox for \$109.97 plus the adapter from Home Depot; **motion carried** by a unanimous roll call vote. Discussion continued. The topic was tabled until the September 10, 2015 meeting.

Schneider/Caspersen **moved** to follow federal holiday guidelines, if a holiday falls on a Saturday take Friday off, if the holiday falls on a Sunday take Monday off; **motion carried**. This has been added to the Employee Handbook. Discussion continued.

Caspersen/Schneider moved to adopt Resolution 15-05 to amend the 2015 Budget for the Town of Eureka; **motion carried** on a unanimous roll-call vote, 3-0. Discussion continued.

Resolution 15-05 - A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2015 BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF EUREKA

WHEREAS the Legal Expenses for Town of Eureka is anticipated to exceed the budgeted amount by \$2,000; and

WHEREAS the Town Hall Utilities for Town of Eureka is anticipated to exceed the budgeted amount by \$1,000; and

WHEREAS the Town Hall Expenses for Town of Eureka is anticipated to exceed the budgeted amount by \$800; and

WHEREAS the General Public Building Outlay Hall for Town of Eureka exceeded the budgeted amount by \$152,866.79; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of Eureka, Polk County, Wisconsin, that

- The sum of \$2,400 is hereby transferred from the Miscellaneous Expense account, of which \$2,000 will be added to Legal Expense Account, \$400 will be added to the Town Hall Utilities Expense,
- The sum of \$1,400 is hereby transferred from the Election Wages Expense account, of which \$600 will be added to Town Hall Utilities Expense Account, \$800 will be added to the Town Hall Expenses.
- The sum of \$152,866.79 is hereby transferred from the Operations Fund, of which \$152,866.79 will be added to the General Public Building Outlay Hall account.

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/s/Gene Krull, Chairperson

Dated this 13th day of August, 2015.

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Attest: /s/Deb Dibble, Town Clerk

Approved by:   x   Roll Call Vote:

     Yeas;      Nays;      Absent

Caspersen/ Schneider **moved** to approve Taubenberger Minor Subdivision; **motion carried**. Carl Hetfeld passed out Certified Survey Maps for the 3.97 acre Peter Taubenberger Minor Subdivision. Discussion continued.

Krull/Caspersen **moved** to have the Town of Eureka Town Hall Open House on September 26th to run at the same time as The River Road Ramble; **motion carried**. Chairman Krull will head the committee and Deb will assist him. Discussion continued.

Richard Nelson stated. "For the next agenda I would like to have clarification on citizens speaking during the Business portion of the meeting. The July 9th minutes address it but read, discussion continued. We get three minutes to bring up issues during the Citizen Comment Time portion of the meetings. But I am talking about when the topics are being discussed. I do not have a computer. I come to the meetings and even if I see it listed, I could call you (Gene) but we don't know what is going to be discussed on the topic until we are at the meeting. I feel that the people that come to the meeting should be allowed to have input into what is being discussed. I don't know what is going to happen on these decisions". (A paper notice of all meetings is posted at the Town Hall, KJ's Bar, River Roads Wolf Creek Bar, and the Edgetown Tavern.) Chairman Krull replied "Certainly during the Business section of the meeting I will recognize people from the audience and not cut them off or turn them down if their comment is pertinent to the topic on the agenda. Someone cannot start commenting on a topic that is not on the agenda. Add clarification on this subject to the September agenda". Mr. Nelson replied, "Well maybe you do not have to. I wanted to point this out after I read the minutes". Mr. Krull replied, "That is fine, I appreciate your comments, thank you".

Agenda Items for the Next Board Meeting on **September 10, 2015**

**Discussion/Approval** – Polk County OWI Task Force Requests Assistance to Put Up OWI Signs.

**Discussion/Approval** – Annual Road Review Policy.

**Discussion/Approval** – Planning Commission Report.

**Discussion/Approval** – Town Hall Open House Plans.

**Discussion/Approval** – Introduce New Highway Maintenance Employees.

**Discussion/Approval** – Clarification on Citizens Speaking during the Business Portion of Meetings.

There being no further business, Caspersen/Schneider **moved** to adjourn the meeting; **motion carried** the meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm. Minutes prepared by Deb Dibble, Town Clerk.