

TOWN OF PORT EDWARDS MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: January 14th, 2019

Call to Order: Chairman Randy Moody opened the Town Board Meeting at 6:10p.m. in the Town Hall. This was after the conclusion of the Town caucus.

Meeting Certification: This meeting has been properly posted (on the Town's three posting boards, and on the Town Hall door) as well as published on our website and in the Daily Tribune, to notify the public of date, place, time, and agenda.

Attendance: Chairman Randy Moody, Supervisors Tim Schmidt and Jeff O'Donnell, Treasurer Kathy Reese, Clerk Michelle Sorenson, Constable Louis Hamel. There were several people from the public also in attendance.

Approval of minutes from December 11th Board Meeting: Clerk presented the minutes from the previous monthly Board Meeting. They looked accurate and acceptable. Motion was made by Schmidt and seconded by O'Donnell to accept the minutes as printed. Motion carried.

Agenda:

- Approve the agenda
- Approve previous meeting's minutes
- Approve payment of bills
- Treasurer and Clerk monthly financial reports
- Act on operator license
- Set date for next board meeting
- Review correspondence
- Convene in closed session under Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(c) to discuss employee wages
- Reconvene into open session
- New business
- Old business: Town telephone line
- Public input
- Adjourn

Motion was made by O'Donnell and seconded by Schmidt to approve the agenda with one amendment. Closed session was moved to after public input so the public would not have to wait out in the cold weather for the meeting to reconvene. Motion carried.

Bills: O'Donnell made a motion to approve payment of the bills listed by the Clerk. Clerk will also bill Ron Arendt for his share of road work on Creamery Road as that bill came in from the County. Motion was seconded by Schmidt and motion carried. Total disbursements for the month of December were \$23,183.53.

Treasurer and Clerk Financial Reports: The Treasurer and Clerk reports were reviewed by the Board. All reports balance. Total Town money as of December 31st, 2018, is \$247,860.23. Motion was made by O'Donnell and seconded by Schmidt to accept the financial reports. Motion carried.

Operator License: Switched submitted an operator license application for Debbie Domine. Debbie holds other operator licenses and the ten-dollar fee was paid to the Treasurer at this monthly meeting. O'Donnell moved to approve the operator license for Debbie and Schmidt seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Treasurer brought back information on Mark Krings parcel and tax bill. His parcel contains only a garage so his parcel will be moved to the exempt list for garbage and recycling for next year's tax roll.

Chairman received a timber cutting permit for Ila May Wolf.

Clerk received the most recent quarterly report for the South Wood County Humane Society. There was no charge to the Town.

The Town received a letter from Attorney Luke Weiland on behalf of James Fazio with a request that a parcel of Fazio's be rezoned commercial. The Town Board appointed a Zoning Committee that consists of Dan Matthews, Gordon Gottbeheit, and Pat Martinson (all present at tonight's meeting). O'Donnell made a motion to approve the committee as appointed and give a copy of Attorney Weiland's letter to them for review. Schmidt seconded said motion. Motion carried.

New Business: It was mentioned that the County Board was taken by "surprise" by our Groundwater Resolution. They suggested that we have more power at the local level versus the county level. Dan Matthews from the Groundwater Committee suggested we start with a Backflow Ordinance that would affect all of the center point pivots with tanks on them.

Old Business: (Town telephone line) Al doesn't have a personal cell phone. It would be \$30/month more for the Town to have internet. The Board may look into this again at budget time.

Public input: A constituent had a question as to how to go about changing your name on your tax bills. He was referred to the Register of Deeds office in the Courthouse.

Closed Session: The Board went in to closed session on a motion made by O'Donnell and seconded by Schmidt so as to discuss employee wages for the year beginning February 1, 2019. Motion carried.

Reconvened into Open Session: Schmidt moved to adjourn closed session and O'Donnell seconded. Motion carried.

Next Scheduled Board Meeting: The next regularly scheduled Town Board Meeting is set for Monday, February 11th, 2019, immediately following the conclusion of the Public Hearing for Fazio Auto. The meeting will be conducted at the Town Hall.

Adjourn: O'Donnell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50p.m. and Schmidt seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Sorenson, Clerk