

**Town Board Meeting  
May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00pm  
Manitowish Waters Community Center**

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm.

**Present:** Town Chairman John Hanson and Board Supervisors Bob Becker and Mike Kramer.

**Approval of Agenda** as posted on May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and Addendum as posted on May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Approved on motion from Bob Becker and seconded by Mike Kramer. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes** of April 10<sup>th</sup>, April 17<sup>th</sup>, and April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018. A motion was made by Bob Becker and seconded by Mike Kramer to approve the minutes of April 10<sup>th</sup>, April 17<sup>th</sup>, and April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Motion Carried.

**Visitors Present:** JoAnn Miller, Greg Holt, Karen Dixon, Lynn Schroeder, Tom Joseph, Kim Kost, and Kevin Griffith.

**Subjects from floor:** Jodi Mille explained that the electrical service at Koller Park is inadequate to support the concessions stand, used during various functions. Hanson agreed that a heavier wire should be run to the electrical outlet to support 2 or 3 circuits. Kim Kost expressed opposition to rescheduling the usual 7:00pm meetings to 10:00 am, noting that this excludes working individuals from attending the meetings. Lynn Schroeder added that certain individuals have regarded this as the Board trying to *slide something through*. Chair Hanson agreed and stated that going forward, every effort would be made to schedule all meetings, (regular and special), in the evening.

**Agenda Items Requested to Speak On:** Kim Kost, Greg Holt, Karen Dixon, Tom Joseph, Lynn Schroeder and Kevin Griffith requested to speak on the **Rest Lake Park and Koller Park Docks** agenda item. Karen Dixon, Tom Joseph, Greg Holt and Kim Kost expressed interest in commenting on the **Additional Funding for AIS Contract with the Discovery Center** agenda item. Kim Kost and Greg Holt also requested to discuss the **Signs for Spider/Manitowish Lake Channels** agenda item.

**Old Business:**

**--Rest Lake Park and Koller Park Docks:** Supervisor Kramer noted that the "L" shape of the docks at the Rest Lake Park boat landing is inefficient and creating problems. A proposal from Pier Perfect was shared, depicting 2 options: Option 1 retained the "L" shape and added a new section to extend the pier that runs along the ramp; Option 2 removed the "L" section and added it to the end of the pier that runs along the ramp. Option 2 was considerably less expensive than Option 1. Following lengthy discussion and a great deal of input from community members, a motion was made by Mike Kramer, and seconded by Bob Becker, to approve up to \$2,560.00 to go with Option 2. Motion carried. Chair Hanson shared a rough diagram of a proposed new dock system at Koller Park, which would fit between the swimming area and the existing fishing dock. Bids on the project ranged between \$68,000 up to \$120,000. Hanson felt that the boardwalk shoreline portion of the new system could be accomplished independently and not through the expensive Dock Companies, saving the Town some expense. Following a good deal of conversation, Hanson offered to do more research and present his findings at a future meeting. No action was taken.

**New Business:**

**--Additional Funding for AIS Contract with the Discovery Center:** Chair Hanson shared that the Town had appropriated \$32,000 for the 2018 AIS Contract with the Discovery Center. The \$6,000 decrease from the 2017 appropriation was due to the fact that Emily Heald from the Discovery Center had indicated that there were leftover grant funds from 2017 to make up the difference. Karen Dixon had sent a letter to the Supervisor Becker, stating that in lieu of the Town's 2017 budget surplus, could they cover the \$6,000 difference from last year's appropriation. Hanson had emailed Emily Heald earlier in the day, inquiring if any grant funds remained to supplement the Town's 2018 appropriation. Heald responded that the leftover funds were already committed to various projects, and that they would greatly appreciate \$4,000 to help out with intern salaries. A motion was made by Bob Becker for the Town to cover whatever is not covered by the Manitowish Waters Lakes Association, (MWLA), up to \$6,000. Motion dies for lack of a second. It was agreed to wait on a decision until after the MWLA has their meeting on Monday, and determines what they will be contributing to the AIS project. No action taken.

**--Road Bids:** To date, only Pitlik & Wick had submitted a bid. Chair Hanson outlined the following projects that were included with the bid:

Clear Lake Road	\$150,761.35
North Townline Road (to be split with Boulder Jct.)	\$ 94,193.90 (MW ½ = \$47,096.95)
Weber Road	\$ 32,492.93
Aspen Drive	\$ 24,259.85
Mcilvain Road	\$ 23,681.95
McFarland Drive	\$ 14,400.60

The grand total would be \$339,790.58, (less 47,096.95). Following discussion, it was determined that Weber Road, Aspen Drive, Micilvain Road, and McFarland Drive could wait until next year, and to go ahead with Clear Lake Road and Townline Road. Kim

Kost inquired why Marathon Road was not on the list. Chair Hanson responded that it should be on the list for 2019 projects, and maybe the most efficient thing to do would be to gravel, mill, compact and chip seal it. Hanson cited a couple other local roads where this had worked out well, and the cost is about a third of doing hot mix. A motion was made by Mike Kramer and seconded by Bob Becker to approve Clear Lake Road and Townline Road, with Townline Road contingent upon Boulder Junction agreeing to pay half. Motion carried.

--**Signs for Spider/Manitowish Lake Channel:** Traffic through the channel between Spider Lake and Manitowish Lake is frequently impeded by the idea that only one boat can pass through at a time. This channel is actually sufficiently wide enough for two-way single file traffic. Hanson suggested placing 36' X 36'signs at the entrance of both sides, stating **Two-Way Traffic – Keep Right**. A motion was made by Mike Kramer and seconded by Bob Becker to approve the purchase of such signs. Motion carried.

--**Walleyes for Tomorrow Collection Boxes:** Supervisor Kramer explained that the Walleyes for Tomorrow organization is seeking permission to place Information Collection Boxes at all Manitowish Waters boat landings. With only Rest Lake Park landing and Clear Lake landing actually belonging to the Town, a motion was made by John Hanson and seconded by Bob Becker, to grant permission for Walleyes for Tomorrow Collection Boxes to be place at both landings. Motion carried.

### **Standing Committee Review:**

--**Vouchers:** Vouchers for April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 = \$27,932.86 and April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018 = \$21,208.31. Vouchers for May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 = \$49,681.60. A motion was made by Bob Becker and seconded by Mike Kramer to approve the vouchers as stated. Motion carried.

--**P & L/Bank Balances:** P&L's and Bank Balances provided to the Board in hard copy.

--**Airport Report:** Provided to the Board in written form. Supervisor Becker noted that there was 3 separate plowings in April. People have been calling, looking for hangars to purchase or rent; at the present time, none are available. Crack sealing is needed all over around the Airport. We will be going into Closed Session to consider the Airport Manager's position.

--**Road Report:** Provided to the Board in written form. The first phase of the new road signs are in, but due to late frost will be installed during the summer. Warning signs for the South Townline/Wild Rice boat landing areas have been ordered. The new F450 pickup arrived on March 12<sup>th</sup>, and the old truck is already sold, as of today. Roads Foreman, Jerry Blach attended a Wisconsin Emergency Management seminar, along with Supervisors Becker and Kramer. Christmas banners and lighted decorations have come down, and summer equipment has gone out. Becker noted that the new Patrol Boat has arrived at Greer's Pier.

--**Transfer Station:** Everything is running smooth. Nothing else to report.

**Correspondence:** Clerk Hilbert shared a request from the "**Friends of the Fair**" **Community Partnership** seeking sponsorship for the 2018 Vilas Co Fair. No contribution was discussed. Hilbert also shared a letter from the **Wisconsin Dept. of Safety and Professional Services** accrediting the Manitowish Waters Volunteer Fire Co. for great records and a good job following a recent compliance audit. The letter went on to commend Chief Bob Skrobot for the professionalism and courtesy he extended during the audit.

### **Addendum:**

Pursuant to Wisconsin Statue 19.85(1)(c) considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of an employee, a motion was made by Bob Becker and seconded by Mike Kramer to convene to closed session:

Roll Call Bob Becker, "Aye", Mike Kramer "Aye", and John Hanson, "Aye".

A motion was made by Bob Becker and seconded by Mike Kramer, to reconvene to open session to take action on items discussed in closed session:

Roll Call: Bob Becker, "Aye", Mike Kramer, "Aye", John Hanson, "Aye".

A motion was made by Bob Becker and seconded by Mike Kramer to withdraw the offer made to Jeff Meyer for Airport Manager. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mike Kramer and seconded by Bob Becker to hire Don Fields as Airport Manager, for \$20.00 per hour. Motion carried.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:38pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Dana Hilbert  
Clerk/Treasurer