

**Town Board Meeting
January 8th, 2019 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 January 4th, 2019. Approved on motion from Mike Kramer and seconded by Bob Becker. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of December 11th and December 13th, 2018. A motion was made by Bob Becker and seconded by Mike Kramer to approve the minutes of December 11th and December 13th, 2018. Motion Carried.

Visitors Present: Paul Puccinelli, Greg Holt, Karen Dixon, Randy Lang, John Donovan, and Emily Heald.

Subjects from floor: Chair Hanson brought up the failing *pit toilet* situation at Little Star Beach Park, noting that he would take the initiative to apply for a grant from the DNR to put in *flush toilets*. Bob Becker added that it would be nice to include a small open-sided, covered shelter as well. Hanson believed the cut-off for applications was the end of February and he would get going on it.

Agenda Items Requested to Speak On: Paul Puccinelli requested to speak on the ***AIS Contract with North Lakeland Discovery Center*** agenda item, the ***Request to Use the Town Hall Basement for Dog Training Class*** agenda item.

Old Business:

-- None

New Business:

-- **Report on AIS Program from North Lakeland Discovery Center:** Emily Heald gave a very thorough presentation on last year's AIS program and what they accomplished. Her report was also provided to the Board in print.

-- **AIS Contract with North Lakeland Discovery Center:** The North Lakeland Discovery Center is seeking an amount of \$38,000 for the 2019 AIS Program. Following brief discussion, a motion was made by John Hanson and seconded by Mike Kramer to approve the 2019 AIS Contract. Motion carried. Additional discussion ensued regarding monitoring at the boat landings. Karen Dixon explained that this was something the Manitowish Waters Lakes Association was in the process of researching. She will come back to the Town Board with their findings at a future meeting.

-- **Request for Proposal for Architect Services for Remodeling Projects:** A Request for Architect Services document has been drafted and with Board approval, will be going out tomorrow. On January 18th at 1:00pm, there will be a pre-proposal conference where Architect Firms can attend and look at the projects and then submit their proposals. Architects have until January 25th to submit any questions. The deadline for proposals will be 1:00pm on January 30th, at which time the Building Committee will meet and create a *short list* of 3 or 4 firms they will select for interview on February 4th. Following interviews, the Building Committee will select a firm and make a recommendation to the Town Board to be approved or disapproved at a February 5th joint Building Committee/Town Board special meeting. A motion was made by Bob Becker and seconded by Mike Kramer to approve the drafted document. Motion carried.

-- **Request to Use the Town Hall Basement for Dog Training Class:** Chair Hanson reported that he had received a request to hold Dog Training Classes in the Town Hall basement. Following brief discussion, it was determined that given the current state of the basement and the unlikelihood that this would be changing anytime within the immediate future, it would not be feasible at this time. No action was taken.

-- **Musky Classic Contract:** A motion was made by Bob Becker and seconded by Mike Kramer to approve and sign the annual Musky Classic Contract. Motion carried.

-- **Eagle Waste Contract:** The Town Board met with a representative from Eagle Waste earlier in the day and were presented with a contract. There are revisions that need to be made to the contract prior to signing, so Hanson recommended tabling action for the time being. No action taken.

Standing Committee Review:

--**Vouchers:** Vouchers for December 25th, 2018 equaled \$168,212.45, of which \$11,000 was for brush pile chipping, 61,050 was the annual appropriation to the Manitowish Waters Fire Co., and \$84,000 constituted a payment to Pitlik and Wick that was offset by a donation. January 8th, 2019 vouchers were \$1,335,291.91, of which 1,308,286.20 constituted December tax settlement payments to Vilas County and the 3 schools. A motion was made by Bob Becker and seconded by John Hanson to approve the vouchers as stated. Motion carried.

--**P & L/Bank Balances:** P&L's were provided to the Board in hard copy. Clerk Hilbert noted that Insurance disbursements were not split out yet.

--**Airport Report:** Airport Reports provided to the Board in hard copy. All is operational and pretty quiet at present. A computer problem that exists requires resolving. Becker added that Airport Committee Officers had been reassigned.

--**Road Report:** Mike Kramer shared that in December there had been 3 plowings, 2 scrapings and 2 sandings. A few stolen road signs had been replaced and a utility light at the Transfer Station was replaced.

--**Transfer Station:** Mike Kramer restated that a meeting was held with Eagle Waste and the Board is looking to trim a few expenses. Everything is going well.

--**Parks Report:** All is quiet; nothing to report. Unrelated to Parks, Bob Becker mentioned that the new Cemetery Committee would be meeting on Friday and that Chuck Rayala III would like to be added to the Committee and this would need to be on the next meeting agenda.

Correspondence: Chair Hanson shared a letter from the Manitowish Waters Skiing Skeeters thanking the Town for their donation.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:47pm.

Submitted,
Dana Hilbert
Clerk/Treasurer