

**Town Board Meeting
August 13th, 2019 7:00 pm
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 August 9th, 2019. Approved on motion from Mike Kramer and seconded by Bob Becker. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of June 20th, 2019, June 25th, 2019 (2), June 28th, 2019, July 2nd, 2019, July 9th, 2019 and August 2nd, 2019. A motion was made by Bob Becker and seconded by Mike Kramer to approve the minutes of June 20th, 2019, June 25th, 2019 (2), June 28th, 2019, July 2nd, 2019, July 9th, 2019 and August 2nd, 2019. Motion Carried.

Visitors Present: A Town Board Workshop prior to the meeting was attended by over 100 residents and community members. A small group of residents remained for the Town Board Meeting.

Agenda Items Requested to Speak On: Lynn Schroeder and Kevin Griffith requested to speak on the *Water Patrol Portable Breathalyzer* agenda item.

Subjects from floor: Kevin Griffith questioned ownership of the pontoon boat parked at the old boat landing dock in Rest Lake Park. Chair Hanson responded that it belonged to the Town and was used for buoy placement and buoy location corrections. Karen Dixon brought up inadequate bathroom facilities at Koller Park. Hanson noted that past discussions considered adding toilets to the existing changing rooms but nothing had been done to date. It was also pointed out that when the bathhouse was originally built, it was not designed to handle the ever-growing Music in the Park. Port-o-lets were suggested for Sundays only.

Old Business:

-- **Memorials:** Periodically, the Town receives requests for Memorial Donations. In the past, we've allowed a bench to be placed at Koller Park, but space is a consideration as we receive more and more requests. Chair Hanson recommended that we figure out something that would be uniform, and suggested utilizing the bricks around the bench in front of the Town Hall, for engraved memorials. Another suggestion included routing memorials into boards for public park docks. The Board will look into this further and revisit the topic at a future meeting.

New Business:

--**Water Patrol Portable Breathalyzer:** Supervisor Becker explained that Water Patrol Officer Alexander had requested a portable hand-held breathalyzer. Becker checked with the vendor who currently provides our equipment and supplies, and the cost would be \$825.00 for the portable hand-held with 30 disposable mouthpieces. A waterproof storage bag would also be needed, so Becker suggested putting \$900.00 in the budget to purchase this for next season. Alexander also requested a small First Aid Kit to keep in the boat for minor incidents, (ie. providing a Band-Aid, etc). Becker went on to mention an auditory decibel reader for noise concerns, and again, this could be included in next year's budget. Some concern was expressed by visitors regarding the need for a breathalyzer and random stops. The Board pointed out that this would be used in instances of suspect belligerent boaters and not for random stop and checks.

--**Survey of Cherry Blossom Lane:** Chair Hanson noted that it was discovered a while back that Cherry Blossom Lane is not located in our right-of-way. A letter was mailed out to all residents affected by this and a few responses have been received. Hanson recommended that we have the right-of-way surveyed. Coleman Engineering provided an estimate for staking out the platted right-of-way of Cherry Blossom Lane from Nazdar Road to Lot Eleven on the Little Bo plat. Markers would be placed on the right-of-way every 50 feet. The staking would be for viewing only. The fee would be \$2,000.00. Hanson offered to obtain additional proposals from other firms, as there is no rush to move on this. There have been varying opinions on whether or not to move the road to the correct location. One thing effecting the decision is the amount of trees that would have to come down to move the road.

--**Airport Site for New Fire Station Site Fill:** The Town is proposing developing additional hangar sites at the Airport, and the area being looked at would probably provide enough fill needed for the new Fire Co building. Chair Hanson had an estimate from Chuck's Excavating for \$9,000.00 to remove the topsoil and haul it to the Fire Co. construction location. This would be the most cost efficient way to get fill for the Fire Co and prep the area for new hangars. A motion was made by Bob Becker and seconded by John Hanson to proceed with taking fill from the Airport area to be used in the construction of the new Fire Co building project with a limit of up to \$12,000.00. Motion carried. (Supervisor Kramer abstained from voting because of his relation to Chuck's Excavating).

Addendum:

--**New Well for the Fire Hall:** The old well at the existing Fire Hall needed to be abandoned and water is still needed there until the new Fire Hall is constructed. Hanson obtained a quote from ERTL Enterprises (dba Richardson Well Drilling), for \$5,950.00 without a new pump or \$6,450.00 with a new pump. A motion was made by Bob Becker and seconded by Mike Kramer to go ahead with ERTL Enterprises for a new well and pump for the existing Fire Hall for the cost of \$6,450.00. Motion carried.

Standing Committee Review:

--**Vouchers:** Vouchers for July 23rd, 2019 equaled \$126,123.18 and vouchers for August 13th, 2019 were \$69,961.44. 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 were provided to the Board in hard copy. Clerk Hilbert pointed out that none of the 3 bank accounts with Associated Bank, (General Account, Tax Account and Investment Account), are receiving any interest. She will follow up on this.

--**Airport Report:** Airport Reports provided to the Board in hard copy. Supervisor Becker reported that the two new private hangars are paved and ready for use. The sprinkler system immediately surrounding the terminal is up and running and old bushes have been removed and trees trimmed. Airport employee, Chuck Kreml is now gone and only available in case of an emergency to cover duties. Parks employee, Josh Niemiec will be training to fill in at the Airport for the fall/winter season. Walt's Petroleum came out to work on a few minor inspection discrepancies. The Hamburger Fly-In is Thursday, August 29th at 4 pm.

--**Road Report:** Road Reports provided to the Board in hard copy. Supervisor Kramer reported that a humped culvert on Alder Lake Road has been repaired by Northland Seal Coating and Asphalt Repair and they are slated to repair another culvert on Alder Lake Road. At the Powell (Marsh) Road culvert, seven beavers have been removed and little by little we are removing the beaver created blockage in the culvert. Road shoulder mowing has begun. Minocqua Pest control came in and sprayed at the Pine Lawn Cemetery to combat an ant problem. The pit toilets by the Airport have been torn down to create more parking for the Community Garden.

--**Transfer Station:** Kramer reported that all is going well at the Transfer Station but we are still searching for a vendor to take the wood chips.

--**Water Patrol Report:** Water Patrol was thoroughly covered during a workshop just prior to the Board Meeting. Chair Hanson suggested creating an Ad-Hoc Committee to deal with Water Patrol issues. Clerk Hilbert reported that patrol hours for the month of July were 101 hours, with 160 boats observed. Nine verbal warnings were issued, 2 written warnings and zero citations.

--**Parks Report:** Supervisor Becker received a call about a wasp problem in the men's room at Little Star Beach. Becker will advise Jerry to spray. A beat up dock is washed up on the beach at Little Star Beach and needs to be removed.

Correspondence: Clerk Hilbert reported that the bathrooms at Koller Park are negative for coliform bacterial. Hilbert went on to share an email from a gentleman, Phil Horter, who is interested in working part-time Water Patrol next season. Horter, a retired Police Officer, is currently working part-time Lake Patrol in Waukesha County on Pewaukee Lake, and therefore already trained and certified for Water Patrol. Horter is also already familiar with our Chain of Lakes, as his family has had a cabin up here for many years. Hilbert went on to announce that next season, current part-time Officer Alexander would like to go full-time. With two potential Officers for next season, we will be in great shape for coverage.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dana Hilbert
Clerk/Treasurer