

Monthly Town Board Meeting – May 18, 2009 – 6:00 p.m.

Mukwa Town Hall, E8514 Weyauwega Rd., Northport 25 in attendance – 6 non-residents, including James Murray, WI State Patrol.

Chairman Curns called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Notification of this meeting was given to the Press on May 10, 2009 and the final agenda was posted in the three designated places on May 13, 2009.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call of Officers: Jim Curns, Chairman – Present; Michael Wundrock, Supervisor 1 – Present; Neil Freeman, Supervisor 2 – Present; Brenda Grove, Treasurer – Present; Jeannette Zielinski, Clerk – Present.

All Meetings/Hearings will Adhere to Robert's Rules of Order Pursuant to Town of Mukwa Ordinance 10-05.

Approve Monthly Town Board Meeting Minutes: Motion was made by Sup. Wundrock to accept the April 20, 2009 Monthly Town Board Minutes as printed. A second to the motion was made by Sup. Freeman. Motion carried.

Approve Minutes from the May 8th, Special Town Board Meeting: Motion was made by Chairman Curns/Sup. Freeman to approve the Minutes from the May 8, 2009 Special Town Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Treasurer: Approve Monthly Treasurer's Report: Motion was made by Sup. Wundrock/Sup. Freeman to approve the April 30, 2009 Treasurer's Report as read. Motion carried. .

Budget/Vouchers: Approval & Payment of Vouchers: Motion was made by Sup. Wundrock/Sup. Freeman to approve payment of Vouchers 22188 through 22239, dated April 21, 2009 through May 18, 2009, and Direct Withdrawal of Social Security, Medicare, and Federal Taxes of \$1,031.56 and Wisconsin (Quarterly) Withholding of \$834.75, for a total of \$23,756.06. Motion carried. (a)Adopt First State Bank Resolution: Motion was made by Chairman Curns/Sup. Freeman to Adopt the First State Bank Resolution as read (copy on file). Aye: 3. Motion carried.

Public Forum - Town of Mukwa Residents: Lloyd Stern-Weyauwega Rd: Mr. Stern inquired to the status of the tree issue on the corner of Weyauwega Road and Broadway Street. The pines at that intersection make it difficult to turn left.

County Supervisor: County Supervisor, Bob Flease was ill but contacted Clerk Zielinski to inform that the Highway 54 bridge project was still on schedule as of today.

Jim Murray, WI State Patrol, WIDOT Inspector-Road Issues/Questions: Chairman Curns invited Officer Murray to attend to answer questions and be available during the road weight limit issue. (See Roads).

Fireworks Permits: (a)Display-Sue Murray-Hucklberry Acres: Motion was made by Chairman Curns/Sup. Freeman to approve a display fireworks permit for Sue Murray at Hucklberry Acres. Motion carried. (b)Sell-Al & Chris Mayer-Northport Convenience Center: Paul Zuege was present representing the Mukwa Area First Responders to accept the donation of \$500.00 from Al & Chris Mayer. Mr. Zuege stated that the funds will be used towards the purchase of a new AED. Many thanks to the Mayers. Motion was made by Sup. Freeman/Sup. Wundrock to approve a permit to Al & Chris Mayer to sell fireworks at the Northport Convenience Center from June 15th to July 15th. Motion carried.

Variances-Martin & Lamar Wilson-Approve Certified Survey Map: Motion was made by Sup. Wundrock/Sup. Freeman to approve and sign the variances in accordance to the Certified Survey Map. Motion carried. Mr. Wilson was present and had the final Certified Survey Map to be signed by the Clerk and Chairman.

Building Inspector Report for May: James Heinzl-Deer Haven Dr: Metal Carport; Ron Peeters-Klatt Rd: Remodel Portion of Building; Shelly Kuhnke-Broadway St: Detached Garage/Attached Garage to Living Space; Richard Roth-Otto Rd: Detached Garage. Monthly Total: \$24,100.00. Yearly Total: \$479,622.77. Motion was made by Sup. Freeman/Chairman Curns to accept the Building Inspector Report as read/submitted. Motion carried

Animal Control Officer: (a)Animal Report Forms/Veterinary Invoice/s: None. (b)Citation Letter/s: None issued.

Plan Commission: (a)Update/Monthly Report: Plan Commission Chairman, Lee Shaw reported on the May 6th Plan Commission Meeting. Plan Commission Chair Shaw reported that Ordinance 3-09: Ordinance Regulation Disposition of Waste Material had final approval from the Plan Commission and was ready to be turned over to the Town Board for adoption. Mr. Shaw also advised that the Pond Ordinance was almost complete and should be finished at the June Plan Commission Meeting. Mr. Shaw attended the Waupaca County Zoning hearing for Randy and Rick Scheid and advised that their project was approved on May 14th. Plan Commission Chairman requested the Town Board advise of a new topic that may need to be addressed. Old Business: Mr. Dave Radtke, representing the Corey Johnson Estate presented the final Certified Survey Map to be signed. Motion was made by Chairman Curns/Sup. Freeman to accept and sign the Corey Johnson farm split Certified Survey Map. Motion carried.

Roads: (a)Monthly Report: Maintenance will be patching & adding gravel to shoulders. (b)Road Equipment-Report/Repairs/ Purchases Needed: (1)Grader Repairs: Wing bracket needed. (c)Annual Road Viewing Report-Possible 2009 Projects/Work Needed: The Board viewed all Town roads on April 27th & 28th. Sup. Wundrock created a spreadsheet to show all pertinent information. This information is also used to complete the WIDOT PASER Report. Sup. Wundrock stated that Otto Road (crest of hill) and the east end of Timber Lane were of immediate concern. Estimates for repair were requested & received from Mid-State Asphalt regarding said roads along with repair to the culvert/s on Ebert Road. Motion was made by Sup. Wundrock/Chairman Curns to accept and approve the estimates submitted by Mid-State Asphalt one dated May 18th for the replacement and work dealing with two (2) culverts on Ebert Road and also the estimate for Timber Lane dated May 12th. Sup. Wundrock stipulated that these projects are to commence when feasible-weather-wise. Aye: 3 Motion carried. Otto Road repairs need to be put on hold until the Highway 54 bridge project is completed. (d)Road Shoulder Machine Bids: One bid was received from OWN LLC at \$2,700.00. Motion was made by Sup. Freeman/Sup. Wundrock to accept the bid of \$2,700.00 from OWN LLC. Motion carried. (e)Weight Limits: Chairman Curns opened the floor to those who would like to briefly speak on this issue. Officer James Murray introduced himself and then requested that he wanted to listen to the concerns of residents and business owners before making comments. Several residents and business owners (from Larry Road) had statements for the Board and those present. Alice Behnke, Larry Road stated she was mainly concerned with safety. Larry Road is mostly residential with some businesses near Highway 54. Mrs. Behnke gave a brief history of the issues and concerns and the changes from Class B to Six-Ton. Mrs. Behnke strongly feels that Larry Road should not be used a cut through

from Highway 54 to County Trunk X. Wayne Poppy, Faskell Road, introduced himself as a resident and business owner. Mr. Poppy is a plumber and does soil testing and is frustrated due to the fact that he must go very far out of his way to get onto a road that isn't restricted. Mr. Poppy stressed that there needs to be harmony between residents and business, but the roads need to be "usable" by everyone. Greg Wood, County Trunk X, is also a resident and business owner who echoed the statements of Mr. Poppy. Mr. Wood is frustrated that so many roads are limited. Mr. Wood felt that the main safety issue on Larry Road were the hills that at 45 mph makes it hard to see, especially if people are walking and don't get over. Mr. Wood felt that the milk trucks were mostly a concern in the spring, but felt that could be solved quickly if tickets were issued immediately. Chairman Curns was concerned that many County roads were posted, thus funneling traffic onto Town roads. Randy Behnke, Larry Road, emphasized that this issue was about safety. Mr. Behnke has lived on the road for 32 years and strongly feels the road is not a truck road. Mr. Behnke felt that businesses should follow smart growth and have businesses in industrial parks. Mr. Behnke thanked his wife for speaking up about her beliefs. Lynn Graichen, Highway 54, also agreed safety must come first. Mr. Graichen owns a business with 15 trucks, each with a highway tax paid, a County permit required, as well as a Town permit, with fuel costs it makes it hard to stay economically feasible. Possibly put up pedestrian signs or lower the speed limit. During the summer, need to go to the campgrounds more and it is costly going all the way to New London. Sue Wood, County Trunk X, a life-long resident, is concerned about safety, but is also concerned that trucks cannot get to the Pine Tree. Mrs. Wood emphasized that trucks are necessary, there is no other way to get products to where it is needed, she is concerned that the cost of materials will go up if businesses need to go far out of their way. After listening to comments, Inspector James Murray Wisconsin State Patrol commented that he must be impartial as his job is to enforce the rules in place. Inspector Murray understands the business owners concerns regarding costs, and hopes that issues between residents and business need to be resolved. Sup. Wundrock asked Mrs. Behnke what her biggest concern was. She emphasized that the amount of traffic and speed were her main concern. Motion was made by Chairman Curns to place this on next month's agenda so we can discuss this, come to a conclusion, and have the option to rescind or modify any weight limits in the town. Motion was seconded by Sup. Wundrock. Motion carried. (f)DOT Signboard-Results: DOT loaned the Town a Speed Signboard that was placed on several Town roads. Would like to try again.

Trails-Survey/Newsletter: Chairman Curns introduced a brief discussion into this topic, he did acknowledge that the Town has no funding for this type of project and it would solely rely on community involvement and much cooperation by property owners. Dan Deeg, Bean City Bar & Grill offered fundraiser space and would help form a committee to raise funds. Thanks! Dan. Chairman Curns would like the Town Plan Commission to look into this issue.

Waupaca County Zoning/Other Meetings: **Attended**: (1)Chairman Curns attended the April 23rd Waupaca County Zoning Hearing for Kurt & Brenda Otto-Ebert Rd. (2)Chairman Curns & Sup. Freeman attended the April 23rd Waupaca County Traffic Safety Commission Meeting held in Fremont. (3)Chairman Curns attended the May 6th WTA training session in Ripon. (4)Chairman Curns, Sup. Freeman and County Sup. Bob Flease were in attendance at the May 14th Waupaca County Hwy Commission Meeting held at the New London shop. (5)Sup. Wundrock attended the May 14th Waupaca County Zoning Public Hearing for Randy and Richard Scheid regarding nonmetallic mining-approved.

Upcoming: (1)May 21st Waupaca County Legislative & Judicial Committee Public Hearing-Ordinances. This issue concerns speed limits on the Wolf River-Chairman Curns is planning on attending. (2)May 21st Waupaca County Towns Association Meeting-Manawa. The Board, Clerk, Treasurer and Plan Commission Chair are planning on attending. (3)May 21st WIDOT US 45 Corridor Study-Clintonville: Chairman Curns attended a similar meeting-no Town participation necessary.

Operator License Approval-Wolf River Trips & Campground: Motion was made by Sup. Wundrock/Sup. Freeman to approve an Operator License for Andrew Foster for employment at Wolf River Trips & Campground. Motion carried.

NEW Town Website-www.Mukwa.us: Treasurer Grove wanted everyone to know that our new site is up and running, she also asked for anyone to contact her if they had additional ideas or suggestions for the site. Treasurer Grove advised that phone numbers and e-mails are on the site. If anyone has a picture to submit please contact Treasurer Grove.

Correspondence: Reviewed.

Motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Wundrock. Seconded by Supervisor Freeman. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeannette Zielinski, Municipal Clerk