

ANNUAL MEETING – April 23, 2013 – 7:00 pm

Mukwa Town Hall, E8514 Weyauwega Rd., Northport 16 in attendance (including Board/Treasurer/Clerk)
– 2 Non-Residents – including Town Attorney, Robert Sorenson.

Chairman Curns called the meeting to order.

Roll call of Officers: Jim Curns, Chairman – Present; Lee Shaw, Supervisor 1 – Present; Matt Manske, Supervisor 2 – Present; Brenda Grove, Treasurer – Present; Jeannette Zielinski, Clerk – Present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes of the April 10, 2012 Annual Meeting were approved with a motion by Cathy Stern. Second to the motion was made by Kate Hoffman. Aye (14) No (0). Motion carried.

2012 Annual Financial Report was reviewed by Clerk Zielinski, and questions were answered. Motion was made by Mike Wundrock to approve and accept the 2012 Annual Financial Report. Second to the motion was made by Al Hoffman. Aye(14) No (0). Motion carried.

Old Business:

(a)M Driftwood Road(cul-de-sac area)-Discussion/Possible Motion for Town Board to Purchase Land to Improve the Turn-Around Area for School Bus/Trash/Emergency Vehicles: Chairman Curns gave a follow-up to the situation. The property owner changed their mind and cancelled the sale and any further action.

Chairman Curns asked if there were any other additions to the Agenda-Old Business: None

New Business:

(a)Wolf River Preservation Presentation: Ginger Miller from the Wolf River Preservation Association was present to show a DVD and answer questions. Ginger advised that river clean-up will be held on Saturday, July 13th starting at Riverside Boat Launch. The group is always happy for help with this annual river clean-up. Please always feel free to contact Ginger or Mike Klatt with any questions. Clerk Zielinski has the DVD if anyone would like to view and forms are available at the Town Hall if anyone would like to become a member.

(b)Grader: Chairman Curns explained the situation on our current grader – transmission out. Discussion. Cost of repairs versus purchasing a different piece of equipment; obsolete parts; challenging to truly diagnose issue as it is needed to be taken apart in layers to find each component. Discussion on necessity of replacing grader versus other equipment. Found that there really were not a lot of options on used equipment available at this time. The Board members have been looking at ads & Supervisor Shaw found a grader for sale through Calumet County/Brooks Tractor (De Pere) – 1989 John Deere 772BH with a new transmission, 6-wheel drive with wing. Asking price is \$39,000, delivered. The Board and Maintenance Personnel, Gary Talady went to look at it on Monday, April 22nd. Discussion on what could be done with old grader & the fact that new tires were just put on the old grader. After discussion a motion was made by Supervisor Lee Shaw to offer \$37,000 for the John Deere JD772BH, delivered and to take \$29,239 from the Designated Equipment Funds and the remainder balance of \$7,761 from the Road Construction/Maintenance Fund. A second to the motion was made by Supervisor Matt Manske. Aye (14) No (0). Motion carried.

Chairman Curns asked if there were any other additions to the Agenda- Any Other New Business: Personal observations of those in attendance: Chairman Curns discussed the budget for paving Town roads, basically cuts in programs and cost of asphalt has made it challenging to keep up with road paving. Discussion on other options, Mike Wundrock mentioned overlay as a possibility. Gary Talady mentioned that chip/slurry sealing the newer roads prolongs the life of the road, but once a road starts to crack/alligator, then that process is a waste of money. Ken Jaeger felt that the best policy would be to get the road beds/ditches/fixes – road beds never seem to dry out, especially in the subdivisions. Drainage is important before spending money on repairs. Al Hoffman recommended that even though no one wants their taxes to go up, that Town taxes should be increased to help pay for repairs – explained that the Town does not set the tax levy, that is given to us by the Department of Revenue annually.

Motion was made by Jim Curns to set the 2014 Annual Meeting for April 22nd at 7:00 p.m. to be held at the Mukwa Town Hall. Second to the motion was made by Gary Talady. Aye (14) No (0). Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jim Curns. Second to the motion was made by Lloyd Stern. Aye (14) No (0). Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeannette Zielinski, Municipal Clerk

Minutes posted in the three designated places on May 1, 2013. I, Jeannette Zielinski, Mukwa Municipal Clerk do hereby certify to the posting of said Annual Minutes.

Jeannette Zielinski, Municipal Clerk