

## **Minutes of the Town of Round Lake Board Meeting April 14, 2016**

Present: Chairman David Sanders, Supervisors: Marilyn Karns, Rolfe Hanson, Kay Wilson, and Sandra Schara. Also Present: Clerk Kathy McCoy, Treasurer Vickie Palya and 3 audience members.

1.) Chairman Sanders called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance.

A.) Approval of Agenda.

Motion by Schara to approve Agenda as printed: Second by Karns. Motion carried.

B.) Certification of Meeting Posting.

Clerk McCoy certified that meeting agenda had been posted as required (Town website, Town Hall, Town Recycling Center) on April 7, 2016.

C.) Approval of Minutes; Regular Meeting March 10, 2016.

Motion by Wilson to approve minutes as printed: Second by Schara. Motion carried.

Items for Action, Discussion, Information:

A.) Audience Recognition – Comments Only.

Supervisor Wilson expressed concern that trash was left at recycling center during non –hours of operation. She questioned if responsible party had been identified. A large mess was created when bags were opened and garbage was scattered by animals. Sanders spoke with responsible party and they are sorry. Town Road Crew had at least one hour of time doing initial clean up. Additional clean-up of area is needed. Board consensus was that responsible party should be billed for garbage and cleanup cost. Additional clean up could be done by said party.

B.) Monthly Recycling Card Drawing.

Dave Robinson's name was drawn. He is awarded a free recycling punch card for use at the town recycling center.

C.) Cell Towner Expansion Information – Letter of Support.

Jenny Wickland addressed the board on effort to lobby for expanded cell phone service to this area. She has been circulating petitions and obtaining letters of support from various entities for expanded coverage to this area.

Supervisor Wilson reported that Norvado still owns the towers they put up several years ago in the area (including the Round Lake one). Norvado has not sold the towers but did sell the tower air space to a new company. This company's focus is on the expansion of broadband to area - not cell phone coverage. The board as a whole shared the history of its efforts to bring increased cell phone service to this area with Ms. Wickland.

Motion by Karns to provide Ms. Wickland with a letter of support for expansion of cell phone service to this area: Second by Hanson. Motion carried.

D.) Approval of Signage (Warning signs for bicycle travel on town roads) as recommended by Land Use Plan Commission.

Hanson reviewed proposed outlay of bicycle warning signs along with estimated sign cost. 11 bicycle warning/ route signs would be installed along traveled routes - estimated sign cost \$230.00. The Land Use Plan Commission has approved proposal.

Discussion on where actual placement of signs would be - additional cost for sign post - (metal or wood).

Motion by Schara to table to May 12, 2016 board meeting: Second by Karns. Motion carried.

E.) Road Easement Request Craig Cooper.

Mr. Cooper requested that in lieu of current easement he has across town property: "right to use for ingress and egress a four (4) rod right of way for road purpose along the section line or as close to one as possible depending on topography of land between the S ½ SE ½ of Section 29 and N ½ NE ½ of Section 32, Township 41 North, Range 7 West. Easement be changed to allow use of current road slightly North of section line. Mr. Cooper will pay for all cost of change to easement location including survey.

Motion by Karns to approve the requested easement location change contingent on getting a new survey of road location - Furthermore Mr. Cooper has permission to start to use new proposed easement road effective April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016: Second by Wilson. Motion carried.

F.) Replacement of Town Shop Heaters.

Shop Heaters are old to the point that it is becoming difficult to find parts to repair them. Andry Rasmussen provided the town with a proposal of cost to replace garage shop heaters – amount \$5,379.00. Discussion on seeking additional cost proposals from other vendors.

Motion by Schara to approve Rasmussen's proposal to replace shop heating units. Motion died for lack of a second.

Motion by Hanson that Town Chair Sanders seek additional proposals for replacement of garage heating system: Second by Wilson. Motion carried.

G.) Approval of Change Order (Moose Lake Dam Bridge approaches/ Guard Rails.

Motion by Wilson to approve Moose Lake Spillway Bridge change order (Complete Replacement of Guardrail on the East side of Louies Landing Road in current location & Additional 125 lineal feet of Asphalt Paving beyond the project limits at the South most edge of Project - cost-\$20,000): Second by Karns. Motion carried.

H.) Update Broadband seminar: Wilson

Wilson gave a brief overview on Broadband Seminar she attended on April 13, 2016. There is 1.5 million dollars of money available for broadband expansion. Applications for projects are due June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Government entities must partner with private entities on expansion projects to qualify for grant funding. Wilson suggested that if Town is interested we should look at gathering information needed to use in next years application process. (Would need a survey of what actual internet speeds are in the town). The subject will again be discussed at the next local WTA Meeting April 25<sup>th</sup> in Sand Lake.

I.) Review of Lake Ordinances by LUPC.

Board consensus was that the LUPC should not randomly start reviewing town ordinances without a well-defined goal or objective.

J.) Approval Town Hall Use – Clear Lake Property Association (May 28<sup>th</sup>, and Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016).

Motion by Schara to approve Town Hall Use Clear Lake Property Association: Second by Hanson. Motion carried.

K.) Boat Landing Improvements and ADA Dock update.

Sanders reported that DNR is reviewing permits for improvements to Moose Lake Club and Wolf Island Boat Landing. Wilson contacted owner of adjacent land (Busse Road Boat Landing) about donating additional land to the town for landing expansion and ADA dock. No commitment given. Wilson and Schara will continue to work on ADA boat dock site and possible funding.

L.) Proposed Road Work 2016.

No plan at present - will review at Road Inspection Meeting April 22, 2016.

M.) Alternative Energy review town buildings/ Energy Audit.

Motion by Hanson to approve hiring of Energy Solutions (Kevin Myer) to perform energy audit of town building at a cost not to exceed \$500.00: Second by Wilson. Jump River Electric should cover \$300.00 of cost.

Dave Arnett was present and indicated he would do site assessment of town building for solar electric system possibilities at no cost.

Motion by Hanson to have Dave Arnett submit a proposal - possible solar electric systems and /or energy saving light changes to town buildings: Second by Schara. Motion carried.

N.) Possible Meeting Date Change – Road Inspection.

Date to remain the same April 22, 2016 @ 9: 00 A.M. - following inspection board will discuss and approve proposed road work for 2016.

O.) Fire Department Report: Schmidt 1.) Written Monthly Report.

Schmidt not present – no runs during the month of March.

P.) Clerk's Report: McCoy. 1.) To date budget reports. 2.) Account balances.

McCoy provided board with written budget reports. All accounts are in balance with treasurer. Voter turnout for the Spring and Presidential Preference election held on April 5, 2016 was high. Election officials did a fantastic job.

Q.) Treasurer's Report: Palya. 1.) Monthly Receipts, Vouchers, and Account Balances.

Balance March 1, 201 \$985,466.14. Receipts: Money Market Interest –High Yield \$64.04. General Receipts \$829.76. Recycling Site \$1,267.00. Town of Hunter – Fire Dues \$8,000.00. Total Receipt \$10,160.80. Disbursements: General Disbursements \$26,652.22. WITC \$61,392.30. Sawyer County Highway Dept. \$5,324.16. Total Disbursements \$34,976.38. Balance as of March 31, 2016 \$950,650.56. Checking Account 404.87. Money Market High Yield \$697,245.69. Paving Reserve CD Bank Mutual \$150,000. Equipment Reserve CD Bank Mutual \$113,000.00. Total \$960,650.56. Reserves: Performance Bonds \$400.00. Dog Licenses \$774.00. Total Reserves \$1,174.00.

R.) Approval of Checks/ Vouchers as listed.

Motion by Karns to approve checks/ vouchers 30269 – 30327: Second by Schara. Motion carried.

S.) Correspondence: Action if required. Miscellaneous Information – No action required.

T.) Adjourn.

Motion by Hanson to adjourn at 8:12 p.m.: Second by Schara. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy McCoy, Clerk