

Board Meeting
October 13, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Fred Belay, Chair, at 6:30 pm at the Town of Union town hall. People in attendance were: Supervisors – Jeff Bechard, Jeff Whyte, Deb Smith, Gloria Bloom, Clerk Beverly Christopherson, Deputy Clerk Kala Eslinger and see attached list of visitors. Treasurer Polly Jensen was at meeting, arrived after it was called to order.

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Plan Commission: Nothing to report their meeting was cancelled due to nothing on agenda.

Storm Water Agreement: Town Board went over the agreement with the changes by Deb Smith and Fred Belay. Question that was asked is if the Town wants to proceed with this. Town Board would like NR216 WI Admin Code to make final decision. Per Kelly Jacobs if they have by the first of the year that is fine. Town Board asked to table till the next meeting.

Roads – Updates – Decisions: Jeff Whyte asked if we received bill from Scotts yet, at this time no bill has been received. All work is done and everything is ok.

Youth Forest Land: Rick Remington was present at the meeting to answer any questions on the Land Trust. Fred Belay's questions as follows: Page 5, section H, #2 – should that have the work provided, yes it is a typo. Page 8, section D – cost of enforcement – that is standard language on template. Each party is responsible. Page 8, section E – Waiver of certain defenses – means: can't do regardless of what other parties say. Page 10, Section 7.7, B – Easement distinguished – Both can agree or a Higher Court can distinguish. Reasonable expenses – Court costs, mostly responsible for maintaining property and depends what the share is, example 70/30. Gloria Bloom had a question for Rick Remington. She asked what Rick's costs were for: He stated that he oversees and explains what needs to be taken care of – sort of an inspection. Keeps compliant with easement, this is a yearly inspection. Page 11, section C, Permit a parking lot for Youth Forest. Rick Remington stated that what it shows on the map seems to be an adequate area if they have to add a pavilion or park structure in the future. On page 15 – legal description of property – will be getting a title commitment from the title company – Rick Remington's fees of \$10,000 are already budgeted.

Kiwanis Land: Rick Remington also mentioned that there might be an opportunity to get a grant to purchase the land that is west of the youth forest land. A Community Forest Grant is available and administered by the USDA. Fred Belay will look into what all needs to be done and if the land is available for purchase.

Potential New Ordinances: Large Group Assemblies- >1,000 People: Fred Belay talked with Attorney Hibbard regarding an ordinance for the Town of Union. Town of Washington has one we can look at and change to what the Town would like mentioned. Sheriff's department would have to help enforce this at the assemblies. Town Board will table and go over Town of Washington's.

Fire Station Report: Dave Kleist was present and let the board know that they had a lot of runs around 320. They received a 300 gallon diesel container donated to them, it would be for skid steer and tractor, they are working on getting it licensed – above ground tanks need licensing. Should not be a problem as it is double wall. The Fire Station would like to connect to the Towns Internet that would save them \$600, Town Board approved. The Mud Run on the Jam grounds went over really well. The new UTV worked very well for this. The leak on the roof is fixed.

Building Inspector: Town was given the Report that was left by Al Balsiger listing building permits given.

Board Reports – MPO – Nothing to report, Fred Belay to give information to Jeff Bechard –**Town Association** – next meeting is October 29th and that is the picnic.

Tourism – Nothing to report, Fire **Board** – The budget will be the same as last year, copy was submitted to all board members. Tower will be this year yet. **Trails Committee** – Working on parking lot.

Citizens Input & Questions – No questions or comments at the meeting.

Review/approval previous meeting's minutes: Gloria Bloom made a motion to accept the minutes with the spelling corrections noted by Deb Smith, Gloria Bloom, and Fred Belay. Deb Smith seconded the motion. All approve, motion carries.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurers reports were handed in for September and October to Board members. No questions or comments.

Review/Approval of bills: Deb Smith made a motion to approve payment of bills submitted and Gloria Bloom seconded it. All approve, motion carries.

Licenses – Operators, etc.: Operators licenses

Constables Report: Russ Johnson was not present at the meeting but he did meet with the Town Clerk and ask her to report to the Town Board that the Happy Pooch Dog Day Care has taken care of all the items the Town requested. He is going to visit the dog grooming shop.

Town Properties Updates: Nothing on the bridge at this time, Jeff Bechard is still trying to get a hold of person to work on bridge. Need quotes on painting the doors on the Town Hall. Will look into the price to replace the ceiling tiles in the Town Hall.

Set next meeting dates, agendas: Next Board Meeting will be November 10th. Budget Workshop will be October 19th at 4:30pm.

Gloria Bloom made a motion to adjourn. Fred Belay seconded the motion. Unanimously approved. Adjourn 8:20pm