

## MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF WASHINGTON BIMONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING

February 7, 2008

A quorum being present Chrm. Hanson called to order the bimonthly Town Board meeting of the Washington Town Board at 7:00 p.m., on Thursday, February 7, 2008, at the Town Municipal Building, 5750 Old Town Hall Road.

Members Present: Thomas Hanson, George Losby, Donald Perry, Michael Stacy, and Karen Tomesh

Staff Present: Kimberley Bunderson, Janelle Henning, and Micheal Peterson

Members/Staff Absent: None

Minutes: Supv. Tomesh moved TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 3, 2008 BIMONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING. The motion was seconded by Supv. Perry.  
Aye 5, Nay 0

Public Hearing  
Ed Bohn: Chrm. Hanson opened the public hearing to amend a conditional use permit 2006-38 requested by Ed Bohn for a planned commercial development to add a public hall and outdoor market. The property is located on the east side of Mayer Road (County Highway AA) just south of US Highway 12, 2.2 acres.

Todd Andrews, Eau Claire County Planning and Development, reviewed County Staff recommendations which concluded that the proposed planned commercial development can be found to meet the standards for conditional use permits, the standards for Planned Unit Developments, and can be found to be consistent with the purpose of the zoning ordinance if appropriate conditions are attached to the permit. The report included 13 conditions which included approval of a no parking zone on Mayer Road by the Highway Commission, designated area for overflow parking, flea markets and auctions not to be operated simultaneously, flea markets to be held indoors only, rearranging the businesses within the building, and a security fence be added around the property.

Ed Bohn expressed his preference for wanting the outdoor market. He stated that he would only have vendors who took pride in their merchandise. Mr. Bohn does not want to move the auction hall due to the plumbing and cost efficient-ness for future retail businesses. He believes the cement wall and an office against that wall should be sufficient for noise control.

Clint Heiman, 3452 Mayer Road, spoke in opposition. He expressed concerns with traffic on Mayer Road, overflow parking and leaking fluids into the soil, and noise from outside speakers.

Three letters and two calls in opposition were reviewed.

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Ed Bohn Cont.: Supv. Stacy moved TO RECOMMEND TO THE EAU CLAIRE COUNTY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE DENIAL OF ED BOHN'S REQUEST FOR AMENDMENT TO CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 2006-38 FOR A PLANNED COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT TO ADD A PUBLIC AUCTION HALL AND OUTDOOR MARKET. The motion was seconded by Supv. Perry.

Aye 5, Nay 0

Emergency Medical Service Ambulance Agreement: Chief Kassing informed the Board that the City of Altoona has voted and agreed to contract with Eau Claire Fire Department for Emergency Medical Services. In regards to the contract with the Town of Washington, Chief Kassing agreed to reduce the response time to 15 minutes 90 percent of the time. Eau Claire Fire Department Emergency Response will have three ambulances and three engines. Plus, he confirmed that the customer would have the choice of which hospital they wish to go to.

Supv. Perry moved TO APPROVE THE CITY OF EAU CLAIRE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE AMBULANCE AGREEMENT PROVIDED IT IS REVIEWED BY JOHN HIBBARD, THE TOWN'S ATTORNEY. The motion was seconded by Supv. Stacy.

Aye 5, Nay 0

Eau Claire County Assignment Agreement: Mr. Andrews introduced the proposal to provide addressing for the Town of Washington. With the 2010 Census coming up, Eau Claire County is prepared to take over addressing the new residents and correcting those with potential locating problems.

Peter Strand and Keith Stelzig, from the County Staff Planning and Development Department, emphasized their desire for the Town to post address numbers on poles at the end of residents' driveways to help emergency crews.

Supv. Stacy moved TO ALLOW EAU CLAIRE COUNTY TO ASSIGN THE TOWN OF WASHINGTON ADDRESSES. The motion was seconded by Supv. Perry.

Aye 5, Nay 0

Clerk/Treasurer's Report: Supv. Stacy moved TO TRANSFER FUNDS (\$128,129.00) FROM M & I BANK TO THE STATE INVESTMENT FUND. The motion was seconded by Supv. Perry.

The December Financial Statement was submitted for review.

Clerk/Treasurer Henning reported that the Town has finished collecting taxes and has collected approximately \$6.9 million.

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- Clerk/Treasurer's Report Cont.: February 19<sup>th</sup> Presidential Preference Primary Election is coming up and Clerk/Treasurer Henning is holding a poll worker training session on February 12th.
- Virchow Krause & Company, LLP will be auditing the Town on February 13 & 14 and is asking the Board to contact them if they would like to include anything specific.
- Checks: Supv. Perry moved TO APPROVE CHECKS #17684 THROUGH #17819 TOTALING \$2,943,299.90. The motion was seconded by Supv. Tomesh.  
Aye 5, Nay 0
- License: Supv. Tomesh moved TO APPROVE THE BARTENDER'S LICENSE FOR SHANNON KALINA. The motion was seconded by Supv. Perry.  
Aye 5, Nay 0
- Administrator's Report: Admr. Peterson informed the Board that the crew has been doing a lot of snow plowing. He explained the Town plows at night to avoid heavy traffic. The crew uses a 5.5 percent mix of salt verses sand.
- Thirty-nine parking tickets have been issued. Four accidents and three fires have been responded to.
- Chairman's Report: Chrm. Hanson would like the Board to work on the Municipal Code Update soon.
- Supervisor's Report: None.
- Plan Commission: Supv. Tomesh commented that their January 23rd meeting was a very productive one. They completed the Future Land Use Map and their next meeting will be in May.
- Citizen's Input: No citizen's input.
- Future Zoning Requests: None.
- Items for Next Meeting's Agenda: Lawsuit Update, Rezoning request made by Eau Claire County Parks & Forest Department, Cooperative Bike Lanes

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Adjournment: Supv. Perry moved TO ADJOURN. The motion was seconded by Supv. Tomesh. The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.  
Aye 5, Nay 0

THE BOARD'S NEXT MEETING WILL BE THURSDAY,  
FEBRUARY 21, 2008, AT THE TOWN MUNICIPAL BUILDING,  
5750 OLD TOWN HALL ROAD.



Kimberley Bunderson  
Administrative Assistant

Attendance: Todd Andrews, Ardell Bauman, Ed Bohn, Clint Heiman, Ed Kassing, Keith Stelzig,  
and Peter Strand