

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF WASHINGTON BIMONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING

March 6, 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, March 06, 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. Stacy moved TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 21, 2008 BIMONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING WITH THE CORRECTION OF INDIVIDUALS USED INSTEAD OF RESIDENTS UNDER PEDESTRIAN/BIKE TRAIL. The motion was seconded by Supv. Tomesh. Aye 5, Nay 0

Rescinding Recommendation: Supv. Perry moved TO RESCIND THE PRIOR MOTION ON ED BOHN'S REQUEST TO AMEND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 2006-38 FOR A PLANNED COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT TO INCLUDE A PUBLIC AUCTION HALL AND OUTDOOR MARKET. The motion was seconded by Supv. Stacy. The roll call vote was as follows: Chrm. Hanson – Aye, Supv. Losby – Aye, Supv. Perry – Aye, Supv. Stacy – Aye, and Supv. Tomesh – Aye. Aye 5, Nay 0

Ed Bohn's Request to Amend Conditional Use Permit: Supv. Tomesh moved TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO AMEND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 2006-38 PROVIDED ALL CONDITIONS GIVEN COUNTY BY THE EAU CLAIRE ARE MET. The motion was seconded by Supv. Perry. Aye 5, Nay 0

No Parking Area- Arndt Lane: Admin. Peterson stated that he met with John Staszczuk, Eau Claire Parks & Forest Director, and Tom Walther, Eau Claire Highway Commissioner, and reported they were still in the process working on the no parking zone. Admin. Peterson would like to wait to take action on this until the Town receives request in writing.

Rescinding Approval: Supv. Losby moved TO RESCIND THE PRIOR MOTION ON THE PEDESTRIAN/BIKE TRAIL LOCATION INVOLVING JOANNE LANE AND EAST SHORE DRIVE. The motion was seconded by Supv. Tomesh. The roll call vote was as follows: Chrm. Hanson – Aye, Supv. Losby – Aye, Supv. Perry – Aye, Supv. Stacy – Aye, and Supv. Tomesh – Aye. Aye 5, Nay 0

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- Pedestrian/Bike Trail Discussion And Action: Supv. Perry moved TO APPROVE THE LOCATION OF THE ON-STREET PEDESTRIAN/BIKE TRAIL AS PROPOSED BY ALTOONA OUTDOORS FOR JOANNE LANE AND EAST SHORE DRIVE. The motion was seconded By Supv. Losby.
Aye 5, Nay 0
- Update on City/Town Lawsuit: Chairman Hanson reported that the lawsuit with the City of Eau Claire has been filed. The Town has partnered with the City on the Ambulance Contract; however, working together still has its challenges.
- E.C. County Wind Energy System Ordinance: Todd Andrews, Eau Claire County Planning and Development, reviewed the wind energy ordinance. Supv. Perry moved TO APPROVE THE REQUEST OF EAU CLAIRE COUNTY FOR A NEW ORDINANCE ON WIND ENERGY SYSTEMS. The motion was seconded by Supv. Tomesh.
Aye 5, Nay 0
- Clerk/Treasurer's Position Update: Supv. Tomesh presented a draft of the Clerk/Treasurer job description, a wage comparison report, and a report comparing the employee benefits for an elected vs. an appointed position. Supv. Tomesh, Supv. Stacy, and Clerk/Treasurer Henning compiled this information as requested by the Board. Supv. Tomesh asked the Board to review the draft and let them know of any questions or recommendations at the next meeting.
- Clerk/Treasurer's Report: None.
- Checks: Supv. Perry moved TO APPROVE CHECKS #17856 THROUGH #17909 TOTALING \$33,247.47. The motion was seconded by Supv. Tomesh.
Aye 5, Nay 0
- Licenses: No licenses requested.
- Administrator's Report: Admr. Peterson testified before the State Senate Committee on Assembly Bill 423 (extraterritorial plat approval on basis of land use).

Admr. Peterson attended a storm water management forum where a State grant for public education on storm water management was discussed.

The Town has received a few complaints from residents about mailboxes being popped off during snow removal, which cannot be avoided due to heavy ice buildup. The Town has also received many complaints about residents' yards being peeled and sprinklers being hit within the Town's right-of-way of 66 feet.

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Administrator's Report cont. Eight parking tickets were issued. One vehicle was towed. One accident was responded to.

The Town has been notified that the former Unity Health Club has been annexed to the City of Eau Claire.

Chairman's Report: Chrm. Hanson would like to see a packet of information provided to the Board prior to the Board Meetings.

He requested that revisions to the Municipal Code that are being considered at the next Board Meeting be sent to the Board for review prior to the meeting.

Supervisor's Report: None.

Plan Commission: Supv. Tomesh stated the next meeting would be in May.

Citizen's Input: No citizen's input.

Future Zoning Requests: None.

Items for Next Meeting's Agenda: None.

Adjournment: Supv. Losby moved TO ADJOURN. The motion was seconded by Supv. Tomesh. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Aye 5, Nay 0

THE BOARD'S NEXT MEETING WILL BE THURSDAY,
MARCH 20, 2008, AT THE TOWN MUNICIPAL BUILDING,
5750 OLD TOWN HALL ROAD.



Kimberley Bunderson
Administrative Assistant

Attendance: Gary Zanko, Ray Henning, Ed Bohn, Tyson Lang, Vince & Betty Conaway, Clint Heiman, Colleen Weber, Todd Olson, Matt Weber, Bruce Burandt, Mary Holmes, Lorraine Kosakoski, Todd Andrews and others