

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF WASHINGTON BI-MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING

October 1, 2009

Members Present: Micheal Peterson, Karen Tomesh, Donald Perry, Michael Stacy, Charles Bauer

Staff Present: Janelle Henning, Diane Krinkie

Members/Staff Absent:

A quorum being present Chrm. Peterson called to order the bi-monthly Town Board meeting of the Washington Town Board at 7:00 p.m., on Thursday, October 1, 2009, at the Town Municipal Building, 5750 Old Town Hall Road.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Minutes:

Supv. Bauer moved TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 17, 2009 BI-MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING. The motion was seconded by Supv. Perry.

Aye 5 Nay 0

Administrators Report:

Shouldering has been completed on the newly constructed roads. A letter was sent out earlier this week to residents in the Corydon Park area, there will be tree trimming in that neighborhood beginning the second week in October. There are clearance issues in the neighborhood in regards to our equipment; we will be doing some trimming to remove some trees and vegetation. The Town has received a number of complaints related to vision triangles at intersections of Stein and Grover, Cottonwood and East Lowes Creek Road as well as the Grover Road area. Admin. Henning will be communicating some criteria in regards to site distances that are needed in those areas per safety standards. The Town of Washington will help to assist with maintaining the vision triangles in those areas.

Winterizing operations have begun for the Cemetery.

Admin. Henning stated she received quotes to repair the roof on the west wall in the Fire Station due to leaking issues in the stairway area; repairs will be scheduled this fall. There is another area of the roof on the building which may need similar repairs and would be scheduled for next summer.

Admin. Henning testified in Madison on Wednesday in regards to Senate Bill 117 on Assembly Bill 260. Both the Senate and Assembly committees met together, the bill is attempting to reverse the Woods vs. Madison case in relation to prohibiting land splits based on land use. Admin. Henning will draft letter to our Representatives in support of this case and notify Board members when complete.

2010 Budget:

Shared revenues from the State of Wisconsin are going down and transportation aids are going up slightly. The health insurance premiums will increase 16.56% in 2010. Health Traditions will continue to carry the dental component with the health insurance. The Fire Department will have a zero increase; the Library expense will be furnished at the next meeting; the 2009 budget cycle for gas and oil was raised significantly due to the market, however it appears to be less volatile. Admin. Henning proposed for 2010 a 2 percent salary increase for hourly employees and a 1.5 percent salary increase for salaried employees and recommended sharing the health insurance premium increase at a 93/7 split. Open enrollment for health insurance elections will be October 5 – 26, 2009.

Chrm. Peterson moved TO APPROVE A 2 PERCENT INCREASE FOR HOURLY EMPLOYEES AND 1.5 PERCENT INCREASE FOR SALARIED EMPLOYEES AND HEALTH CARE CONTRIBUTION AT A 93/7 PERCENT FOR EMPLOYER AND EMPLOYEE IN 2010. The motion was seconded by Supv. Perry.

Admin. Henning called a Board Member Roll Call Vote to approve a 2 percent increase for hourly employees and 1.5 percent increase for salaried employees and Health Care contribution at a 93/7 percent for employer and employee in 2010. Supv. Bauer – Aye, Supv. Perry – Aye, Supv. Stacy – Aye, Supv. Tomesh – Aye, Chrm. Peterson – Aye.

Budget Needs:

A traffic signal at Hwy 93 and II is included in the 2010 budget with an approximate figure of \$5,500. The sign budget will need to increase by three to four thousand dollars to begin implementing the retro-reflectivity standards we need to meet by 2015.

Clerk/Treasurer's Report:

No report.

Checks:

Supv. Perry moved TO APPROVE CHECKS #19549 THROUGH #19579 TOTALING \$53,117.01. The motion was seconded by Supv. Tomesh.

Aye 5 Nye 0

License:

Supv. Tomesh moved TO APPROVE THE BARTENDER'S LICENSE FOR BARBARA J. PETERSON, JEREMY P. SUTTON, AND DAN L. SMITH. The motion was seconded by Supv. Stacy.

Aye 5 Nye 0

Chairman's Report:

The Chairman from the Towns of Washington, Wheaton, Brunswick, Pleasant Valley, Seymour, and Union held a conference call with Jon Stockham Monday night regarding the Intergovernmental Agreement. During the meeting the Chairman discussed setting up a commission made up of three public elected officials from the City and three public elected officials from the Towns. In addition, one neutral party from outside the area would be added to be a swing vote in case of a deadlock decision after the Commission hears the proposed changes to the Intergovernmental Agreement. The Towns will be working to establish a second proposal to give back to the City.

Supervisor's Report:

No report.

Citizen's Input:

None

Future Zoning Requests:

None

Items for Next Meeting's Agenda:

Supervisors Tomesh and Stacy will not be in attendance at the November 5 meeting.

Adjournment:

Supv. Tomesh moved TO ADJOURN. The motion was seconded by Supv. Perry. The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

THE BOARD'S NEXT MEETING WILL BE AT 7:00 P.M. ON
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2009, AT THE TOWN MUNICIPAL BUILDING,
5750 OLD TOWN HALL ROAD.

Diane Krinkie,
Deputy Clerk

Attendance: Darrell Dokkestul