

Roll Call: Dennis Ferstenou, Frank Braswell, Randy Woodruff, Ruth Knapp, Laurie Hebert

Motion by Dennis to approve January 16, 2017 minutes with correction Item C under new business; (County provides 2 zonings at no charge per year, not 3), seconded by Randy.

Dennis yes

Frank yes

Randy yes

**Clerk's Report:** Primary on Tuesday, and April 4, 2017 are only elections this year. Will continue to have all upstairs. Would like to have the voting booths downstairs removed at a later date. Like to see the town purchase a microwave for the kitchen. With rentals and when elections workers here all day would be a good asset.

**Treasurer's Report:** Collected \$3,355,803.36 for 2016 property taxes.

MM: \$286,989.98

Tax: \$1015.84

MM Town Equip: \$38,918.48

MM Fire Equip.: \$60,506.61

MM Fire Dept.: \$103,887.60

**Review/Approve Check Register:** Motion by Frank to approve check register for \$3,175,597.43, seconded by Dennis.

Dennis yes

Frank yes

Randy yes

**Communications/Meetings Attended:** Randy attended Wisconsin Town Association Unit meeting on January 28, 2017 in the Town of Ruby. Discussion on budget changes and Ag. A lot of meth problems in Chippewa County. WAPA present went over Paser manual would like to see more of a description on road rating with more detail. Use of thinner overlays will extend road life especially if cracks do not go all the way through. County does minimum of 3 ½ of asphalt on main roads. County is planning on doing County Hwy B summer of 2017.

**Public Comment:** None

**Chairman's Report:** District meeting coming up March 25, 2017, board members let Laurie know who wants to attend. Road bans on as of noon today. Oversized load permit forms can be authorized by board members. At the January board meeting the board voted to purchase a flat screen TV for meetings. We used it for the Planning Commission meeting on February 13, 2017 and worked well to view the maps for rezones. This will allow more information for the audience to view and less paper to print out for board members. Please thank Ron and Randy Woodruff for picking up and installing the TV.

**Fire Chief's Report:** Water rescue trailer is here and have started training which will go over the next month. Calls have been low.

**Planning Commission Chairman's Report:** South west part of town rezone request recommended by the Plan Commission (PC) with changes. Chippewa County gravel pit renewal recommended with changes. Comprehensive Plan book is complete and available for viewing, also will be on the website, book can be purchased too.

**Old Business:**

A. Discuss/take action Ordinance 2017-1: Dennis said board approved updated Comprehensive Plan in December 2016. This ordinance will adopt the changes to the plan. Motion by Dennis to adopt Ordinance 2017-1 for Comprehensive Plan updates to the original 2008 plan, seconded by Frank.

Dennis yes

Frank yes

Randy yes

B. Update on fire department space needs study: Dennis said CBS Squared should have studies completed for an addition to existing or a new space by the March board meeting. Public can give input, plan is to then have any changes or revisions discussed at the annual meeting in April.

**New Business:**

A. Discuss/take action PC recommendation for zoning changes in southwest section of the town: Chippewa County Zoning approached PC to look at this area which is one of few remaining areas zoned mostly R-2 with single family homes. PC recommended rezone changes from R-2 & R-3 to AG, R-1, Local Commercial, and Highway Commercial with changes. Michael and Charity Zich: R-2 to Ag; Roger & Connie Klimek existing duplex to remain R-2; Chandler-Wilbert Vault Co., Dick Sykora is present from Wilbert tonight, expressed preference to County to have all of their parcels zoned Industrial. County however with no plans for these lots denied this request. The front parcels, vacated Right-of-Way lot, Lots 1 and 2 as Industrial. All remaining lots will be rezoned R-1. Then can at a later date request a petition to rezone. A triangle parcel owned by Ojibwa will change to light commercial. Parcel zoned R-3 owned by a church will change to R-1, church can still be built on. Motion by Dennis to recommend to County Zoning above changes, seconded by Frank.

Dennis yes

Frank yes

Randy yes

B. Discuss/take action on PC recommendation on proposed Chippewa County (CC) Highway Dept. Non-metallic Mine Conditional Use Permit (CUP) 2016-0014: Dennis said PC recommended approval with request to form some sort of berm or vegetation on the north side. Request came from Leonard Sykora who owns the property adjacent to the north of the pit. The pit currently has vegetation and trees on the west and north ends. The pit has been closed and CC will be re-opening going down 40 ft. will be done in stages with the last cell in the upper north east corner. When done the north east corner will have a pad to sell for a building site.

Doug Clary from CC Zoning said no top soil to plant anything for a berm. Dennis said hearing for this is this Thursday at CC. Reclamation will be discussed at CC on Thursday. Jeff Bowe said if build a berm, some vegetation will eventually grow. Rick added it will be lake after and they will have to bring in top soil to go over the lake, can put some of this on the north side for planting.

Motion by Randy to recommend approval for CUP 2016-0014 with at least two rows of pines on the north end planted and maintained, any dead pines must be replaced, seconded by Dennis.

Dennis yes

Frank yes

Randy yes

C. Discuss/take action on Road Ditch Clean-up Project from Chippewa County: Laurie said we have done this the last two years and is a good program to participate in. County will reimburse up to \$500 for items. Motion by Dennis to sign agreement to participate in, seconded by Frank.

Dennis yes

Frank yes

Randy yes

D. Discuss/take action on early bidding or repaving east and west sections of Clear Lake Rd.: Dennis said last year we pulverized and put geo-grid in from 200<sup>th</sup> to 185<sup>th</sup> and let set. Culverts were also replaced and another section of geo-grid. We had soil borings done from the County to help determine the areas. Asphalt pricing is supposed to less this year and usually if you get bids earlier pricing is better. Dennis would like to see us solicit bids for Clear Lake Rd. on the east end and ask for alternate bid for the west end. We could do our road check earlier to determine other areas and have bids held for 60 days. Clear Lake (182<sup>nd</sup>. Ave.), is approximately 3.2 miles. Randy would like to use caution on spending all the budget on this road, we may have others needing crack filling which as he stated prior at the unit meeting is a great preventative measure. Motion by Dennis to solicit bids early for the east end of Clear Lake Rd. and an alternate bid for the west end with not less than 2 ½ inches of asphalt, seconded by Randy.

Dennis yes

Frank yes

Randy yes

E. Discuss/take action on Bartender/Liquor/Picnic Licenses: Laurie said Rebecca L. Jamieson for Fitzwells, and Megan N. Schuknect for O'Neil Creek Campground have applied for operators licenses. Applications all filled out correctly, background checks OK, and monies have been paid. Motion by Frank to approve, seconded by Randy.

Dennis yes

Frank yes

Randy yes

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm on Monday February 2017