

January 11, 2011 **January Meeting Minutes**

Town of Lincoln
Board Meeting Minutes
Jan.11,2011

Board Members Present: Dick Thomer, Tom Finta, ,Dave Rogers, Judith Johnson and Debra Langreck,Josh Mauritz and Carol Szymanski.

Approve the Minutes of the previous meeting: Dick Thomer called the meeting to order and explained the Board needed a few minutes to review Decembers meeting minutes. They did not receive a copy before the meeting due to computer issues.Tom Finta made a motion to accept minutes with noted changes .Dave Rogers seconded the motion.Motion carried.

An update was given on the Townships computer issues. It was discovered the Bookkeeper accounting program had not been updated for several years. Due to no upgrades being performed, the program was not compatible with the new computer operating system.

Several attempts were done to try to upgrade with a newer version of Bookkeeper but this was unsuccessful, with so many upgrades missed.A new accounting program will need to be purchased for the Township.

Treasurer's Report: The financial report was prepared and read by Carol Szymanski,,which included the following totals:

Town of Lincoln-November ending balance:\$33,026.66

December Disbursements-\$239,197.46 -December Income-\$213,402.23

December ending balance-\$7,231.43.

Town of Lincoln Fire Dept.: November Ending Balance-\$1,324.23

December Disbursements-\$5,170.07- December Income-\$6,410.44

December Ending Balance- \$2,564.60

Invested Money-CDs-Road Work Fund- M&I-\$27,111.39

Road Machinery Fund-Time Federal Savings-\$9,905.90

Fire Dept. Dept. CD-Time Federal Savings-\$27,548.17

Passbook Savings Account-Falcon Road Fund-\$75,676.98

Working Account-(Now Tax Deposits)

Heritage Bank-\$390,307.06, M&I Bank Tax Acct.-\$309,519.18

Liabilities-Occupancy Surcharge Fee-(7) at \$1,000 each

Balance on Fire Truck-\$35,783.54 (plus interest)

Carol explained to us how much the Town of Lincoln receives from taxes paid in:

We pay in,\$2,300.619.64, the Marshfield School District gets 49.9% of the money which is in the amount of \$1,149.179.55. Town of Lincoln gets only 13%,which is \$300,626.00. Midstate receives. 8%,State gets approx.0.9% and Wood County gets 27%.

Motion by Judy Johnson to accept Treasurers report and Josh Mauritz seconded the motion. M/C.

Accounts Payables:Read and prepared by Deb Langreck. Discussion on selecting a support and maintenance plan for the Voting Equipment-DS200.

Motion by Tom Finta to accept Payables and seconded by Dave Rogers. M/C.

Standing Committees:

No permits issued.

Fire Department:Read by Tom Finta. January 6 was the Fire Department meeting. Chris Reigel has stepped down as Rocks chief. Jeff Meinders is the new chief. Three people will be taking Firefighter1 in January. There is a dry hydrant in Chili frozed up.

Calls for the month: shed fire on Hwy 10 and 1 CO2 call as well as 6 first responder calls.

The rescue has a cracked windshield, have to check the insurance policy if it is covered. In October, when they were renewing the Medical 1st Responders license the Fire Chief reassigned the job of Service Director from Janet Bell to Grace Herkert after discussing it with them. Tom Herkert made a motion to adjourn,Steve Rachu seconded the motion.

Public Input:

Tom B. asked about all the overpayments being refunded to residents for their taxes. Carol explained this was because our taxes didn't go up and we received checks which were for amounts larger than they should be. Frank asked about Board wages on the Payables report and was told they were for three months. A new resident asked about the recycling only being on the schedule once a month. He was told if he needed to recycle more often he could take his recycling to Veolia, show his red card and drop the recycling off at Veolia.

Road Work 2011: Josh and Tom worked on a spread sheet for Road work 2011.They talked about the benefits of slag sealing some roads,it's cheaper.

They would like to get bids on 1000 yards of base coarse and dust control and crack fill.

These three items we could get estimates on now, and they would have to be put in paper only once because they are under 25,000. The bids could be discussed in February's meeting.

It was suggested to change the title for the Falcon Road Fund to Road Work Fund As this fund is nearly empty, by the time we get enough money to fill the fund

it could be used for other road projects.

Playground and Fencing Area: Looking at purchasing a snowblower for tractor because Andy does not have much area to push the snow. An idea would be to move some playground equipment, but it is cemented in. With more discussion, it was discovered it would benefit the Town as there are more uses for the snowblower for the Township in keeping snow cleared. Tom had two estimates for new snowblowers they were \$4,200. and 5,950. Dick said for everyone to think about and discuss at Feb. meeting. Tom noted the baby swing is broke and needs to be replaced.

Nude dancing ordinance: Judy has been doing some research on looking for the old Ordinances and received a letter from the attorneys' office who worked with our township in the past, the attorney originally working on this is no longer there. Judy got an form from Wisconsin Towns' Assoc. She will type up a draft for the Ordinance for nude dancing and liquor license. An attorney will be asked to look at the drafts of both ordinances.

Credit card for clerk and treasurer: Looking for a credit card with no annual fees and discounts/cash back features. Carol bought information on Office Max, Dick will check out the card and look at others. Dick Thomer will need to sign for the credit cards as he is the chairman

New software and back-up services; New accounting software and the need for daily back-ups done with a Service who provides this on line. We need an accounting program which meets the needs of the Township for having payroll, taxes, accounting ledger, receivables and payables plus reliability. Judy said she would help Deb find a accounting program. Josh Mauritz made a motion to authorize Deb to spend up to 750.00 for an accounting software program and annual maintenance fees. Tom Finta seconded the motion. M/C.

2010 Budget cannot be amended at this time due to computer problems. Dick did mention he found more help for Andy in case of severe weather, and the need for help with roads.

Amending 2011 budget: There is \$ 65,000. left from 2010 budget. The 65,000 can be designated to several categories in 2011 Budget. The changes were discussed about the budget and the amounts to be added to funds. It was decided to divide the 65,000 into the following: \$5,000 would be added to new equipment, help with the snowblower purchase, \$5,000 to Town Hall Fund to help pay for repair of windows. \$1,000 to clerk expense fund to pay for new computer. \$34,000 to road fund and \$20,000 to Fire truck fund to pay at end of year. A check for \$5,000 was made out at the meeting for the fire truck payment for Feb. 2nd. Tom Finta made a motion to move the 65,000 to a \$1,000 to clerk expense, \$34,000 to road fund, \$20,000 to Fire truck fund, \$5,000 to Town Hall and \$5,000 to new equipment. Dave Rogers seconded the motion. M/C.

New Business: WTA District Meeting - Mosinee - Feb. 25th - March 12th - Neillsville

Dave Rogers motion to adjourn and to hold a caucus at 8:00PM, Jan. 11, 2011. Josh Mauritz seconded the motion. M/C

Judy Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Josh Mauritz seconded the Motion to adjourn. M/C

Submitted by
Deb Langreck
Town Clerk