

October 11, 2011 **October Meeting Minutes**

TOWN OF LINCOLN  
Board Meeting Minutes  
October 11, 2011 7:01 P.M.

Board Members Present: Dick Thomer, Tom Finta, Dave Rogers, Carol Szymanski, Josh Mauritz and Kathy Lindgren

APPROVE MINUTES OF September 13, 2011 MEETING: The minutes of the September 13, 2011 meeting were sent via e-mail to the board members on September 17, 2011. Motion to accept the minutes noting the change from June to July as the ending balance under Fire Department, made by Josh Mauritz, second by Tom Finta. All ayes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The financial report prepared and read by Carol Szymanski showed an August ending balance of \$78,587.80; September disbursements total \$157,063.49; September income of \$102,437.29 which was the total from: hall rentals of \$50.00, accident collection of \$90.00, fire payment of \$300.00, a garbage assessment from Esker of \$49.74, building permit of \$1,475.00, zoning permits of \$470.00, Time Federal transfer of \$100,000.00 and September interest of \$2.55 giving a September balance of \$23,961.60.

Town of Lincoln Fire Department had an August ending balance of \$2,372.42. There were no September disbursements. September income was \$.11, which was interest, leaving a September balance of \$2,372.53.

Invested money for the two remaining CD's: Time Federal Savings Bank-Road Machinery Fund- \$10,054.60 which included \$51.31 interest, has a maturity date of 2/13/2012 & Time Federal Savings Bank - Fire Department CD - \$27,548.17. The Time Federal Passbook savings account - Road Fund account has a balance of \$103,543.35 after the M&I Bank-road work fund that matured on 9/16/2011, was transferred to the account. The working account has a balance of \$72,429.41 after the \$100,000 withdrawal to the General Fund to meet bills plus \$381.63 interest. The M&I tax account remains the same at \$10.61. Liability for occupancy surcharges remain the same as does the balance on the fire truck note of \$31,910.48. Additional detail of the balances was provided. Mention of creating an ordinance for payroll payment on a specified date as per prior discussions and public comment to legality of such. Motion to accept the financial report made by Dave Rogers, second by Josh Mauritz. All ayes. Motion carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Kathy Lindgren prepared and read the accounts payable report and payroll report. Discussion relating to what constitutes extra hours by board members for payment and what falls under the board members job description. Decision to bill Fahrner for hours spent and pay board members for extra hours worked. Motion to approve the payroll report and accounts payable made by Dave Rogers, second by Tom Finta. All ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Building Permits: One building permit was issued to Scott Schmidt for the month of September for new construction on Amber Dr.

Fire Department: The Fire Department meeting was held on October 6, 2011. Arrangements for the Fire Department Breakfast were finalized. Farm Rescue Workshop will be held on October 15, 2011 in Pittsville. Pittsville Fire Department will hold an open house on October 23, 2011. Page out list was reviewed for Wood County dispatch and will remain the same. Dispatch has gone to a code system; will check into the need to purchase the code book. Account and CD balance as listed in Treasurer's report above. Get Fired up will be on October 9, 2011. Disposal of safe in the Fire Department; take in for scrap or sell.

Marshfield Rural Fire Association: Meeting on October 4, 2011. Financial statement as of September 2011 was reviewed includes a checkbook balance of \$10,478.06. 2012 Rural Budget projected to be \$20,161. Purchase of new thermal imager to be in 2013 budget as current imager is still operational.

Public Input: Concern regarding use of citizen names in meeting minutes.

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

Appoint New Board Supervisor: Charles Cassaday was appointed to fill the vacant position as the board supervisor. Motion by Tom Finta to approve the appointment of Board Supervisor, second by Dave Rogers. All ayes. Motion carried.

Veitschegger Property: Public input regarding the Veitschegger property. Property owner with east adjacent property expressed concerns regarding the townships plan or ability of supervising and enforcing hunting on the property, the respect of adjacent property owners, and maintenance of the property. The possibility that the issue could turn into a law enforcement issue and could involve legal issues and cost thereof to the township. The proposed green burial was also a concern as the area designated was originally deeded for a right-of-way purpose. Discussion regarding State Law with regard to burials without a vault. Concern regarding ground water contamination on the property. Concern regarding the need for installation of a road and maintenance of the property with no economic benefit to the township and no income generation. Discussion of holding an additional public hearing regarding the land issue and methods of notifying the public about the hearing. No further information was received from Attorney Dennis Juncer, so no decision regarding the issue was taken. Motion to delay vote on Veitschegger Property until January was made by Dick Thomer, second by Dave Rogers. All ayes. Motion carried.

Noise - Abares: Past minutes regarding the liquor license issue of Abares were read.

Road Work: A credit from County Materials will be issued for four large culverts returned due to incorrect size for approximately \$2,400. Two oversized culverts located at the Town hall may be used for future Westby and Mill Creek projects. Also an 18" culvert, 20' long could be sold but may get more money if taken in for scrap. TRIP program for 2013 must be submitted by November 1, 2012; requirement is to have a 2-year approved road improvement plan in place. Traffic monitoring done two years ago on Falcon Rd, can be used. Motion to accept the 2-year road improvement plan made by Dave Rogers, second by Josh Mauritz. All Ayes. Motion carried. Road mile certification and road map were reviewed and signed by Dick Thomer. All scheduled road projects were completed during the two week time frame that equipment was rented. In addition, a culvert was installed on Ranch Rd for Heiman Brothers; they were invoiced for the work. Township does not plan on paving the areas on Ives where the culvert work has been done until next year.

Part-Time Road Help – Jon Hansen: Jon Hansen is willing to move forward if the township wants him to but there's not a lot of incentive. He asked if the Township was willing to reimburse him for the airbrake endorsement exam. He is willing to help if needed and be back up for snow plowing. He does have a CDL. Motion to pay for air brake endorsement if Jon Hansen works through the winter made by Dick Thomer, second by Josh Mauritz. All ayes. Motion carried.

Road Salt: Wood County salt/snow removal services contract was received, reviewed and discussed. Laddick's price is \$78/ton for salt and \$9.50/yd for granite. For the last two years, 23 tons salt and 90 yards of granite were purchased. Township has a pile of boiler slag that can be mixed with granite, so the amount of granite purchased can be decreased. The County doesn't have a price on salt for this year yet as they were using up salt they had purchased prior and had to charge the price from two years ago, which was \$10.00 higher. Town of Rock may want snow plow/salting services as their equipment is in need of repair. Motion by Dave Rogers to purchase 23 tons of salt @ \$78/ton and 54 yards of granite @ \$9.50 from Laddick, second by Josh Mauritz. All ayes. Motion carried.

Grader Tires: Bid from Dave Schmidt: Michelin snow grip tires purchased from Sternweis's supplier are \$1,620/tire; Bridgestone is \$1,089/snow tire; installation would be about \$50/tire. Good Year tire price purchased from Schierl Tire is \$1,500/tire plus about \$100/tire for installation. It takes about two weeks to get tires in once they are ordered. Disposal of old tires was mentioned; possibility of selling worn tires for re-cap. Budget account and remaining balance discussion to determine which tires to purchase. Budget meeting changed from Tuesday, October 25, 2011 to Thursday, October 20, 2011 to meet statute for publication of public hearing on 2012 proposed budget. Decision to wait until after budget hearing to make decision on which tires to order.

Employee Grievance Procedure: Lengthy discussion regarding Wisconsin Towns monthly publication article suggesting to define in detail the term 'employee' when drafting the Employee Grievance Procedure. Also noted the need to name an impartial hearing officer and assign the cost thereof on the sample Employee Grievance Procedure printed in the Wisconsin Towns publication. Josh Mauritz will draft the Employee Grievance Procedure for November meeting.

Meeting Posting Locations: Noted that Town of Marshfield posts its meeting notices at Shaw's. Mention of posting meeting agenda at Bakerville Sports Bar. Meeting notice was posted at Weber's Farm Store. Corpus Christie hasn't had a pastoral council meeting yet; may ask to post on an inside bulletin board versus building an outside posting board which would require snow removal for posting and visual access. Discussion on where most visible locations would be.

Building Doors & Windows: The one window that was repaired leaks less than those that haven't been done.

Open Roads to ATV's: Request by Bakerville Sports Bar & Grill to open roads to ATV's. For public safety, it was decided not to allow this practice.

Ban Weapons Poster: Discussion on locations to post the Ban Weapons poster and poster size. Township is not liable if someone does carry a gun on the premise and the poster is not posted. Lawful posting requires that the poster is to be posted on every door versus posting it on the bulletin board.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

2012 Budget Meeting: 2012 Budget meeting set for Thursday, October 20, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. The Wood County Sherriff will be at the Lincoln Town Hall on October 25, 2011 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Wisconsin Town's Association will meet at the Town of Marshfield Hall located in Hewitt on Friday, October 21, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.

Motion to adjourn made by Dave Rogers at 9:43 p.m., second by Charles Cassaday. All ayes. Motion carried.

Posted on October 31, 2011 by  
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Town Clerk