

TOWN OF SPRING GREEN REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MARCH 1, 2012, 2012

The regular monthly meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairperson Dennis Polivka and was posted according to law. The Clerk certified compliance with the open meeting law. Members present were Chairperson Dennis Polivka, Supervisors Dave Radel and John McKenna, Clerk James Blau and Treasurer Anita Bindl. Also present were Marian Copus, Irene Golembiewski, Jerry Schmidt, Otto Frischolz, Baxter Radel, Kolby Hirth, Andy Ringelstetter, Doug Jones, Bruce Lenz, Mike Rogers, Ed Lilla, Don Koller, Fred Iausly, Greg Gust, Troup # 38, Jeff Sprecher, Dan Kettner, Jim Sprecher, Caryl Sprecher, Stan Feiner, Marty Krueger, Rodney Barns, Dave Terpstra, Fred Radel, and Joe Bauer.

A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Dave Radel and seconded by John McKenna. M/C

The Minutes from the previous meeting were read and a motion to approve the minutes as read was made by John McKenna and was seconded by Dave Radel. M/C

Treasurers report by Anita Bindl, starting balance of \$ 130,373.59 with receipts of \$ 983,984.14 and disbursements of \$ 968,740.06 leaving a balance of \$ 145,617.67. Motion to approve the report was made by Dave Radel and seconded by John McKenna. M/C

Motion to approve and pay the monthly bills as presented was made by John McKenna and seconded by Dave Radel. M/C

Chairperson's report by Dennis Polivka, Dennis attended several meetings including a WTA meeting in Loganville from WTA at which Dale Schultz talked about the cost of the recall of over 1 million dollars, other items were Clean Sweep for June 2, and revolving loans from Sauk County for small businesses, Dennis also attended the WTA annual Meeting in Richland Center along with the other board members in order to be certified to conduct the Board Of Review and also heard about weight limits on town roads. Dennis also attended a meeting in Madison for ACE which talked about the value of farming in the state and gave several examples of how much money was generated from certain crops.

Supervisors report by Dave Radel, Dave talked about the Wilson Creek Bridge and told of concerns from residents and Fire & EMT's when the bridge will be replaced maybe next year. Dave also talked about the RR Crossing on Big Hollow Rd. and the Prairie House demolishing and that fill will be brought in from Jeff Sprecher and Brad Peck's land and that Sauk County gave a temporary permit.

Supervisors report by John McKenna, John has been working on the Porter Road bids and the clerk has posted the notice for the bids. John stated that the Porter Road improvement project is part of the trip program.

Patrolman/s report was presented by John in the absence of Brad Haas, Brad did snow plowing and chipping of brush and did maintenance on the equipment.

Building Inspector's report, no permits.

Emergency Management report by Dave Radel, no meeting

Plan Commission report by Fred Iausly, they finished the amendment for non metallic mining and set the public hearing for March 13.

ETZ report by John McKenna, they worked on the sign ordinance.

Fire District report by Dave Radel, Dave stated that the Town of Troy has left the Fire District but they were still responsible for the land for the building. Dave also stated that Sauk City and the Plain Fire & EMT'S will service the Town Of Troy.

Ed Lilla from Jewell was present to give an update on the Big Hollow project and the Prairie House Motel, Ed said he is working with the RR to check on the progress of the crossing on Big Hollow Rd. Ed stated that Holtz LLC is in the process of demolishing the Motel and should be done completed by April 15 and filled in and seeded by May 1st. Ed also stated that if the roof trusses are free of mold they can be salvaged. Ed also said that the Buyout will be closed within 2 months.

Mike Rogers the Town's assessor was present to give a progress report on the schedule for Electronic Input of Records for the State. Mike stated that he has started and will meet the deadline for the Input.

Marty Krueger from Sauk County Economic Development Committee was present to inform the residents and the Board about the County's Plan for several properties they own including the Old Health Care Facility, Sauk County Forest and the Land Fill Site. Marty said that the Committee would like to put in 600 of the 680 acres in the State Forest program so they can get funding for improvement of the rest of the forest to include trails.

Next on the agenda was research on the long Lake Water Quality & Depth by John McKenna, after some discussion Kolby Hirth asked why it was brought up for the Town because it is regulated by the DNR. Kolby asked John to ask the DNR as a resident and not as a Board Member. Dennis also stated that it was a DNR issue.

Next was the question by Rodney Barns to ask to rent the property of the Town just west of his residence. After some discussion about price and also liability issues a motion by Dave Radel and seconded by John McKenna to grant a 5 year agreement for \$ 500.00 with an agreement for waiver of liability and cost of fencing and the amount of land and animal units per acre to be included. The Board will draft a policy and get back to Rodney Barns.

Next was the use of 40 acres of land North of the Community Forrest off of Hwy 14 that the Town received in the buyout. The Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts would like to use the Land for overnight camping and for meetings and outings. Motion by Dave Radel and seconded By Dennis Polivka to let the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts use the Land for the year of 2012.

Next was the West Prairie View Ditches and drainage problems, John McKenna told the Board that he and Brad Haas went out to survey the area and found that the drainage is on private property and that the Town could not help.

Next was the Signage of the Railroad Right of Way, after much discussion by Baxter Radel and several letters read by Baxter and Dennis Polivka from the Towns attorney and the WTA attorney. Several residents said that it was the old board that put up the stop signs suggested by the RR and that the board could remove them. Dennis said that he was guided by the attorney's letters that they contact the RR and get a petition to remove the stop signs and replace them with yield signs. After further discussion Kolby Hirth suggested that She and Baxter Radel and Bill Mertens draft a letter of petition and forward it to the Board to send to the to the OCR. Dave Radel and Dennis Polivka both stated that if the OCR gave the ok to remove the stop signs they would agree to remove them.

Next was the letter from Iowa County to ask for support of the TIGER Grant Application to upgrade the RR from Middleton to Lone Rock. The Board approved to write a letter in support of the grant and a motion by John McKenna and seconded by Dave Radel in Favor. M/C

Next was discussion for the purchase of a new a plow truck because the International is 10 years old. After some discussion Andy Ringelstetter suggested that the board start a savings account and wait for a few years to purchase. The Clerk suggested asking the residents what their thoughts are for the purchase of a new truck at the Annual meeting. The Board said they would hold a special meeting to get prices and what the International is worth and also a time frame for ordering before the Annual Meeting.

Next was the Road Weight Limits and Dennis stated that he attended a meeting in Madison and they stated that radial tires were worse than bias tires on heavy trucks and equipment. Dennis also stated that most town roads were not engineered to withstand the heavy trucks and machinery.

Dennis Polivka stated that Brad has put up weight limit signs on several roads for 2 months until the frost is out of the roads.

Next the Clerk told of several new requirements for the new Voter ID Law and what needs to be brought with them when they come to vote like a picture ID. He also stated that if no picture ID is brought they may vote provisionally and then if they came in before the end of the night their vote will be counted that night if not their vote would not be counted until Friday after 4:00 pm.

Motion to adjourn was made by Dave Radel and seconded by John McKenna. M/C

Submitted By;
James Blau
Town Clerk