

## **Minutes of the Town of Round Lake Board Meeting January 9, 2014**

Present: Chairman Dave Sanders, Supervisors: Stan Strainis, Rolfe Hanson, Kay Wilson, and Marilyn Karns. Also Present: Clerk Kathy McCoy, Treasurer Vicki Palya, Fire Chief Mike Schmidt, and 21 Audience Members.

1.) Chairman Sanders called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance.

A.) Approval of Agenda.

Motion by Strainis: second by Karns to approve agenda as printed. Motion carried.

B.) Certification of Meeting Posting

Clerk McCoy certified that meeting agenda had been posted as required on January 4, 2014.

C.) Approval of Minutes; Regular Board Meeting December 12, 2013, Public Hearing Ordinance 2013-01 December 12, 2013, and Special Board Meeting December 17, 2013.

Motion by Karns: second by Hanson to approve minutes listed as printed. Motion carried.

2.) Items for Action, Discussion, Information:

A.) Audience Recognition – Comments Only.

Robert Grayson - Request that installation of Dry Hydrant to be located at Woodhaven Resort be placed on Board February agenda. Town would need to obtain right-a-way for placement of hydrant, and D.N.R. permit. Goal would be to have installation take place this coming spring.

B.) Monthly Recycling Card Drawing.

Steve Mania's name was drawn. He was awarded a free recycling punch card for use at the town recycling center.

C.) Conditional Use Application: Elaine & Robert Thompson Irrevocable Trust dba Thompson's Sand & Gravel. Part of the SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  and part of the NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  SW  $\frac{1}{4}$ , S12, T 41N, R 8W; Part of parcels 7.2 and 10.1. Site know as Hwy 77 South Pit. Volume 474 Records page 284. Approximately 3.79 acres out of the total 14.94 acres. Property is zoned Forestry One. Permit is desired for the three (3) year renewal of conditional use permit #93-022 for the location/operation of a non-metallic mineral extraction which was approved at public hearing on December 18, 1992 and renewed most recently on December 20, 2010

LUPC Chair Kay Wilson reported that Commission heard application on Wed. January 8, 2014 and recommended approval with condition that crushing operating hours be from 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Karns: second by Hanson to approve conditional use application for Elaine & Robert Thompson Irrevocable Trust d.b.a. Thompson's Sand & Gravel with crushing hours condition (7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. as recommended by the LUPC). Motion carried.

D.) Covered Bridge Proposal: Jim Henschel – Moose Lake Road – Chippewa River Bridge.

Mr. Henchel contacted town prior to meeting and requested that item be tabled to February Town Board Meeting.

Motion by Karns: second by Wilson to table item to February 13, 2014 Town Board Meeting. Motion carried.

E.) Sawyer County Ambulance Director: Laurie Smith – County Ambulance locations and Town EMT staffing. (Discussion and Information)

Ambulance Director Laurie Smith gave an overview of problems facing service. County at present has 5 ambulance stations. Round Lake is currently the least used station with 97 calls during 2013. Winter is second least used station with 125 calls in 2013. Maintaining an adequate number of EMT's is critical to continued operation of Round Lake station. At present Round Lake has an average of 5 active EMTS who are responding / covering station. They are doing an excellent job: responding timely to all calls. Ideally the Town should have 8-10 EMT's to staff station.

Questions and discussion occurred on ambulance site location criteria; demographics, EMT staffing level, call response time, and community commitment. Additional factors identified included: EMT recruitment, cost of training and time commitment, and response time of paid on call staff vs. non paid on call volunteers.

F.) Appointment of Snow Emergency Authority.

Motion by Karns: second by Wilson that Town Road Crew Employee Doug Laier is authorized to declare a snow emergency. Motion carried.

G.) Approval Letter of Supports Chippewa Flowage Area Property Owners Association (Grant proposal to monitor aquatic invasive species in the Chippewa Flowage).

Motion by Strainis: second by Hanson to approve letter of support for grant proposal. Motion carried.

H.) Approval Town withdrawal Central Pension Fund of the International Operating Engineers and Participating Employees.

Town can no longer participate in plan due to non-recertification of union by employees. Motion by Wilson: second by Hanson to send Town withdrawal request to Center Pension Fund. Motion carried.

I.) Request Use Town Roads Chequamegon Fat Tire Festival September 12-14, 2014. (Proof of Insurance has been provided to Town).

Motion by Wilson: second by Hanson to approve request. Motion carried.

J.) Lawry Road Update.

Chairman Sanders consulted with Town attorney Clifford Stoner and was advised that three options exist: 1.) Re-route Road. 2.) Move existing easement. 3.) Abandon section of road in question. Mr. Stoner will provide the Town with a comprehensive review of each option prior to Februarys Board Meeting.

K.) Approval of Town of Round Lake Employee Handbook.

Motion by Karns: second by Wilson to approve Town of Round Lake Employee Handbook (effective January 1, 2014). Motion carried.

L.) Approval of Budget Resolution 03-2013: Transfer \$3,600 from Contingency Fund (account 59900-00) to Fire Protection. (account 52200-00).

Motion by Hanson: second by Karns to approve Budget Resolution 03-2013. Motion carried.

M.) Fire Department Report: Schmidt. 1.) Written monthly run report.

Written report provided by Chief Schmidt: One (1) UTV rescue – removal patient from Birkie Trail possible hip problem. One (1) Fire Run- Unoccupied House Fire. Nine (9) Round Lake Ambulance Runs. All equipment was checked and ran at various times during the month.

N.) Clerk's Report: McCoy. 1.) To date budget reports. 2.) Account balances.

McCoy provided board with year-end written budget reports. 2013 accounts have been reconciled, books completed and closed, required W-2's and 1099's have been issued. All accounts are in balance with treasurer. Work continues on transition to new accounting system in 2014.

O.) Treasurer's Report: Monthly Receipts, Vouchers, and Account Balances.

Palya reported that tax payment collections are going well. Written reported will be provided next month.

P.) Approval of Checks/ Vouchers as listed.

Motion by Karns: second by Hanson to approve checks/ vouchers 28651 – 28703. Motion carried.

M.) Correspondence: Action if required.

Workshop UW Extension – Local Planning and Zoning Officials. Hazard Plan Public Hearing: Thursday, January 30<sup>th</sup> 5-7 pm in the Assembly Room

N.) Adjourn

Motion by Karns: second by Wilson to adjourn at 8:12 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy McCoy, Clerk