

Town of Onalaska
Town Board Meeting Minutes

Chairman Rolly Bogert called the Town Board Meeting to order on Tuesday, November 8, 2011 at 7:00pm at the Town of Onalaska Hall, W7052 Second Street, Onalaska, WI. Supervisors present were Rolly Bogert, Frank Fogel, Sandy Thompson, Marc Schultz and Steve Michaels. Clerk Melissa Erdman was present. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Supervisor Thompson made a motion to approve the agenda. Supervisor Schultz seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Michaels made a motion to approve the October 11, 2011 meeting minutes. Supervisor Fogel seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Michaels made a motion to approve the bills. Supervisor Schultz seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Citizen's Concerns:

John Haese, N5415 Abbey Road, Onalaska provided information in regards to saving the Ash trees from Ash borer. Volunteered to survey the parks, take photos, count the number of ash trees and their circumference to assess how much the cost will be to treat the trees and provide a power point to the Parks Committee.

Beverly Brady, N6378 County Road XX, Holmen, provided additional information on the CAPX2020. EIS needs comments to them by December 20th.

Unfinished Business:

Supervisor Michaels made a motion to approve the accounts at local banks and credit unions to keep the town within FDIC protection. Supervisor Thompson seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote, motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Plan Commission:

Brandon Witte, N6425 Johnson Coulee Road, Holmen, Tax Parcel # 10-294-1 request to rezone from Exclusive Ag to AG A was discussed. Supervisor Thompson made a motion to approve the request with the stipulation that the parcel could not be further subdivided. Supervisor Michaels seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Frank's Repair, Tax Parcel # 10-1560-4 for a conditional use permit to operate a anaerobic digester was discussed. Supervisor Michaels made a motion to approve the request. Supervisor Schultz seconded the motion. Roll call vote, motion passed unanimously. Supervisor Fogel abstained from voting.

New Business:

Jim Nissen from the US Fish and Wildlife presented data on the fire well and supplied a bid for the board to consider.

Chris O'Hearn from the Brice Prairie First Responders presented a power point presentation and a contract for the board to consider.

Holmen Area Fire Department was not able to attend. Will table to a later date.

Discussion on CAPX2020. Board needs to decide if this is the best route.

Citizen's concerns and requests for future agenda items:

Tim Carrier, W5835 Koss Road, Onalaska commended the Board with the recent improvements to the town shop, salt shed and recycle yard. Commented that it was good to see the Board working together.

Board member concerns:

Supervisor Schultz said we have received the permit to begin dredging. Feels that with the winter fast approaching, we will have to wait until spring. We will need to coordinate hauling from Mosey Landing 1500 yards.

Supervisor Fogel said the town owns a lot with a permit in place to add fill. Also commented on that property needing to enlarge the cul de sac. Property was acquired by the town because there was no access. With an expanded cul de sac, we can increase the uses of the property and consider putting it back on the tax rolls.

Supervisor Thompson requested that the Foreman present once a month or once every other month toward the beginning of the Board Meetings.

Supervisor Thompson also states she would be willing to write a newsletter for the town.

Correspondence:

Shawn Kudron resident in Marvin Gardens and member of the Neighborhood Watch provided a written request to the Chair to allow the Town Crew to erect 4 signs in Marvin Gardens. The signs would be provided.

Scott Heinig, Administrator for the Village of Holmen provided a written request to the Chair asking for the Town to approve funds to be used to construct additional trails in the Remington Hills area.

Murphy Desmond submitted a letter to the town stating their rates would not increase for the 3rd consecutive year.

Al Steck would be available on a per call basis to plow snow.

Supervisor Thompson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00pm. Supervisor Fogel seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Melissa Erdman