

Town Board Meeting Minutes  
January 8, 2019

Chairman Rolly Bogert called the Town Board Meeting to order on Tuesday January 8, 2019 at 6:30 PM at the Town of Onalaska, Town Hall, N5589 Commerce Street. Present were Chairman Rolly Bogert; Supervisors Jerry Monti, Frank Fogel, Paula Przywojski and Stan Hauser. Mary Rinehart, Town Clerk was also present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion to approve the agenda by Supervisor Fogel; seconded by Supervisor Monti. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2018 meeting by Supervisor Monti; seconded by Supervisor Fogel. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: None

County Board Report: None

Holmen Area Fire Board Report: Supervisor Hauser reported calls from November 2018 as Village of Holmen 64, Town of Holland 13 and Town of Onalaska 17. Chairman Bogert has been elected Fire Board Chairman for the remainder of the term that was vacated due to resignation of previous chairman. Term will expire in April 2019. Fire Chief Manley added he will be scheduling a retirement party for two long term department members who are soon retiring.

Motion by Supervisor Hauser; seconded by Supervisor Monti to approve the bills and finance book. Motion passed unanimously.

**Shop Report:** Shop lead Hank Fogel reported that Truck on 10 is in need of additional repairs. Town hall ceiling repairs continue on an office by office basis. He also recommended to the board to consider sand blasting and repainting of the truck frames. Truck #24 chipper truck is in need of gas tank replacement, he has begun collection of cost proposals.

**Discussion on repair of truck 10 sprockets and shaft for spreader box:** Motion by Supervisor Hauser; seconded by Supervisor Przywojski to complete necessary repairs to truck t 10 including a new fuel pump. Motion passed unanimously.

**Update by Supervisor Przywojski on research relating to potential hiring of Town Administrator:** No new information to report.

**Update by Supervisor Fogel on clearing out of old dumpsite (superfund site) building N8650**

**Sportsman Road, Onalaska:** Fogel presented 2 proposals to the board ranging from \$17,200 to \$19,600. Fogel questioned if we have EPA and DNR approval to dismantle the equipment. He will follow up with the proper authorities for verification. Fogel with the assistance of Supervisor Hauser will continue to study and analyze for additional options and will report back to the board.

**Discussion on scheduling Chainsaw safety training for public works employees:** Clerk Rinehart briefed the board on the details of the potential training. Two municipalities and one fire department have expressed interest in having their employees attend and cost share for the training. Motion by Supervisor Monti; seconded by Supervisor Przywojski to proceed with hosting and scheduling the training as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

**Discussion on disposal of unused and obsolete computer hardware and accessories:** Motion by Supervisor Hauser; seconded by Supervisor Fogel gather and dispose of obsolete and unused hardware and accessories. This will be done at our May 4 electronic recycle event. Motion passed unanimously.

**Discussion regarding Concession Agreements for 2019:** Motion by Supervisor Monti; seconded by Supervisor Przywojski to approve 2019 Concession agreements for Chad Knapmiller of Shafer's Boat and Bait, Gary Kately of Clearwater Resort, Todhedge Properties, LLC and Cozy Corner Cottages, LLC. Motion passed unanimously.

**Discussion approving processing of overpayment refunds for the 2018 property tax year:** Motion by Supervisor Hauser; seconded by Supervisor Monti to authorize processing and payment of tax overpayments for the 2018 tax year. Motion passed unanimously.

**Discussion regarding approval for the clerk to attend the Wisconsin Municipal Clerks Association District 3 Spring and Fall training days and Annual Conference 2019 and Wisconsin Towns Association 2019 Annual Conference:** Motion by Supervisor Hauser; seconded by Supervisor Fogel for the clerk to attend the conferences listed and to cover all associated costs and expenses. Motion passed unanimously.

**Discussion regarding approval for the treasurer's attendance of Wisconsin Municipal Treasurer's Association Annual Conference 2019:** Motion by Supervisor Hauser; second by Supervisor Fogel for the treasurer to attend the treasurer's association annual conference and to cover associated costs and expenses. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Items from the Park Committee**

**Discussion on recommendation to allow Park Committee to contact UW La Crosse in regards to development of (5) five year plan study for the Town of Onalaska parks:** Motion by Supervisor Hauser; second by Supervisor Monti to approve as per committee recommendation and allow the committee to contact UW-La Crosse regarding the development of a five year plan. Motion passed unanimously.

**Discussion on recommendation to Town Board to discuss with the City of Onalaska future development as related to Strawberry Commons Park:** Motion by Supervisor Hauser; seconded by Supervisor Fogel as per committee recommendation to approve the discussion with the City of Onalaska regarding the future development as related to Strawberry Commons Park. Motion passed unanimously.

**Discussion regarding recommendation to appointment of Liz Horstman to fill open position on Parks Committee: Discussion on recommendation to appointment of John Haese to fill open position on Park Committee:** Motion by Supervisor Hauser; seconded by Supervisor

Monti to accept the committee recommendation and appoint Liz Horstman and John Haese to the park committee. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Items from the Plan Commission**

**Discussion on recommendation in regards the appointment of Jon Zabel to the plan commission for the remainder of the term currently held by Kris Gauth:** Motion to follow committee recommendation to appoint Jon Zabel to the plan commission. Motion passed unanimously.

**Presentation by John Schaller in regards to milking parlor replacement plan at N5931 County Road ZZ tax parcel 10-1763-1:** John Schaller presented his plan for a new milking parlor. Mr. Schaller will be removing the present barn, and use the facade of the current barn in the new construction. Schaller will not be increasing the animal count and has no plans to increase animal count in the future. Conclusion of the project is scheduled for August 2019.

**Discussion on recommendation in (regards) to drafting of a letter to the Department of Administration Plat Review approving the delay up to May 15, 2019 the placement of survey stakes marking lot corners for of Rivendell Phase II:** Motion by Supervisor Hauser; seconded by Supervisor Przywojski to follow committee recommendation and approve sending the letter approving the delay no later than May 15, 2019. Motion passed unanimously.

**Discussion on recommendation in regards to approval of Final plan for Rivendell Phase II for Vaaler Investments LLC:** Motion by Supervisor Monti; seconded by Supervisor Przywojski to follow committee recommendation to approve final plat with commercial lot expansion as marked on plat. Motion passed unanimously.

**Discussion on recommendation to La Crosse County in regards to application for Conditional Use Permit for Scott and Melissa Erdman N6959 Knudson Road, Tax Parcel 10-103-0 to operate a cabinet and furniture shop in accessory building:** Scott Erdman appeared before the Board requesting approval of the CUP. Motion by Supervisor Hauser; seconded by Supervisor Fogel to as per committee recommendation to recommend to La Crosse County to approve CUP application with hours of 8 am to 9 pm. Motion passed unanimously.

**Discussion on making recommendation to La Crosse County in regards to application for Conditional Use Permit for David Bentzen W5381 County Road W, Tax Parcel 10-198-0 to convert existing 60 x 120 foot horse arena to storage rentals:** Motion by Supervisor Hauser; seconded by Supervisor Przywojski as per commission recommendation to recommend to La Crosse County to approve CUP for David Bentzen. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Monti; seconded by Fogel passed unanimously at 7:33 pm.