

TOWN OF ONALASKA
EMERGENCY SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 19, 2011

The Emergency Special Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Chairman Rolly Bogert. Board members present were: Frank Fogel, Sandy Thompson, Marc Schultz and Steve Michaels.

A motion was made by Steve Michaels and seconded by Marc Schultz to approve the agenda. Prior to the vote, Sandy Thompson requested that agenda item #6, discussion and possible action on possible additional compensation to Treasurer Paula Hammes for extra staffing time at the Town Hall during the Clerk transition period be pulled. She noted that she had spoke with Ms. Hammes and was told that she did not want any additional compensation as she was doing what needed to be done. With that explanation, the question was called for and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

A motion was then made by Steve Michaels and seconded by Sandy Thompson to hire Mr. Gerald Monti on a temporary basis to serve as Deputy Clerk until a new Clerk is hired. It was noted that Mr. Monti is doing an excellent job in keeping things open and running at the Town Hall. A discussion followed regarding compensation for Mr. Monti. It was decided that the compensation for Mr. Monti will be \$17.50 per hour, retroactive from the day he started with a maximum of 20 hours per week. It was further noted by Mr. Bogert that Mr. Monti has been trained as an election inspector for absentee ballots and that he had been sworn in as Deputy Clerk at that time. The motion passed unanimously on a roll call vote.

As it is necessary to hire a new Clerk, Sandy Thompson made a motion to pursue action on the correct publishing and notice for applications to that position. The motion was seconded by Steve Michaels. Under discussion, Sandy Thompson noted that she had taken the liberty to look up the duties of the clerk. She noted that State Statutes are very clear as to what the duties are and that we should get on this immediately. Marc Schultz asked if any consideration had been given to the compensation and/or benefit package. Marc Schultz felt that we need to be more specific before placing any ad. He further noted that the Clerks association may have guidelines that our Town could follow. This agenda item will be discussed at the meeting to be held on Tuesday, March 26, 2011. The original motion died for lack of a vote and then a motion was made by Sandy Thompson and seconded by Steve Michaels to table this until the Regular Monthly Meeting. This motion passed on a roll call vote with all votes being ayes.

The following committee appointments were announced by Chairman Bogert.

1. Town Board: Rolly Bogert as Chairman and Sandy Thompson as Vice Chair
2. Plan Commission: Rolly Bogert, Chair; Frank Fogel.
3. Map Committee: Rolly Bogert
4. Fire Board: Rolly Bogert – Sandy Thompson
5. Storm Water Utility: Town Board

6. Board of Review: Town Board and members of the Town to be named
7. Emergency Planning: Marc Schultz
8. Lake Onalaska Protection and Rehabilitation District: Marc Schultz
9. Shoreline: Marc Schultz and David Paudler with one additional Town resident.
10. LADCO: Marc Schultz and Steve Michaels
11. Recycling: Rolly Bogert, David Harter, Wally Knutson, Frank Fogel
12. Intergovernmental Steering Committee: Rolly Bogert, Steve Michaels, Chris O'Hearn
13. Park: Steve Michaels, Chris O'Hearn, Frank Fogel, Wally Knutson
14. Sign: Steve Michaels, Wally Knutson, Jake Speed
15. Hunting and Firearms: Frank Fogel, Ray Heidel, Hubert Hoffman
16. Long Range Planning: Rolly Bogert, Pete Tabor, Donna Murphy, Ron Amel
17. Tourism Focus Group: Rolly Bogert, Gail Filzen, Gretchen Skoloda
18. Ordinance: Town Board, Hubert Hoffman, Jake Speed
19. New Town Hall: Gerald Jensen, Tom Thompson, Roger Yeske, Doug Shefelbine
20. Purchase of Development: Rolly Bogert, Marc Schultz, Ron Amel, Tim Jacobson, Dave Skoloda
21. Urban Deer Study: Rolly Bogert, Frank Fogel, Hubert Hoffman
22. Train Whistle: Marc Schultz, Steve Michaels

Chairman Bogert noted that he would like citizen input on these committees and asked that this information be made public for residents to consider the opportunity to serve.

Chairman Bogert noted that the Town has had several people help at the Town Hall during the transitional period. He said that several volunteers have taken the election training for poll workers and that the poll lists are in order and copied and that the absentee ballots have been mailed out to 44 people. Jerry Monti, Sandy Thompson and Rolly Bogert took this specific training so the ballots could be generated and mailed. He wished to thank the following people for their volunteer work: Sandy Sebastian, Sheryl Pederson, Jerry Monti, and Sandy Thompson. He noted that Mr. Gary Blanchard, lock smith, had updated the locks on doors and filing cabinets, replaced one lock and has installed a steel lock box to hold all the Town keys instead of having them in several different drawers in the Town Hall. He further thanked Paula Hammes for her assistance

Under Board Member Concerns it was noted that the recycling grant that was received by the Town was only in the amount of \$29,000. Also, ice shanties are still sitting in parking lots. Although the Town has no control over this, it was suggested that Marc Schultz speak with the parking lot owners and see what the Town can do to help get rid of them. It was suggested that this problem be addressed in the Town Ordinances.

A motion was made by Sandy Thompson and seconded by Steve Michaels to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 P.M.

Linda Carlson – Recorder- April 19, 2011

