

Town of Onalaska
Town Board Meeting Minutes

Chairman Rolly Bogert called the Town Board Meeting to order on Tuesday, April 10, 2012 at 8:55pm 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 Michaels made a motion to approve the agenda. Supervisor Schultz seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Fogel made a motion to approve the March 13, 2012 minutes. Supervisor Schultz seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Michaels made a motion to approve the bills and finance book. Supervisor Fogel seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Citizen's Concerns:

Ray Heidel, W8043 County Road ZN, Onalaska asked if he would be able to ask questions about upcoming agenda items for tonight.

Beverly Brady N6378 County Road XX, Onalaska, thanked Sandy Thompson for attending the listening session in Centerville last month and reading our resolution into record.

New Business:

Reports:

Plan Commission:

Discussion on Nordahl and Patricia Haugen, W8237 County Highway ZB, Onalaska, Tax Parcel ID 10-1638-0, variance to high water setback. Motion made by Supervisor Thompson and seconded by Supervisor Fogel to approve the request for a variance. 0 ychs/ 5 nos. Motion fails.

Discussion on variance for Halfway Creek Trail. Motion made by Supervisor Michaels and seconded by Supervisor Schultz to defer until further information is provided. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on Sean Gavaghan, Wildwood Valley starting phase 2. Motion made by Supervisor Fogel and seconded by Supervisor Michaels to approve phase 2 with the condition of a letter of intent to cover storm water repairs for the first 3 years per road starting at the end of construction. Motion passed unanimously.

Parks Committee:

Bids have been requested for staining the Marvin Gardens shelter.

Bids have been requested for a well in Marvin Gardens.

All ash trees in the parks have been treated by John Haese and Tim Carrier. Cristen Farms made a donation of 10% off the solution as their participation in the Town of Onalaska's efforts to preserve the trees in the parks.

Considering signs to be made by some local Boy Scouts.

Will be looking at the dump site at the next meeting as a possible site for the town nursery.

Chips are being ordered for all parks as this was not done last year due to time constraints.

Discussion on grant application for the upper boat landing for repairs. Lease needs to be extended to apply. Ray Heidel states that ramps need to be replaced, handicap accessibility is limited, ADA issues need to be addressed, light from street light is poor. Sandy Heidel thanked Frank Fogel for addressing some of the immediate issues. Reiterated that the landing is in need of maintenance. Supervisor Michaels made a motion to approve the grant application. Supervisor Thompson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on resolution to rename the upper landing the Fred Funk Boat Landing in memory of Fred Funk. Supervisor Schultz explained how instrumental Fred was in the preservation and maintenance of the Mississippi River. Ray Heidel also spoke fondly of Fred Funk. Stating he was an inspiration to the town and that it is appropriate to honor him with the name dedication. Supervisor Schultz said that US Fish and Wildlife offered to put up the sign. Supervisor Schultz made a motion to approve the resolution to rename the upper landing the Fred Funk Boat Landing. Supervisor Michaels seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on noise ordinance. Supervisor Fogel made a motion to defer the ordinance discussion until the recodification is complete. Supervisor Schultz seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on the alcohol ordinance. Kwik Trip asked the town to consider changing the ordinance to follow state statutes as residence of the town can purchase alcohol beverages at convenience stores across the road at 6am, but cannot purchase them from Kwik Trip on OT until 8am. Supervisor Thompson made a motion to amend the ordinance to state it will follow state statutes. Supervisor Michaels seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on replacement of the Woods mower. Supervisor Thompson made a motion to approve the purchase of the John Deere 2910A tractor with a 54" deck that the crew is requesting. Supervisor Michaels seconded the request. Motion passed unanimously.

Citizen's Concerns:

None

Board Member Concerns:

Schultz would like the streetlight in Rivendell to be an agenda item in May.

Thompson feels the board should invite county supervisors in monthly to discuss the County Zoning starting in June.

Fogel was contacted by residence about the distance of the wake. Schultz said it is not applicable.

Correspondence:

Bogert mentioned a QB expert is coming in occasionally to assist the town with billing storm water from our current accounting system.

Thompson is finishing up the newsletter.

Schultz states that the boy scouts picked up garbage this past week.

Clerk mentioned that the next board meeting is May 8th and that is also an election day.

Supervisor Thompson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:35pm. Supervisor Michaels seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Melissa Erdman