

Special Town Board Meeting Minutes
October 18, 2016

Chairman Rolly Bogert called the Town Board Meeting to order on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at 7:00 pm at the Town of Onalaska Town Hall, N5589 Commerce Road, Onalaska, WI. Present were Chairman Rolly Bogert, Supervisors Frank Fogel, Sandy Thompson and Al Steck. Supervisor Stan Hauser was excused. Also present was Mary Rinehart, Clerk.

Motion by Supervisor Thompson, seconded by Supervisor Fogel to approve the agenda: Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on budget resolution in regards to public safety. Motion to amend the 2016 Town budget to decrease cemetery by \$5,000, decrease fuel by \$5,000, decrease vehicle maintenance by \$10,000, decrease park operations by \$3,000, decrease incorporation by \$15,000, and increase fire protection by \$38,000 with no changes coming to fund balance reserves made by Supervisor Thompson; seconded by Supervisor Fogel. Motion passed 3-1 (Steck).

Discussion on choosing a garbage hauler: Supervisor Fogel stated he is opposed to choosing a hauler as per committee recommendation at this time and wants to extend the current contract as per committee recommendation and not open the amended proposals. Supervisor Steck voiced opposition to changes from the current bag system, sighting it will be an inconvenience for his elderly mother and others. The proposals were opened in order they were received and read aloud by the clerk. Motion to open the floor made by Supervisor Thompson; seconded by Supervisor Fogel. Motion passed unanimously. Gary Hougom, Hilltopper Refuse addressed the board. He reminded the board of the availability of a tote carrier that attaches onto cars, trucks, quads and/or riding lawn mowers that will assist in movement of the carts. Cost of the tote carrier is approximately \$18.00 each. He also reminded the board that back door service is in the proposal for residents who have need. Hougom also clarified that the truck will come up public roads as long as there is a place for the truck to turn around. Matt Harter, Harters Quik Clean-Up then addressed the board advising the board that Harter values Reciprocating Service and that they contribute largely to the town through tax dollars. Motion by Supervisor Thompson; seconded by Supervisor Fogel to close the floor. Motion passed unanimously. Motion by Supervisor Steck to table or postpone further discussion on this item; seconded by supervisor Fogel. Motion failed 2/2: (opposed was Thompson/Bogert). Motion by Supervisor Thompson; seconded by Bogert, to choose Hilltopper Refuse as our hauler going forward due to the competitive proposals, and Hilltopper is a known commodity to the Town due to years of past service. Roll call vote: Steck no, Fogel no, Thompson yes, Bogert yes. (2/2) Motion failed. Motion by Supervisor Fogel; seconded by Supervisor Steck to table this discussion to next meeting. Chairman Bogert questioned "why we as a board cannot come to a decision and not kick the can down the road?" Supervisor Thompson questioned what is to be accomplished by tabling?" Roll call vote, Steck yes, Fogel yes, Thompson yes, Bogert no. Motion passed (3/1 Bogert).

Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Thompson; seconded by Supervisor Bogert. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Rinehart, Clerk.