

Town Board Meeting Minutes
March 13, 2018

Chairman Rolly Bogert called the Town Board Meeting to order on Tuesday March 13, 2018 at 6:30 pm at the Town of Onalaska, Town Hall, N5589 Commerce Street. Present were Chairman Rolly Bogert, Supervisors, Jerry Monti, Stan Hauser, Sandy Thompson and Frank Fogel. Deputy Clerk Sara Kessler was also present.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Motion by Supervisor Monti; seconded by Supervisor Hauser to approve the minutes of February 13, February 23 and March 8, 2018 meetings. Motion passed unanimously.

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

County Board Report: None

Shop Report: Sara Kessler read the shop report that several residents complimented the town crew for their good work during the ice storm of February 19/20. Mary Rinehart also added that she was grateful that she got more compliments than complaints. Hank Fogel also reported that curbside chipping has begun and new schedule of weekly routes has been working well so far. All trucks are going through their regular maintenance cycles. During the last snowstorm of March 5/6 one truck had to be towed in for servicing which put the crew behind schedule. Weight limit signs have now been put up and during that task the crew checked other signage and culverts. Wally did a nice job on cleaning all town trucks.

Holmen Area Fire Board Report: Supervisor Hauser reported that last month the Town of Holland had one or two more calls than the other municipalities, otherwise numbers were pretty even. They've hired another full time firefighter so they are back to 4 FTEs. Also interviewing for more paid volunteers.

Discussion on La Crosse Fire Chief Gilliam presentation for shared mechanical services. Chief Gilliam addressed the board to inform them of activities the La Crosse Fire Department is working on with the HAFD. He wants to "be good neighbors when possible." LFD is planning to offer mechanical services with HAFD whenever possible and will not mark up services and use HAFD sourced parts if they are already on hand. Other areas of cooperation involve training using a shared platform along with inspections, codes and enforcement. The Board thanked Chief Gilliam for the opportunity to cooperate with the LCF for cost savings and efforts to reduce redundancy where possible. No action taken.

Discussion on new operator license application(s): Motion by Supervisor Thomson; seconded by Supervisor Fogel to approve as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on sending the clerk to DNR Workshop for Responsible Units on April 11, 2018: Motion by Supervisor Monti; seconded by Supervisor Fogel to approve as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on allowing containers to be placed at Town boat landings for the recycling of monofilament fishing line at no cost to the Town: Motion by Supervisor Thompson; seconded by Supervisor Monti to open the floor. Motion passed unanimously. Rachel Kromery and Fritz Funk gave a summary of the project. Rachel Kromery is a senior at UW-La Crosse in Environmental Studies and as

part of her capstone project, she is working with the Brice Prairie Conservation group to install a container recycling monofilament fishing line at the three boat landings in the Town. Motion to close the floor by Supervisor Monti; seconded by Supervisor Hanson. Motion passed unanimously. Motion by Supervisor Hauser; seconded by Supervisor Monti to approve allowing the containers to be placed at Town boat landings for the recycling of monofilament fishing line at no cost to the Town. Motion passed unanimously.

Items from the Park Committee

Discussion on recommendation to create a dog park on Brice Prairie: No action taken.

Discussion on recommendation to order park playground chips for 2018: Motion by Supervisor Fogel; seconded by Supervisor Thompson to direct the Clerk to work with the Town of Holland and coordinate a chip order using the Town of Holland chip source. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on recommendation to review land acquisition offer in regards to County SN reconstruction: Motion Supervisor Fogel; seconded by Supervisor Thompson to accept the bid of \$11,600 from MSA Professional Services for land acquisition offer in regards to County SN reconstruction. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on recommendation to review summer baseball park reservation requests: Motion by Supervisor Fogel; seconded by Supervisor Monti to recommend approval of summer baseball park reservation requests as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Items from the Refuse and Recycle Committee

Discussion on recommendation to remake yard waste sign with incorrect hours and determine placement of signs at yard waste site: Motion by Supervisor Thompson; seconded by Supervisor Fogel to make adjustments to yard waste sign with incorrect hours at La Crosse county sign shop. Motion passed unanimously. No action taken on placement of signs.

Discussion on recommendation to construct a shelter at the yard waste drop off site for volunteer use: Several options discussed, asked to be put on next month's agenda. No action taken.

Discussion on recommendation to purchase a port-a-potty at the yard waste drop off site for volunteer use: Motion by Supervisor Thompson; seconded by Supervisor Monti to purchase a port-a-potty for volunteer use at the yard waste drop off site and contract for regular cleaning. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on recommendation to promote sign up of volunteers to staff the yard waste drop off site, including requiring Refuse and Recycle committee members to staff one 4 hour shift during the season: Motion by Supervisor Hauser; seconded by Supervisor Thompson to promote sign up of volunteers to staff the yard waste drop off site, including encouraging Refuse and Recycle committee members to staff one 4 hour shift during the season. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on recommendation to review all funding options available-including but not limited to-a referendum to provide revenue for trash and recycling servicing costs: Recommend moving to next month's agenda with a discussion on a general referendum. No action taken.

Items from the Plan Commission

Discussion on recommendation to La Crosse County to Board regarding application to rezone from industrial to commercial of tax parcel 10-2033-0 for Harter Investments, W5726 Koss Road, Onalaska WI: Motion by Supervisor Hauser; seconded by Supervisor Thompson to open the floor. Motion passed

unanimously. Dave Harter, W5726 Koss Road, told the Board he would like to create lots that can be developed into small business owner-occupied sites. Motion by Supervisor Thompson seconded by Supervisor Hauser to close the floor. Motion passed unanimously. Motion by Supervisor Hauser; seconded by Supervisor Thompson to recommend to La Crosse County to Board regarding application to rezone from industrial to commercial of tax parcel 10-2033-0 for Harter Investments, W5726 Koss Road, Onalaska WI. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on recommendation in regards to review of Conditional Use Permit #975 for William Strupp doing business as Strupp Trucking Inc. N6200 County XX: Motion by Supervisor Fogel seconded by Supervisor Thompson to open the floor. Motion passed unanimously. Pat Strupp from Strupp Trucking addressed the Board and asked that the CUP be approved and also remove item #6 requiring an up to \$2000 monitoring fee every two years because there have been no citizen complaints. Motion by Supervisor Thompson; seconded by Supervisor Monti to close the floor. Motion passed unanimously. Motion by Supervisor Fogel; seconded by Supervisor Monti to recommend the La Crosse County Board approve the renewal of Conditional Use Permit #975 for William Strupp doing business as Strupp Trucking Inc. N6200 County XX and omit item #6 in the permit requiring an up to \$2000 renewal fee. Motion passed unanimously.

Items from the Storm Water Utility

Discussion on recommendation in regards to MS4 requirements including updates from General Engineering: No action taken.

Discussion on recommendation in regards to W6490 Schilling Road drainage and storm water retention issues: Motion by Supervisor Hauser; seconded by Supervisor Fogel to accept proposal from McHugh Excavating to remediate drainage and storm water retention issues at W6590 Schilling Road including any legal and necessary easement requirements. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion on recommendation of purchase of culvert-jetter-pressure washer combination: Motion by Supervisor Monti; seconded by Supervisor Hauser to put out a Request for Proposal for a culvert-jetter-pressure washer combination. Motion passed 4-1 (Thompson). Motion by Supervisor Monti; seconded by Supervisor Fogel to put out a Request For Proposal for the cleaning services all Town culverts. Motion passed 4-1 (Thompson).

Discussion on recommendation in regards to W6759 Hilltop Drive drainage as relating to freezing and size of drain pipe: Motion by Supervisor Thompson; seconded by Supervisor Monti to recommended General Engineering provide a proposal to fix the problem at W6759 Hilltop Drive. Motion withdrawn by Supervisor Thompson. Motion by Supervisor Hauser; seconded by Supervisor Fogel to contract with McHugh Excavating to provide services to fix the drainage problem at W6759 Hilltop Drive drainage as relating to freezing and size of drain pipe. Motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence Chairman Bogert provided an update on the Fred Funk Landing project.

Motion by Supervisor Thompson; seconded by Supervisor Monti to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Sara Kessler, Deputy Clerk.