

Rushford Town Board Minutes  
Thursday, August 14, 2014

The Town of Rushford August Board meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Thomas Egan followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with Thomas Egan, Gerald Schoonover, Kathryn Lewis and Peggy Hendricks present. Patrick Kafer was excused. Also present for all or part of the meeting: 5 additional persons per attendance record on file, though others were present who did not sign in.

**Statement of Public Notice:** Notice of the August Board meeting and the Township road tour with the Zoning/Planning/Board members was posted at the Town Hall, the Waukau post office, the Town's web site and the corner of K & E in Eureka. In addition, date change for August Board meeting and testing of election equipment was published in the Oshkosh. Notices were mailed to Town Board members and the Zoning Administrator.

**Clerks Report & Minutes:** *Motion by Schoonover, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Egan to approve the minutes as presented for the July 2, 2014 Town board meeting.* Patsy Pomplun inquired if the County report in the July minutes should have been ice ring or ice rink, for it stated ring in the minutes. Tom stated it is ice rink. *Motion carried.*

**Treasurers Report** was given by Kathryn Lewis. The balance at the end of July was \$154,168.97 in the general account. The balance at the end of July in the tax account was \$100.00. *Motion by Schoonover, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Egan to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.*

**Payment of invoices:** Peggy Hendricks approved and submitted to the board the bills for August in the amount of \$27,097.33 from the general account for approval of payment. *Motion by Schoonover, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Egan to pay August 2014 bills as submitted. Motion carried.*

**Communications & Correspondence:**

- Tom Egan read an email from WI Department of Natural Resources pertaining to a culvert for Paul Youngbauer. It stated that since the location was not in wetland or waterway, no permits from the Department were required. Since this is not up by the road, he will not need a permit from the Town.

**Discussion of Town hall maintenance/needs:**

- Tom Egan mentioned that the area around the rain garden looked nice. Kathryn Lewis stated that Rick Gehrke did the work with his brush hog. Patsy Pomplun said that a couple buckets of dirt would be needed. It has been wet and possibly this fall the dirt could be brought in to work next spring.

**Discussion on Town Maintenance – Roads:**

The Board has not heard back from the County yet. Friends have started to excavate some of the ditches. Patching has been done on some of the holes in the roads. The Board will have the County do some chip and sealing soon.

**County Zoning Report – Dan Stokes:** Dan reported that he attended a meeting for the 10 yr comprehensive plan. The County wants to rewrite their zoning ordinances and condense the colors on the maps. They figure this will take about a year. August 27<sup>th</sup> will be their next meeting.

**Old Business:** Blue Sky Nursery: Tom Egan read the complaint letter that the Town sent to Russell Pomplun. Tom stated that the DNR has called and said the Pompluns were not doing anything wrong with what they are doing. They had left messages and had sent a letter to the Domkes and Pompluns. The Town had not received the letter from the DNR as of yet. The DNR and County have both said that the composting Pompluns are doing is not in any violation. Fred Kasten stated that we will have to receive the letter from the DNR so

the Town has it on file. Tom will follow up with the DNR for a copy of the letter. If we do not receive a letter, they will still be in fault.

Tom Egan went through the correspondence from the Office of District Attorney concerning defendants in the damage done at the Waukau Nature Center. Jerry Schoonover said that there it was rutted up, but the County owns the Center, even though it is in the Town of Rushford.

**New Business:** A Continuation Certificate for reclamation bond for Zilges Materials was received for August 2014 – August 2015. This bond is for the pit on Bell School Road. It was suggested to check into the pit on Morrow Road.

**Building Reports:**

Joan Oleson, 9015 St Road 91, Pickett, WI 685-2505  
12 x 12 shed – Wood covered with metal, self built  
\$3000 July 3, 2014

David Kallas, 4003 N Cty Rd K, Omro, 685-6139  
14 x 20 shed, self built  
\$3600 July 14, 2014

Robert Fink, 3074 Union St, Omro 420-6408  
Storage unit built by Steve Case  
\$15,000 July 16, 2014

Trevor Krueger for 3435 Chickadee Dr, Omro, WI  
New single family home built by Andy Sowls  
\$250,000 July 22, 2014

Robert & Donna Kirk, 9453 Stone School Road, Omro  
Stick built 1 ½ garage by Jerry Strehlow, Poysippi, WI  
\$15,000 July 28, 2014

**Reports of Attended Meetings:**

- Zoning Committee tour of Township on July 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 – Dan Stokes reported that the Board and the zoning committee went on a road tour and covered over 75% of the Township. The feeling was that we have a nice looking Town, it was a nice ride and a good road tour.
- Public hearing of the Discontinuance of portion of Liberty St in Eureka on July 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 – All except for one land owner was present and there were no comments or complaints. Peggy Hendricks said that the land owners received their deeds last week and everything was filed in the County.
- August 12<sup>th</sup> fall primary – Peggy Hendricks said that we had 154 voters, which was just a touch over the 15% expected turn out. (16.2%)

**Town Assessors Report:** Larry Timm gave Tom Egan a copy of his annual report and the Market Drive update for the Clerk. He went over the Town of Rushford sales for 2014 & the Statement of Changes in equalized values. He also presented his agreement for the year 2015 which will be on next month's agenda.

**Upcoming Meetings:** WTA Fall workshops and convention was mentioned, but it was suggested to bring these events up at the September meeting.

***Motion by Schoonover, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Egan to adjourn at 8:00. Motion carried.***

Respectfully submitted by Peggy Hendricks, Clerk