Rushford Town Board Minutes Wednesday, August 7, 2024

The Town of Rushford July Board meeting was called to order by Thomas Egan followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with Tom Egan, Jerry Schoonover, Katheryn Lewis & Peggy Hendricks present. (P. Kafer arrived at 7:03) Also present for all or part of the meeting: 9 additional persons per attendance record on file, though others were present who did not sign in.

<u>Statement of Public Notice</u>: Notice of this meeting, election equipment testing, & notice of public hearing was posted on the Town hall door, the corner of K&E in Eureka, the Waukau post office and the Towns website.

<u>Clerks Report</u>: Motion by Schoonover to approve the minutes from July 10, 2024. 2nd by Egan. Discussion: Motion carried.

<u>Treasurers Report</u> was given by Katheryn Lewis. The balance for the general account at the end of July was \$108,482.04. The balance in the tax account was \$2,126.90 Motion *by Schoonover*, 2nd *by Kafer to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.*

<u>Payment of Monthly Invoices:</u> Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to approve and pay \$57,305.78 invoices for August. Motion carried.

Public Input: Duane Wilson, running for District Assembly 57 introduced himself to the residents. Mike Sperger was also present campaigning for Mr. Wilson. Kevin Peterson, running for District Assembly 57th district was present to introduce himself and explained his positions.

<u>Winnebago Co Sheriffs Dept Representatives:</u> John Kressin, Winnebago Co Patrol Officer along with Jimmy Cher was present to answer any questions from the residents.

Communications & Correspondence: Tom Egan read the email from Attorney John Blazel pertaining to the Carlson property. The vendor doing the work was delayed with the weather and mechanical issues. He expected to be back and finish up in early August. Attorney Blazel asked if he could be sent some pictures and was wondering if an extension of 30 days would be acceptable. Delmore Consulting finished the Towns culvert inventory of 6-20'. The Town has 17 structures that qualify. They provided a free electronic map highlighting the location of the culverts and a spreadsheet. The link was provided to Freunds for their information. Delmore also submitted the reimbursement paperwork so we will receive a full refund from the WisDOT via the County.

<u>Old Business</u>: Updates on Kasuboski: Kasuboski has received a building permit from the Town and the State. According to Marty Johnson, state inspector, he did an inspection on June 28th and it did not pass for compliance with the State Building Code for occupancy. A list of the conditions was provided to the Town. According to the mediation agreement, Kasuboski had a deadline of August 1st to have the residence cleared for occupancy. Mr. Johnson has tried to contact the defendant to schedule another inspection, but the defendant will not return or answer his calls. *Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to contact Attorney Muza. If there is no reply, the Attorney should reopen the case (24-CV-31). Motion carried.*

Motion by Kafer, 2^{nd} by Schoonover to have the attorney contact Carlson that he has 30 days from todays date to finish the clean up. Motion carried.

Attorney Muza sent a letter that he is changing law offices as of August 1st to Kelly, Brand & Muza located at 303 Peral St, Oshkosh, WI.

With the Spencer property, the Town was awarded a judgement, but not much has approved. At the present they are not replying back to Attorney Blazel. Egan asked the attorney what the Town can do. Attorney Blazel said we would have to file another court procedure with a separate trial, stating they have a time frame to clean up. If it is not done by that time, the Town will go in, clean up and the bill

will be added to their tax bill. Even though a judgement was awarded to the town for approximately \$12,000, this money can not be collected until the property is sold. It is not about the money, the Town would just like the property cleaned up.

Motion by Kafer, 2^{nd} by Schoonover to contact John Blazel and to start new proceedings against Spencers. Motion carried.

<u>New Business:</u> CSM for Andrew Krenzke, 7400 CTH E, Omro, WI, parcel #022 05100102. The CSM has a split from 1 lot of 11.339 A into 2 parcels. It was asked if this is for a family member. This property was split a number of times already. The parcel is less then 20A and can not be split according to our ordinances. *Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to table this until September for further information is needed. Motion carried.*

Town Zoning report – Tom Jackson: All the zoning items have already been discussed. Jackson will take pictures of Spencers, Kasuboki's and Carlson to send to Attorney Blazel and he will talk to Martenson & Eisele about the CSM. There is a zoning meeting scheduled for July 28th to discuss the zoning application for this property.

Tom Jackson will be moving from the Township on the last weekend of September.

<u>Discussion on Town Maintenance:</u> Kafer said it would be nice to have the playground re-stained. A suggestion was to ask the 4-H. The Town would provide the materials. Tom Jackson mentioned he would talk to his daughter – Jody to have her bring it up at their meeting.

Kafer asked if the Town was going to be stump grinding. Freuends said Curt Hines would grind up the 3 stumps and fill in with black dirt at the hall for \$320. *Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to hire Hines to grind up the stumps. Motion carried.*

Kafer said next year if the budget allows, we should plant trees where those were for it looks bare without them.

Egan got an email from Nancy Plank on Lost Lane claiming there are large pot holes in the road. Freuends said they didn't really see anything. Freunds asked to be sent the contact information so they can go down to check it out.

There is a lot of ditching to do in the Township yet and about \$20,000 of chip sealing. According to the budget to bills to date, there is about \$67,900 left. Kafer said that the subdivision right off M needs some work. Egan said we would hold off Ferry Lane until the new home goes in. A patch on Quarry should be done. Kafer said the Town of Berlin is doing a lot of work on River Road. Kafer thought if work was doing there, we should do our small part there. He did not know who was doing the work.

Building Reports:

Chris Button, 8280 Cty Rd E, Omro, WI Blacktop driveway by Wolf River Asphalt \$10,000

\$10,000 022 045601 7/21/2024

Steven & Carol Eake, 3602 Bell Line Road 14 x 18 Concrete slab by Phelps Concrete Construction, Berlin \$3,000 #022 036801 7/22/2024

Bohn Farms, 8482 Hwy K, Omro Roof install by Eagle Roofing of Wisconsin \$21,500 #022 0593 7/30/2024

Roger Kasuboski, 3375 State Rd 116, Omro, WI Finish single family home \$100,000 022 052801 7-2-2024 Eureka PM LLC, 3085 Cty Rd E, Omro, WI 8 x 40 and 8 x 8 containers \$20,000 022 14910101

7-8-2024

County report: They are working on budget sessions. They just hired a new administrative assistant coming from Missouri. They are looking for a new IT person. They are re-writing the rules with a task force for they have not been done for many years.

Upcoming meetings:

Fall election on August 13th
Zoning hearing and meeting on August 28, 2024

Motion by Kafer, 2nd by Schoonover to adjourn the meeting at 8:10. Motion carried. Respectfully submitted by Peggy Hendricks, Clerk