

# TOWN OF RIB MOUNTAIN

## *Regular Town Board Meeting*

*October 21, 2008*

Chairman Allen Opall called the meeting of the Rib Mountain Town Board to order at 7:00 p.m. in the large meeting room at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center, 3700 North Mountain Road. Present were Chairman Allen Opall and Supervisors LeRoy Jonas, James Legner and Frederick Schaefer, a quorum. Excused: Supervisor John Sybeldon.

Also present were Town Attorney Philip Freeburg, Town Administrator Gaylene Rhoden, Fire Chief Paul Wirth, Building Inspector Daniel Dziadosz, Streets/Parks Superintendent Scott Schatschneider and Clerk/Treasurer Patricia Jahns.

On October 17, 2008 copies of the meeting notice were made available to the media, Town Board, Town Attorney and posted at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center.

**Minutes: Motion by Jonas/Legner to approve the minutes of the 10/7/08 regular and 9/30/08 & 10/14/08 special Town Board meetings. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Plan Commission Report & Recommendations - The Plan Commission meets October 22.

Selection of Firm for Safe Routes to School and Resurfacing Project - The Safe Routes to School grant requires the Town to go through Quality Based Selection for engineering firms. The Town received six proposals which were narrowed down to three by the initial selection committee. Interviews were held October 21. Based on scoring, the group recommended Earth Tech AECOM. **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve AECOM as the engineering firm for the Safe Routes to School and Resurfacing project. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

**Motion by Schaefer/Jonas to authorize the Town Chairman to enter into a contract with EarthTech AECOM for the Safe Routes to School and Resurfacing project subject to Town Attorney review. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Budget Amendments - Authorized expenditures not included in the adopted 2008 budget included the lobby sign for \$7,950, security cameras for \$8,805, and \$19,491 for a heavy duty ambulance chassis and additional ambulance

equipment. The Finance & Personnel Committee recommended approval of these budget amendments. **Motion by Schaefer/Jonas to amend the 2008 budget for \$7,950 for the lobby sign. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

**Motion by Legner/Jonas to amend the 2008 budget for \$8,805 for security cameras at the Municipal Center and Doepke Park. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

**Motion by Schaefer/Jonas to amend the 2008 budget for \$19,491 for ambulance apparatus. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

2009 Ambulance and Fire Protection Service Agreements with Town of Marathon and Town of Stettin – **Motion by Legner/Jonas to authorize the Town Chairman to sign the agreements for ambulance and fire protection with the Town of Marathon and Town of Stettin. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Authorization for Administrator to approve Change Orders for Second Floor Construction of Public Safety Building if Less than \$5,000 – It has been recommended that the Administrator approve change orders that are less than \$5,000 for construction of the second floor of the Public Safety Building to remain on schedule. **Motion by Jonas/Legner to authorize Administrator Rhoden to approve change orders for the second floor construction at the Public Safety Building if they are less than \$5,000. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Ordinance 08-16: Increase Motel Tax .5 Percent – **Motion by Schaefer/Jonas to adopt and approve Ordinance 08-16 to increase the motel tax to 7.5% effective 1/1/09. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Ordinance 08-17: Increase Ambulance Rates – **Motion by Jonas/Legner to adopt and approve ambulance rate increases effective January 1, 2009. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

New Hires: Fire Department – Fire Chief Wirth recommended the hiring of Dean Goulet, William Leone and Jaclyn Murray; Daniel Gatz subject to area residency, and Evan Rose and Ashley Lekfield subject to successful Department interviews. **Motion by Legner/Jonas to hire Dean Goulet, William Leone and Jaclyn Murray; Daniel Gatz subject to area residency, and Evan Rose and Ashley Lekfield subject to successful Department interviews. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Public Works Mechanic's Completion of Probation – David Falasky completed his probation on October 8. **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve the rate of \$18.65 per hour effective 10/8/08 for David Falasky for successful completion of his probationary period. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

License and Permit Applications - **Motion by Schaefer/Jonas to approve operator licenses for Heidi M. Diers and Blair Hubbard. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

**Motion by Schaefer/Jonas to approve an application for Granite Peak Ski Area to hold fireworks displays on 12/31/08, 1/10/09, 2/7/09 and 3/17/09 subject to the Town being named as an additional insured and being notified of any changes in insurance coverage. Questioned and carried 4:0.** Attorney Freeburg was directed to prepare an amendment to the Fireworks ordinance to include language for a \$75 fee per event and language that the Town shall be notified of changes in insurance.

Forthcoming Events:

- Doepke Recreation Area Fund Raising Committee: None
- Walkable Community Committee: Meeting on October 23.
- Park Commission Report: Lette Becker is the new Park Commission President.
- Public Safety Committee Report: Chairman Opall noted a recent newspaper article about hunting within City limits.
- Public Works Committee Report: Meeting on October 30 at 4:30 p.m. at the intersection of State Park Road and CTH R to discuss the state park trail.
- Finance & Personnel Committee Report: None
- Town Chairman Report: None
- Town Supervisor Reports: None
- Town Administrator Report: Gaylene Rhoden filed a written report for the Board's review. She noted the Town was notified that a Rib Mountain business is considering relocating to the City of Wausau. She reported there was enough in the Contingency Account to pay for an additional \$652 for software for the computers for the Assessor and Code Enforcement Officer.
- Attorney Freeburg: None
- Fire Chief Report: Paul Wirth distributed a written report for the Board's review. He noted there is a mass casualty scenario tonight at Granite Peak.

- Building Inspector Report: Daniel Dziadosz reviewed his written report. He apprised the Board of the status of Assessor Plat #8.
- Streets/Parks Superintendent Scott Schatschneider submitted a written report for the Board's review. He apprised the Board of crew activities.
- Clerk/Treasurer Report: Patricia Jahns submitted a written report for the Board's review. Staff is currently overwhelmed by new voter registrations and absentee ballot applications for the November 4 Presidential Election. Two poll workers are now processing applications during office hours until Election Day. The Municipal Center will be open Saturday, November 1, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon for voting purposes. She also provided September bank balances and long term debt. **Motion by Schaefer/Jonas to approve payment of Checks 33850-33970. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Public Comment Period – None

Adjourn - Motion by Schaefer/Legner to adjourn at 7:47 p.m. Questioned and carried 4:0.

Patricia J. Jahns, MMC/WCPC/CMTW  
Clerk/Treasurer