

# TOWN OF RIB MOUNTAIN

## *Regular Town Board Meeting*

*October 7, 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 Frederick Schaefer and John Sybeldon. Excused: James Legner and LeRoy Jonas IV.

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 3, 2008 copies of the meeting notice were made available to the media, Town Board, Town Attorney and posted at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center.

Presentation by Roger Luce on Enhancing a Biomedical Cluster in Marathon County - Dave Eckman, Economic Development Director, provided information on a concept the Wausau Region Chamber of Commerce and McDEVCO have been working on for the past six months. It is based on the joint municipalities agreement to work together to develop a sustainable regional economic development plan. He identified opportunities in manufacturing, medical research and development, and corporate extensions.

The Chamber is asking municipalities to consider contributing \$1 per person. Mr. Eckman asked the Board to consider setting aside \$7,660 to support the Chamber initiatives when it has a plan and achievable goals.

Supervisor Schaefer inquired about Rib Mountain's opportunities and if communities will be shown equally. Mr. Eckman responded opportunities for Rib Mountain include creation of jobs, health care, access to business centers, its location along CTH R and increased retail travel. He added that the intention of the municipalities agreement was for the region to capture opportunities and noted there is a ripple effect with one employer which builds wealth in our region.

**Minutes: Motion by Schaefer/Sybeldon to approve the minutes of the 9/16/08 regular Town Board meeting. Questioned and carried 3:0.**

Plan Commission Report & Recommendations – The Plan Commission meets October 8.

Resolution 08-14: Jurisdictional Transfer of Real Estate from State of Wisconsin to Town of Rib Mountain for Trillium Lane – WisDOT requested the Town take ownership of a segment of Trillium Lane which will be described as Urban Local. The resolution states the Town will formally accept the jurisdiction and maintenance responsibility of .074 miles of Trillium Lane along with the right-of-way associated with it. The Board suggested the Plan Commission consider mapping the extension of Trillium Lane to Foxglove Road. **Motion by Schaefer/Sybeldon to approve Resolution 08-14 for the jurisdictional transfer of the segment of Trillium Lane and the Quit Claim Deed subject to the Town Attorney’s review. Questioned and carried 3:0.**

Chairman’s Appointments: Election Officials – Chairman Opall recommended the appointment of Eleonore Murphy, Judy Louis, Cassandra Franck and Beverly Meyer as election officials due to recent vacancies. **Motion by Schaefer/Sybeldon to approve the appointments subject to CCAP record check. Questioned and carried 3:0.**

License Applications – **Motion by Schaefer/Sybeldon to approve operator licenses for Lynette N. Cavett and Dorothy M. Suttner. Questioned and carried 3:0.**

**Motion by Sybeldon/Schaefer to approve a direct seller license for Morey’s Evergreens & Excavating to sell holiday trees and wreaths. Questioned and carried 3:0.**

Forthcoming Events:

- Doepke Recreation Area Fund Raising Committee: None
- Walkable Community Committee: None
- Park Commission Report: None
- Public Safety Committee Report: None
- Public Works Committee Report: None
- Finance & Personnel Committee Report and Recommendations: **Motion by Schaefer/Sybeldon to approve the agreements with Alliance Collection Agencies, Inc. and the Security Health insurance plan renewal. Questioned and carried 3:0.** Budget amendments will be approved at the next Town Board meeting.

- Town Chairman Report: Allen Opall received a request for relief for the vision triangle at the intersection of Foxglove Road and Azalea Road.
- Town Supervisor Reports: Supervisor Schaefer commented he observed utilization of Doepke Park by many families.
- Town Administrator Report: Gaylene Rhoden filed a written report for the Board's review. She reminded the Board to RSVP to invitations extended by the Bone & Joint Clinic.
- Attorney Freeburg: Philip Freeburg reported El Tapatio surrendered its alcohol license; updated the Board on the status of the erroneous Nelson property tax refund; and apprised the Board of Kurzynski's encroachment on the Town's easement.
- Fire Chief Report: Paul Wirth distributed a written report for the Board's review. He noted Sam's Club and Wal-Mart donated over \$2,300 to furnish the upstairs of the Fire Department.
- Building Inspector Report: Daniel Dziadosz reviewed his written report and comprehensive zoning code changes. He apprised the Board of inspections with the State Inspector and two projects underway without state approvals. The surveyor for Assessor Plat #8 contacted the Town to obtain signatures from property owners in the Assessor Plat.
- 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 short written report for the Board's review. She noted absentee ballots are available for the General Election and the Municipal Center will be open this Saturday, October 11, from 9-noon for voter registration and absentee voting.

Public Comment Period – None

**Adjourn - Motion by Schaefer/Sybeldon to adjourn at 7:42 p.m. Questioned and carried 3:0.**

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