

# TOWN OF RIB MOUNTAIN

## *Regular Town Board Meeting*

*August 18, 2009*

Chairman Allen Opall called the meeting of the Rib Mountain Town Board to order at 7:05 p.m. at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center, 3700 North Mountain Road. Present were Supervisors Peter Kachel, James Legner, Frederick Schaefer and John Sybeldon.

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

On August 14, 2009 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 Sybeldon/Legner to approve the minutes of the 8/4/09 regular and 8/10/09 special Town Board meetings. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

2009 Borrowing Presentation by Ehlers & Associates - Dave Wagner of Ehlers & Associates provided a summary and schedule for proposed capital financing along with bid tabulations from recent bond sales. He reviewed the two resolutions on the agenda noting that one is for the State Trust Fund Build America Bonds and the other is a traditional tax exempt general obligation note issue. He explained that Wausau's recent bond sale for less than two percent is not likely for Rib Mountain as it is a volatile market despite credit worthiness. The Town's proposed financing has been re-evaluated and it will be more advantageous with the BAB approach through the State Trust Fund as there is no underwriter's fee, no bond rating fee, and the Town will maintain a level tax rate. Also Wausau needed \$9.6 million while the State of Wisconsin does ten-year note issues with a limit of \$2.5 million.

The Town will be able to close on the issue with the State Trust Funds after September 1 with an annual March payment beginning in 2011. A full competitive sale takes four weeks and is subject to market risks. Bond counsel recommended pulling out a land purchase from the 2009 borrowing as the Board did not hold a Town electors' meeting. However, the STF assumes local opinion over that of bond counsel. The Town can make a prepayment with the STF between January 1 and August 1 each year while open market investors want assurance a note won't be paid off for seven or eight years.

Resolution 09-08: Authorizing An Application for a State Trust Fund Loan from and the Issuance of Certificates of Indebtedness to the State of Wisconsin Board of Commissioners of Public Lands, and Making Certain Covenants Relating to the Build America Bond Program - **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve Resolution 09-08 Authorizing an Application for a State Trust Fund Loan from and the Issuance of Certificates of Indebtedness to the State of Wisconsin Board of Commissioners of Public Lands, and Making Certain Covenants Relating to the Build America Bond Program. Questioned and carried 5:0 by roll call vote.**

Resolution Providing for the Sale of \$2,305,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes - **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to reject the resolution providing for the Sale of \$2,305,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Consideration of \$2,277,214 State of Trust Fund Loan Application for the Purpose of Financing Various Capital Projects - **Motion by Kachel/Schaefer to approve the State Trust Fund loan application for \$2,277,214 to fund capital projects. Questioned and carried 5:0 by roll call vote.**

Amendment to Engineering Contract for Rib Mountain Drive Project - The Public Works Committee met prior to the Town Board meeting and recommended approval of a \$4,000 amendment to AECOM's engineering contract for Rib Mountain Drive. **Motion by Kachel/Legner to approve the Public Works Committee recommendation to amend the AECOM engineering contract in the amount of \$4,000 for an environmental report. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

New Hires: Crossing Guard Substitutes - **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve the hiring of Eugene Viegut, Janet Stroik and Bonnie Martin as substitute Crossing Guards at the rate of \$10.41 per hour in order to create a pool of substitute crossing guards to assist with future staffing needs. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Approval of Purchase of 18" Radar Speed Display Sign - Scott proposed upgrading the existing pedestrian signals at the intersection of Partridge Avenue and CTH NN. The cost of an 18" radar speed display sign is \$6,490. Scott reported there is available funding of \$2,500 in the capital equipment reserve account and \$4,000 in the 2009 Signs & Markings budget. **Motion by Legner/Schaefer to spend up to \$6,500 for a portable radar speed display sign. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Ordinance 09-06 Open Pit Mining Fee - **Motion by Schaefer/Sybeldon to adopt and approve Ordinance 09-06 regarding the fee for open pit mining. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

**Ordinance 09-07 Outdoor Sales Fee – Motion by Schaefer/Legner to adopt and approve Ordinance 09-07 regarding the fee for outdoor sales and assembly. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

License Applications – There were no applications.

Forthcoming Events:

- Doepke Recreation Area Fund Raising Committee: None
- Walkable Community Committee: The Committee will meet August 20.
- Park Commission Report: None
- Public Safety Committee Report: None
- Public Works Committee Report: The Committee met prior to the Town Board meeting for an update on Rib Mountain Drive. A closed meeting will follow the Town Board meeting to consider property acquisition for the Rib Mountain Drive project.
- 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 reported while there is adequate space for bike lanes on CTH R, no money has been placed in the County's budget for striping. She noted the refuse and recycling bids will be on the next Town Board agenda. She thanked Dan Dziadosz and Bill Hebert for their assistance with reviewing the bids.
- Town Attorney: None
- Fire Chief Report: Paul Wirth provided a run report for July/ Aug and reported he expects a landscaping quote for the Public Safety Building next week.
- Building Inspector Report: Daniel Dziadosz submitted a written report for the Board's review. He will provide the Board with a detailed memo regarding the refuse and recycling bids at the next Town Board meeting. He reported no single family permits have been issued and he will be on vacation the first two weeks in September.

- Streets/Parks Superintendent Scott Schatschneider apprised the Board of crew activities and public works projects noting that school crosswalks have been painted.
- Clerk/Treasurer Report: Patricia Jahns submitted a written report. The Wisconsin Department of Administration estimates Rib Mountain's population at 7,652. If the Board challenges this preliminary estimate, it must file specific written objections with supporting evidence. She also provided July bank balances and long term debt balances. **Motion by Legner/Sybeldon to approve payment of checks 35370-35477. Questioned and carried 5:0.**
- Code Enforcement Officer: None

Public Comment Period – None

Adjourn - **Motion by Kachel/Legner to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Patricia J. Jahns,  
Clerk/Treasurer