

TOWN OF RIB MOUNTAIN
Regular Town Board Meeting
November 17, 2015

Vice Chairman Fred Schaefer called the November 17, 2015 regular meeting of the Rib Mountain Town Board to order at 6:37 p.m. at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center, 3700 North Mountain Road, Wausau, WI. Supervisors present were Jim Legner, Gerry Klein and Pete Kachel. Chairman Allen Opall was excused.

Also present were Administrator Gaylene Rhoden, Attorney Kevin Terry, Streets/Parks Superintendent Scott Turner, Community Development Director Steve Kunst, Finance Director/Clerk Jessica Trautman and Deputy Clerk Michelle Peter.

On November 13, 2015 copies of the meeting notice were made available to the media, Town Board, Town Attorney and posted at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center.

Comments from the Public Related to Town Board Agenda Items – None

Approve Minutes of 11/3/2015 Regular and Special Town Board Meetings and Budget Workshop Meetings 10/27/15 and 11/3/2015 – **Motion by Kachel/Schaefer Klein/Legner to approve the minutes of the 11/3/2015 Regular and Special Town Board meetings and Budget Workshop Meetings 10/27/15 and 11/3/15. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Plan Commission Minutes of 11/11/2015 – Review only

Plan Commission –

REI agent, amendment to the Town of Rib Mountain Comprehensive Plan 2005 to incorporate the “Conceptual Land Use Study the Hall Property CTH N and Bittersweet Rd” for the properties addressed 2902 and 3400 South Mountain Rd; Pcls 34.162807.16.00, 34.162807.15.00, 34.162807.14.00 and 34.16280703.00; Dkt# 2015-32 – Community Development Director Kunst stated the proposed document represents a new method of land use planning within the Town of Rib Mountain. Area/Site specific plans such as this proposal are widely used as planning and development tools in urbanized areas. This allows for greater project detail and public dialogue. It is the intent to have this area specific plan incorporated within the Town of Rib Mountain Comprehensive Plan as an appendix.

Tom Radenz of REI presented a conceptual plan for Hall Farm property. The site consists of 160 acres. The site plan is broken into four areas for development. The northern most part would be the area for possible development first. Conceptual thoughts would be for an Estate Residential District, one home per acre. If a developer proceeds, they are proposing four to six houses to set the tone for development. The southern portion along County Highway N would be zoned Mixed Residential, with duplexes and possible low dentistry commercial ie: churches and/or daycare.

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Board members presented some concerns that neighbors have expressed like the extra traffic at the dead end of Bellflower and pedestrian accommodations. **Motion by Klein/Kachel to approve the Comprehensive Plan Amendment request to incorporate Conceptual Land Use Study Hall Property CTH N and Bittersweet Road Town of Rib Mountain, WI as an appendix. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Approval of Marathon County Humane Society for Non-Dog Strays – Administrator Rhoden informed the Board the Humane Society is providing a couple of contract options. Option A: is the \$5000 annual contract with an implemented credit back to municipalities for animals returned to owners within the seven day hold period. Option B: is based on projected history of stray taken at a cost of \$3420 for 20 animals. Anything after that would be \$200 per additional animal. **Motion by Kachel/Legner to approve Option A: for \$4720 for the 2016 Humane Society Contract for non-dog strays with credit provided. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Approval of Rib Mountain Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan – Street/Park Superintendent Turner has updated their completed and long range project mapping to be used in future developments. **Motion by Legner/Kachel to approve the Rib Mountain Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan as presented. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Approval of Change Order for Rib Mountain Drive Phase 1.5 Project – Street Superintendent Turner stated now that Rib Mountain Dr Phase 1.5 is complete final quantities are being tabulated. Several items during construction were not included in the project plan and payment is being required. The change order cost is \$10,284.43. \$3,750.00 will be assessed to Dick's Sporting Goods as part of the intersection improvements and the remaining balance of \$6,534.43 will be the Town's portion. **Motion by Legner/Klein to approve Change Order #3 for the Rib Mountain Dr Phase 1.5 Construction in the amount of \$10,284.43. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Approval of Operator License(s) – **Motion by Legner/Klein to approve the operator license for Heidi Gutowski. Questioned and carried 4:0**

Reports Chairman – None

Town Board – Supervisor Kachel received a thank you card from a resident who received a gift card for proper recycling practices. They in return have given the Town a \$20 gift card for donuts. Supervisor Klein expressed traffic issues with speeders which has become problematic. He is seeking cost for speed ramps. Supervisor Legner asked if the Town had reviewed the poor patching on Highway KK.

Other Agencies – Rib Mountain Sanitary District, Mike Heyroth informed the board the district has completed the flushing of water mains and may conduct smaller more often flushings in problems areas. Their budget has been completed and their water system study has been complied with no major issues.

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Town Attorney – Attorney Terry updated the board on the Public Notice posting procedures that have been enacted. The Town is only required to publish in one public place and on its website.

Town Administrator – Written report provided. She also highlighted the installation of the new overhead projector, minor upgrade changes to the Town's website and Highway 29 interchange construction projects that could begin in 2018 – 2020.

Community Development Director – Reported submitted in packet. The building inspector will be taking his second certification test tomorrow.

Street-Parks Superintendent – Detailed report provided. He noted the Town did not receive a Tri-Grant for Aster Rd. He will be out of the office starting December 1st on medical leave for 4 to 6 weeks.

Finance Director/Clerk – Report provided and working on power point presentation for budget hearing.

Code Enforcement Officer – None

Park Commission – Met last week and have recommended to not help maintain the mowing operations for the soccer fields at South Mountain Elementary School.

Finance Personnel – Schedule a meeting prior to the Town Board of Dec 1st.

Public Safety Committee – Supervisor Kachel highlighted items discussed at last week's meeting: lifting of firearm restrictions by Trillium Ln, Grass/Weed Ordinance, 2016 Humane Society Contract and implementation of Husbandry Ordinance.

Public Works Committee – Meeting tonight addressed traffic light concerns at Robin Ln/CTH R and Parrot Ln/Rib Mtn Dr, stormwater utility and a new trail by Dick's Sporting Goods.

Walkable Community Committee – Meeting scheduled for this Thursday

General Comments – None

Adjourn – **Motion by Kachel/Legner to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

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Submitted by
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Deputy Clerk

Note: These minutes are not to be considered official until acted upon at an upcoming regular meeting, therefore, they are subject to revision.