

TOWN OF RIB MOUNTAIN
Regular Town Board Meeting
September 20, 2016

Chairman Allen Opall called the September 20, 2016 regular meeting of the Rib Mountain Town Board to order at 5:10 p.m. at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center, 3700 North Mountain Road, Wausau, WI. Supervisors present included Pete Kachel, Fred Schaefer, and Gerry Klein. Supervisor Jim Legner was excused.

Also present were Administrator Gaylene Rhoden, Attorney Robert Reinertson, Community Development Director Steve Kunst, Finance Director/Clerk Jessica Trautman, SAFER Fire Chief Matt Savage, and Street/Park Superintendent Scott Turner.

On September 16, 2016 copies of the meeting notice were made available to the media, Town Board, Town Attorney and posted at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center and Town website.

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

Approve Minutes of 9/6/16 regular Town Board Meeting – **Motion by Kachel/Klein to approve the minutes of the 9/6/16 Regular Town Board Meeting. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Plan Commission

Plan Commission Minutes from the 9/14/16 Meetings for Review – Kunst said at the meeting the Commission discussed waving fees for two Habitat for Humanity new home projects and staff was looking for an opinion from the Town Board. The Town Board discussed the type of homes that are built by this group and who actually does the construction of the structure. Opinion of the Town Board is that they had no problem waiving the permit fees, but the Park Commission should comment on waiving of park impact fees.

Approval of WDNR Urban Forestry Grant – Partner Verification for Emerald Ash Borer Planning – Street/Park Superintendent Turner explained the opportunity the Town had with the Urban Forestry Grant. He also explained the cash match and in-kind labor the Town will have to do as part of the grant. **Motion by Legner /Kachel to approve the WDNR Urban Forestry Grant – Partner Verification for Emerald Ash Borer Planning and requested that Liberty Park be included in the planning. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Approval of Contract for Emergency Siren Installation - Street/Park Superintendent Turner discussed the results of the Request for Proposals for the Emergency Siren. The Town received two proposals. Turner went through the proposals with the Board. The Town Board discussed the different size sirens, locations for sirens, and height options. Turner said staff recommends the Town accept the proposal from Federal Signal. **Motion by Schaefer / Kachel to approve the contract for emergency siren installation at the Public Safety Building and Yard Waste Site with Federal Signal in amount of \$33,960.54. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Approval of Request for Tourism Funds – Wrut Run Rotary – Rotary representative, Debi Traeder, informed the Town Board about the projects the Rotary Club funds in the community. One of the events that helps raise funds for these needed projects is the Wrut Run. She said the Wrut ‘n Run event draws over 200 people to the area. She discussed the different types of

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advertising they are doing now to draw people from out of the area and bring to Rib Mountain. The Town Board discussed the funds to be used if a donation were to be made. **Motion by Kachel / Klein to approve a donation of \$2,500 for the Wausau Noon Rotary Club's Wrut 'n Run with funds coming from the hotel/motel tax fund (old). Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Approval of Resolution #16-13 – Satisfaction of Mortgage for Block Grant Loan #337 –. **Motion by Schaefer / Klein to approve Resolution #16-13 Satisfaction of Mortgage for Block Grant Loan # 337. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Approval of Amusement Devices– **Motion by Klein / Schaefer to approve an amusement devise license application for Rib Mountain Tap House, LLC. Questioned and carried 4:0**

Approval of Operator License – Attorney Reinertson saw no reason to deny the applicants. **Motion by Schaefer / Klein to approve the operator license for Jason Dahl, Amanda Smith, Daniel Vaughn, and Victoria Zirbel. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Reports/Minutes

Town Board

Board Members – Supervisor Schaefer said he would like Paul to check on the parking situation and the ditch line on Park Road needs to be weeded. Supervisor Klein said he and Town Administrator Rhoden attended an Infrastructure Committee meeting at the County requesting acquisition of property from the County for a potential future dog park. The County committee recommended the sale of the recently acquired property from the DOT to be sold to the Town for \$1, and sale of the other County owned parcel for \$5,800. This recommendation was forwarded to the County Finance Committee. Chairman Opall discussed the reclamation project completed at Bluegill Bay Park.

Other Agencies –SAFER Chief, Matt Savage, said they recently hired six (6) new Paid on Call employees and have hired a new Battalion Chief who will start in a couple weeks. Currently they are working on finalizing their 2017 Budget.

Town Attorney – Invited everyone to the Local Government Seminar Rudar Ware is hosting on Wednesday, September 30th.

Town Administrator – Administrator Rhoden provided a written report. She reminded the Town Board of the Budget meeting next Tuesday at 5:00 PM.

Community Development Director – A written report was included in the packet. Updated the Town Board on the progress of the Hull Farm.

Street-Parks Superintendent – Mr. Turner provided a written report in the packet. Turner also mentioned contractors are working on the final pavement for Parrot Lane.

Finance Director/Clerk – A written reported was provided.

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Park Commission – None

Finance Personnel – None

Public Safety Committee – None

Public Works Committee – None

Bicycle/Ped Committee – None

General Comments – None

Adjourn – **Motion by Kachel/Schaefer to adjourn at 6:10 p.m. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Submitted by
Jessica Trautman
Finance Director/Clerk

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