

TOWN OF RIB MOUNTAIN

Regular Town Board Meeting

August 4, 2009

Chairman Allen Opall called the meeting of the Rib Mountain Town Board to order at 7:02 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 July 31, 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 Legner/Sybeldon to approve the minutes of the 7/21/09 regular Town Board meeting. Questioned and carried 5:0.

Presentation of Survey Results by Greener Tomorrow Group - Residents Scott Miles and Brian Bushnell of Greener Tomorrow were in attendance to apprise the Board of interest by businesses for the extension of bus service to Rib Mountain's commercial district. Scott presented an overview of the bus service survey, the letter that was sent with the survey, and survey results. There was a 50% response from businesses. Two options were provided by Metro Ride, extend bus service into the Town or provide a transfer station at 17th and Thomas. The approximate cost of extended bus service at half hour intervals is approximately \$85,000.

Businesses would have to petition the Town to establish a business improvement district which would assess each business based on either valuation or front footage. Scott Miles reported most businesses reported they either needed corporate approval or the economy was bad. It appears that while businesses may be interested in bus service they don't want to contribute to its cost.

Supervisor Schaefer mentioned the lack of pedestrian facilities. Although that could go hand in hand with the redevelopment of Rib Mountain Drive. Gaylene noted that calls are from non-residents who request public transit. It is a conundrum for the Town Board as it is non-taxpayers who are requesting bus service to Rib Mountain.

The Town will send out a survey in the next Town Beat newsletter to poll citizens to determine their interest. Chairman Opall thanked Scott and Brian for their efforts.

Contract with Jeff Musson for Municipal Building Architectural Services - The contract does not commit the Town to more than Phase 1 and 2. **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve the contract for \$8,000 with Jeff R. Musson Architect LLC for professional services for Phase 1 and 2 for the renovation of the existing Municipal Center located at 3700 North Mountain Road. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Resolution 09-06: Special Hunt in Rib Mountain State Park - **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve Resolution 09-06: Firearms Discharge in Rib Mountain State Park which exempts the state park for one year. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Developer Agreement for Ryan & Amy Burnett for Dogwood Road Access - **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve the residential developer agreement with Ryan & Amy Burnett for Dogwood Road Access south of CTH "N". Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Certified Survey Map Approval for Ryan & Amy Burnett Accepting Dedication of Dogwood Road (south of CTH N) - The Town will not be fiscally responsible for building any road nor for providing services. This will prevent anyone to come back in the future demanding the Town to put in a road. **Motion by Schaefer/Sybeldon to approve the certified survey map for Ryan & Amy Burnett accepting dedication of Dogwood Road (south of CTH N). Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Chairman's Appointment - **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve the appointment of Sandi Waring, 2100 Park Road, as a Park Commissioner with a term expiring 7/1/2016. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve the reappointment of Tom Muellner as Chairman of the Plan Commission with a term expiring 4/2014. Questioned and carried 5:0.

Motion by Legner/Sybeldon to approve the reappointment of Joe Mella and Joe Wachtel to the Zoning Board of Appeals with terms expiring 4/2012. Questioned and carried 5:0.

Approval of Agent for Aldi #38 - **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve Kim L. Follen as the agent for Aldi #38. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

License Applications - None

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: The Committee will meet at 6:30 p.m. on August 18. Scott reported Charter is digging due to an emergency situation and Gaylene reported excavation permit schedules are on track as of April.
- Finance & Personnel Committee Report: None
- Town Chairman Report: Allen Opall reported he viewed the storm damages in the Indigo Heights area from August 2.
- Town Supervisor Reports: None
- Town Administrator Report: Gaylene Rhoden filed a written report for the Board's review. She reported the Lions Club donated \$1,200 for bike racks and they requested them to be identified as their donations. Ehlers & Associates apprised her that the City of Wausau obtained a 1.9% bond issue on Friday on the open market. The Town may want to revisit its strategy with State Trust Fund Build America Bonds.
- Town Attorney: Chris Toner reported on the status of the Kurzynski issue and that he is working with the CEO for code compliance with another resident. He also commented that the Memorandum of Understanding with Mark Dodge is not a binding contract and is vague intentionally. Supervisor Schaefer will review the Town Attorney's edit; obtain the signature of the Town Chairman on the contract; mail the contract to Mr. Dodge and email him that it is coming and ask him when he can meet.
- Fire Chief Report: Paul Wirth reported on dates he will be out of the office and noted that Kronenwetter is a prospect for a service contract.
- Building Inspector Report: Daniel Dziadosz submitted a written report for the Board's review. He also provided July permit activity and reported on the County's storm damage assessment.

- Streets/Parks Superintendent Scott Schatschneider apprised the Board of crew activities and public works projects. He noted one of the property owners is dissatisfied with the storm sewer system that was installed at the corner of Mandarin and Merganser. He proceeded to talk about a radar speed display sign to attach to the Partridge Avenue pedestrian crossing light. **Motion by Schaefer to approve \$6,500 to purchase the radar speed sign.** Motion died for lack of a second as item was not on the agenda. It was referred to the August 18, 2009 Town Board agenda for action.
- Clerk/Treasurer Report: Patricia Jahns submitted a written report. She reported the Town has an opportunity designate the Community Foundation / Doepke Park to receive exclusive monetary donations from the Bank of Wausau.
- Code Enforcement Officer: Paul Hursh filed a report of July activities.

Public Comment Period – None

Adjourn - **Motion by Kachel/Legner to adjourn at 7:58 p.m. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

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