

TOWN OF RIB MOUNTAIN

Regular Town Board Meeting

November 18, 2008

Supervisor Frederick Schaefer 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 Supervisors LeRoy Jonas, James Legner and Frederick Schaefer, a quorum. Excused: Chairman Allen Opall and Supervisor John Sybeldon.

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

On November 14, 2008 copies of the meeting notice were made available to the media, Town Board and posted at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center.

Minutes: Motion by Jonas/Legner to approve the minutes of the 10/21/08 regular and special Town Board meetings. Questioned and carried 3:0.

Plan Commission Report & Recommendations - Docket 06-53: Town of Rib Mountain requesting a comprehensive amendment to the Town zoning regulations regarding livestock siting. The proposed changes are related to the zoning ordinance text and changes in the zoning district map creating new residential, recreational and agricultural districts. The Plan Commission recommended approval for the comprehensive amendment to the Town zoning regulations regarding livestock siting and creating new residential, recreational and agricultural districts. The comprehensive amendment to the Town zoning regulations was on file in the Clerk's Office for three weeks prior to the hearing. According to a survey sent to owners of existing farmed parcels early in the planning process there were no intensive agriculture uses in place.

Daniel explained the existing Rural Agriculture (RA) District is replaced by four districts. Rural Ag 1 District is traditional farming with less than 500 animal units. Rural Ag 2 District allows greater than 500 animal units and is restricted to the existing mining pit areas. The Outdoor Recreation (OR) District identifies existing state, county and local parks. The Rural Residential (RR) District is for parcels adjacent to RA District zoning where agricultural development would not be encouraged. The Doepke Farm on South Mountain Road was changed as adjacent land is zoned Estate Residential (ER).

All parcels that experienced some change may remain as existing, non-conforming uses. **Motion by Jonas/Legner to approve the comprehensive amendment to the Town zoning regulations regarding livestock siting. Questioned and carried 3:0.**

Docket 08-34: Reconsideration of Restor-U sign request (UDD modification of D&L Signs, representing Radies Properties, Inc., of its approved General Development Plan and Precise Implementation Plan for the purpose of erecting a pylon sign.) The Plan Commission recommended approval of the request for a 30' pylon sign. The Town Board asked Radies Properties, Inc. to resubmit additional designs. The Board reviewed a new design submitted by Mr. Radies that had a more decorative cabinet and a wrapped rectangular pylon. **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve the sign as presented at tonight's meeting to a maximum height of 28 feet. Questioned and carried 3:0.**

Approval of Assessor Plat #8 - There have been property description errors in the parcels in the two blocks north of Oriole Lane between CTH R and Bob-O-Link Avenue since the original platting. The County requested an assessor plat after it constructed CTH R and identified description errors which prevented it from disposing of the remnant right-of way parcels.

All properties in Assessor Plat #8 will receive new legal descriptions. Dan explained the notification requirements and reported there were no objections to the recording of the final plat. All but one property owner has signed but the plat may be recorded once it has municipal approval. **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve Assessor Plat #8. Questioned and carried 3:0.**

Channel 7 Promotional Opportunity "Your Town" - As part of Channel 7's "Your Town" promotion in December, they are requesting sponsorship. Town participated 2 years ago. Several sponsorship packages are available and the Town could pay for the sponsorship with Rib Mountain tourism money. **Motion by Jonas/Legner to purchase the Copper Package for \$995. Questioned and carried 3:0.**

New Hires for Seasonal Snowplow Drivers - Scott recommended hiring Roy Sawczuk and John Grall at \$14.81 per hour and Eugene Setterman at \$15.25 per hour as seasonal snowplow drivers. **Motion by Legner/Jonas to hire Roy Sawczuk, John Grall and Eugene Setterman as seasonal snowplow drivers for the 08-09 winter season at the above stated hourly rates. Questioned and carried 3:0.**

License and Permit Applications - **Motion by Jonas/Schaefer to approve an operator license for Justin S. Belanger. Questioned and carried 3:0.**

Motion by Jonas/Legner to approve an operator license for Leroy L. Carroll subject to Chairman Opall's interview and approval. Questioned and carried 3:0.

Motion by Legner/Jonas to approve an operator license for Mandy R. Meyer. Questioned and carried 3:0.

Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve an operator license for Jennifer R. Nienow. Questioned and carried 3:0.

Motion by Jonas/Legner to approve an operator license for Sara Ann Roberts. Questioned and carried 3:0.

Motion by Jonas/Schaefer to approve an operator license for Joshua A. Schultz. Questioned and carried 3:0.

Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve operator licenses for Molly L. Shope, Amanda M. Zebro and Jodi S. Zempel. Questioned and carried 3:0.

Forthcoming Events:

- Doepke Recreation Area Fund Raising Committee: None
- Walkable Community Committee: The Committee will meet November 20 and review the Safe Routes to School survey results.
- Park Commission Report: The Park Commission held preliminary discussions with Wausau Youth Baseball regarding fees.
- Public Safety Committee Report: The next Committee agenda will include bow hunting on Town owned land and approval of the safety handbook.
- Public Works Committee Report: A meeting was held with residents at CTH R to discuss the Park Road trail. The Committee will discuss SLAMM modeling, replacing trees along the state park trail, rebuilding Robin Lane and Safe Routes to School, and contact Bradley Chiropractic regarding land at its next meeting.
- Finance & Personnel Committee Report: The next agenda will include interest income options and a policy for expenditures of Rib Mountain tourism money. Supervisor Schaefer is not available the first week of December and Supervisor Legner is available weekdays after 4:30 p.m.
- Town Supervisor Reports: Supervisor Legner inquired about restroom hours at the Doepke Park shelter. Staff was directed to coordinate these hours and make sure the doors were locked each night. Supervisor Schaefer requested that right-of-way variances be identified along Robin Lane.

- Town Administrator Report: Gaylene Rhoden filed a written report for the Board's review. She expressed concern about low interest earnings on Town investments and reported Staff has been exploring options to improve our interest income. Motel tax revenues are also coming in lower than expected.
- Fire Chief Report: Paul Wirth distributed a written report for the Board's review along with the October/November run report. He reported Med 2 needs to have the emergency brake repaired for about \$2,100.
- Building Inspector Report: Daniel Dziadosz reviewed his written report. He apprised the Board of the status of projects, noted the WiMax report, fence issues and changing technologies that need to be adapted in the Town's code.

Supervisor Schaefer gave further details about the possibility of a WiMax system in Rib Mountain. He and Staff are in the stage of getting cost estimates for using this newest radio technology. He explained the Town could borrow to set it all up and provide connectivity at a lower price. More information will be available at the second meeting in December.

- Streets/Parks Superintendent Scott Schatschneider submitted a written report for the Board's review. He apprised the Board of crew activities and public works projects.
- Clerk/Treasurer Report: Patricia Jahns submitted a written report and provided October bank balances and long term debt for the Board's review. She noted the Municipal Office will be closed November 27 and 28 for the Thanksgiving holiday. The Budget Hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, November 25, at 6:00 p.m. **Motion by Jonas/Legner to approve payment of Checks 33971-34096. Questioned and carried 3:0.**

Public Comment Period – None

Adjourn - Motion by Jonas/Legner to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. Questioned and carried 3:0.

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