

TOWN OF RIB MOUNTAIN

Regular Town Board Meeting

January 18, 2011

Chairman Allen Opall called the meeting of the Rib Mountain Town Board to order at 6:31 p.m. at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center, 3700 North Mountain Road. Present were Supervisors Pete Kachel, Jim Legner and Fred Schaefer, a quorum. Excused: Supervisor John Sybeldon.

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

On January 14, 2011 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 Schaefer/Legner to approve the minutes of the 1/4/11 regular and 12/16/10 special Town Board meetings. Questioned and carried 4:0.

Revision to Resolution 10-11: Fire Department Officer Pay – The Finance & Personnel Committee approved a change in Fire Department Officer structure at its meeting on 11/1/10. Chief Wirth explained that the Fire Department proposal for officer reorganization included Officers and Motor Pump Operators. Last fall he calculated the average hours of current officers and then projected hours for the MPOs to determine an hourly salary. A Captain will be paid \$1.60 per hour, Lieutenant \$1.05 per hour and Motor Pump Operators (MPOs) \$.35 per hour. **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve the revision to Resolution 10-11: 2011 Wages & Salaries to change the annual stipend of \$1,400 per annum to the above hourly rates. These hourly rates will apply to Captain, Lieutenant and Motor Pump Operators effective 1/1/11. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

New Hires: Crossing Guard – Administrator Rhoden reported the Town needs to fill an AM shift and provide coverage during absences of regular Crossing Guards. Interviews, reference and background checks were conducted on applicants. In addition, she noted that regular Crossing Guard Cathy Laska resigned and current employee Tom Bedora asked that he be considered as a Crossing Guard substitute. **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve the hiring of Kathy Bloczynski as a regular Crossing Guard at the intersection of Robin Lane and Rib Mountain Drive and inquire if she is interested in more than the AM shift; hire Bruce Slaminski as a substitute; and reclassify Tom Bedora as a substitute Crossing Guard, all at the rate of \$10.57 per hour. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

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Operator License Applications - Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve operator licenses for Mary E. Felzkowski, Fredrick B. Juan, Annabelle Juan-Daos, Dylan J. Lemmer, Michael F. Lochridge and Sandra M. Sann. Questioned and carried 4:0.

Town Board Comments - Supervisor Schaefer reporting the road crew is doing a good job handling all the snow this year.

Staff Reports - Administrator Gaylene Rhoden reviewed her written report. She plans to attend the 2011 International Counsel of Shopping Centers (ICSC) Illinois Alliance Program and Midwest Idea Exchange in Chicago in February. She has been filling in as a Crossing Guard substitute. Board members were asked to submit their ideas for the February strategic planning meeting.

Attorney Toner reported the Town may not be able to move forward with a public hearing on the bridle path abandonment in February. He is working through some third party property ownership issues with Dan and Scott. He will keep the Board advised as he moves forward.

Fire Chief Paul Wirth submitted a written report. He noted ski hill runs are down, although some are more serious than last season.

Building Inspector Dan Dziadosz reported McGraw Hill Construction indicated that permit activity is looking more positive. He will be attending recertification classes in late January. He received an invitation from local lumber yards to attend the Wisconsin Builders conference. Dollar Mountain will replace the hardware store tenant on the corner of Robin Lane and Rib Mountain Drive.

Streets/Parks Superintendent Scott Schatschneider apprised the Board of crew activities and public works projects. Wisconsin Public Service should provide an estimate of its Rib Mountain Drive utility burial costs by the second meeting in February. Chairman Opall reported he has not received any calls regarding snowplowing this winter.

Clerk-Treasurer Patricia Jahns submitted a written report along with November and December bank balances and long term debt status. The first set of data resulting from the 2010 Census has been released. The US population has grown 9.7% which represents the slowest growth rate since the great depression. The Chicago Region led the nation in mail back participation rates with 76%. **Motion by Kachel/Schaefer to approve payment of General Checks #37407-37688. Questioned and carried 4:0.** The Board directed her to maintain a bank balance

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of no more than \$250,000 at the Bank of Wausau in light of its a recent consent order.

Committee / Commission Reports

The Walkable Community Committee will meet Thursday at 8 a.m.

The Park Commission's newest member is Liesle Markevitch.

Public Comment Period – Marilyn Mohr asked if Veolia now took all plastic numbered recyclables. Chairman Opall responded that Veolia would recycle everything there was a market for.

Adjourn - **Motion by Kachel/Legner to adjourn at 7:51 p.m. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

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