

TOWN OF RIB MOUNTAIN
Regular Town Board Meeting
September 18, 2012

Chairman Al Opall called the meeting of the Rib Mountain Town Board to order at 6:40 p.m. at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center, 3700 North Mountain Road. Present were Supervisors Jim Legner, Pete Kachel, Fred Schaefer and John Sybeldon, a quorum.

Also present were Town Attorney Kevin Terry, Town Administrator Gaylene Rhoden, Streets/Parks Superintendent Scott Turner, Fire Chief Paul Wirth, Building/Zoning Inspector Daniel Dziadosz and Clerk-Treasurer Patricia Jahns.

On September 14, 2012 copies of the meeting notice were made available to the media, Town Board, Town Attorney and posted at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center.

Supervisor Pete Kachel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve the minutes of the 9/4/12 regular Town Board meeting. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Job Description: Assistant Building Inspector – **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve the job description for the Assistant Building Inspector with a change to not require a psychological exam. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Public Safety Committee Recommendations – As the Public Safety Committee did not receive a petition by residents for a stop sign at the intersection of East Lakeshore Drive and Starlight Avenue it could not support a stop sign at that location at this time. Avenue.

The Public Safety Committee recommended approval of a no parking sign at the intersection of CTH NN and Redwing Road as the Marathon County Sheriff Department has made a request. **Motion by Kachel/Sybeldon to approve no parking on Redwing Road for 30' north and south of CTN NN. Questioned and carried 5:0**

Finance & Personnel Committee Recommendation Regarding Delinquent Room Taxes and Payment Plan. The Finance Committee recommended that the Rib Mountain Inn (RMI Management) room tax delinquency be turned over to the Town Attorney for collection. Direction to the Town Attorney includes a payment plan to come current and forfeiture of rights for failure to pay. There will be a deduction of collection fees from payments made to the Convention Visitors Bureau. **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve the Finance & Personnel Committee recommendation. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

License Applications – Attorney Kevin Terry commented on the background checks of the applicants. **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve operator licenses for Jennifer L. Mueller and Katrina M. Seidler. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Payment of Bills and Approval of Journal Entries – **Motion by Legner/Sybeldon to approve payment of General Checks #40283-40431 and Journal Entries 12-85 through 12-107. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

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Resolution 12-06: Recycling Grant Authorizing Resolution – Motion by Schaefer/Kachel authorizing Streets/Parks Superintendent Scott Turner to act on behalf of the Town of Rib Mountain to submit an application to the DNR for financial assistance, sign necessary documents and submit a final report. Questioned and carried 5:0.

Reports

Chairman Opall reported he attended the appeal of the Board of Review determination and plaintiff John Jurkovich was well prepared. He read the response from retired Pastor John Roseth thanking the Board for the proclamation.

County Board Representative Bill Miller reported on work being accomplished at the County level. He gave updates on dog licensing, court house remodeling with security being the number one issue, the digital radio program, the soccer complex, approval of the reduction of speed on CTH N, the approval of the sale of the remnant property for the Fire Department's splash tower, the plan to hold the County tax rate at \$5.17 despite loss of state aid and reduced equalized values. Supervisor Schaefer inquired what departments were likely to receive budget cuts. Bill responded law enforcement and park and recreation, however, the County could apply surplus in the amount lost in federal and state aid revenues. There was a brief discussion about the \$16 million surplus of ATC money. The Board complained the 50:50 match in funds is not in the best interest of the Town or any entity.

Chairman Opall inquired if there was anything new at the Rib Mountain Sanitary District. Bill Miller reported Town Staff met with Utility Director Darin Westover regarding potential development sites. Administrator Rhoden noted she put a Sanitary District link on the Town's web site.

Town Attorney Kevin Terry gave an update on the bridle path issue, the Circuit Court decision regarding Act 10 and the claim against Veolia. The Town Board and Staff are invited to attend upcoming Ruder Ware seminars about current issues.

Administrator Gaylene Rhoden provided a written report. The first budget meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 9, at 5:30 p.m. Scott Turner will provide an update on the 51/29 trail after he meets with Engineer Bruce Gerland. Gaylene may be recommending use of fund balance for 2013 projects. She asked to be excused from the October 2 meeting as she will be in Chicago at an ICSC event.

Fire Chief Paul Wirth provided a written report. As part of the discount package, Marion Body will be showing the new Rescue 2 at an event in Iowa next weekend. The Fire Department is about 30 interfacility runs ahead of last year.

Building Inspector Daniel Dziadosz provided a written report on monthly permit activity, the status of the Town's property purchase and concerns about Governor Walker's proposal to remove "safety" from the National Electrical Code. Supervisor Schaefer

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inquired if the Town could adopt the NEC. Dan responded the Town's code currently defers to the NEC.

Streets/Parks Superintendent Scott Turner reported on town roads and crew activities. He noted the Magnolia project has been bid with completion anticipated by the end of October. It was noted there are no private donations for the Magnolia project. Scott attended the Local Officials Meeting presented by WisDOT and their design consultant for the Sunrise Drive overpass widening project. The project does not include a "sound wall" but decibel readings were taken in spring and are being reviewed as part of the environmental document. Improvement estimates for Rib Mountain Drive are \$6,300 for striping and \$12,000 for crack filling. Proposals are being accepted for a new one-ton pickup with a dump box.

Clerk -Treasurer Patricia Jahns provided a written report and noted the Local Government Property Insurance Fund estimates a 15% increase in the Town's property insurance premium. However, the rate will still be below the private market.

Committee / Commission Reports

Scott Turner reported the Park Commission received Becky Paul's report on the summer program; the play structure has been installed at Liberty Park and the Commission plans to update park brochures.

The Finance & Personnel Committee's recommendations were acted on by the Town Board.

The Public Safety Committee recommendations were acted on by the Town Board.

The Walkable Community Committee will meet on September 20.

Public Comment Period – Scout Jimmy Dickas of Troop 453 was in attendance for his Citizen and Community Badge.

Adjourn – Motion by Kachel/Sybeldon to adjourn at 7:24 p.m. Questioned and carried 5:0.

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