

TOWN OF RIB MOUNTAIN  
***Regular Town Board Meeting***  
***December 16, 2014***

Vice Chairman Fred Schaefer called the December 16, 2014 regular meeting of the Rib Mountain Town Board to order at 6:35 p.m. at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center, 3700 North Mountain Road, Wausau, WI. Supervisors present were Jim Legner, Peter Kachel and Gerry Klein. Chairman Opall was excused.

Also present were Administrator Gaylene Rhoden, Attorney Kevin Terry, Building Inspector/Zoning Administrator Dan Dziadosz, Streets/Parks Superintendent Scott Turner, SAFER District Fire Chief Steve Mehilan, Deputy Fire Chief Matt Savage and Deputy Clerk Michelle Peter.

On December 12, 2014 copies of the revised meeting notice were made available to the media, Town Board, Town Attorney and posted at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center.

Public Comment on Town Board Agenda Items – There was no public comment.

Approve Minutes of 12/2/14 Regular Town Board Meeting & 12/2/14 Special Town Board Meeting and 12/8/2014 Special Town Board Meeting with Closed Session – **Motion by Kachel/Legner to approve the minutes of the 12/2/14 Regular Town Board meeting, 12/2/14 Special Town Board Meeting and the 12/8/2014 Special Town Board Meeting with Closed Session. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Plan Commission Daft Minutes 12-10-2014 -

Plan Commission Report & Recommendations – *Town of Rib Mountain requesting Zoning Text Amendments of Rib Mountain Municipal Code (RMMC) Sections 17.024 – Definitions, 17.056(3)(a)-Passive Outdoor Public Recreational and 17.056(3)(b)- Active Outdoor Public Recreational; and create the new RMMC Sections 17.0563(3)(b-1)- Active Outdoor Public Recreational, Low Intensity and 17.056(3)(b-2)-Active Outdoor Public Recreational High Intensity; to update the Municipal Code regarding outdoor public recreational land uses; PC Dkt 2014-04* – Zoning Administrator Dziadosz stated the zoning text amendments were brought back to the Plan Commission with wording requests. Many members were disappointed and felt there was not enough protection for a single adjacent owner. **Motion by Klein/Kachel approve the new language for the zoning text amendments as presented with the addition of 3 E and 3 F. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Approval of of Annual Contract for Animal Control Services Contract - Behrendt – Administrator Rhoden informed the board that Jim Behrendt would like at some time be replaced. He indicated that he would remain until another individual is hired. **Motion by Legner/Klein to approve the Annual Contract for Animal Control Services - Behrendt Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Approval of Resolution 14-11: Salaries and Wages for 2015 with Pay Grade Scale – Gaylene Rhoden noted the salaries and wage schedule does reflect the pay grade scale. **Motion by Kachel/Legner to approve Resolution 14-11; Salaries and Wages for 2015. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

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Approval of Resolution 14-12: 2015 Fee Schedule - Administrator Rhoden stated very few changes were made this year. The only noted changes were to the residential and commercial fees, which also included additional language for commercial inspections. **Motion by Kachel /Legner to approve Resolution 14-12: 2015 Fee Schedule. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Approval of Resolution 14-13: Outdoor Recreation Plan 2015–2019 – **Motion by Klein/ Legner to approve Resolution 14-13: Outdoor Recreation Plan 2015-2019. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Approval of Resolution 14-14: Request to Marathon County to Withdrawal from CWED – Jim Warsaw from McDEVCO provided the board background history on the CWED organization and what it's original intention was established for. Seven counties currently participate and provide money to new development/businesses.

Mr. Warsaw noted there are factions within the organization and some members strongly feel it's being managed inappropriately. The group has lost about \$935,000 due to the lack of proper investments.

The County Administrator is seeking a letter of support from the Town to withdraw Marathon County's money portions. **Motion by Kachel/ Legner to approve Resolution 14-14; to Withdraw from CWED. Motion by Legner/Kachel to amend the motion to include the word “recommends” in Resolution 14-14. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Approval of New Hire: Call-In Seasonal Plow Driver and Seasonal Trail Maintenance Laborer – Street Superintendent Turner is requesting the hiring of a second and third seasonal snow-plow operators as fill ins for vacations and illnesses.

The call-in sidewalk and trail maintenance labor was budgeted for 2015. This person would remove snow from the safe route to school sidewalk, 51/29 and CTH R trail and sidewalks at the municipal center. **Motion by Kachel /Klein to approve the hiring of Mike Besaw and Rod Nowak for call-in seasonal equipment operators at \$16.35 per hour subject to a background check and Dennis Budleski for call-in sidewalk and trail maintenance labor at \$11.23 subject to background check. Questioned carried 4:0.**

Approval of Operator License – Attorney Kevin Terry stated that there was one applicant and the applicant had no criminal activity that would prohibit approval. The Board questioned and commented. **Motion by Legner/Klein to approve the Operator License for Mitchell Pope. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Reports

Town Board –None.

Other Agencies –

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SAFER District –Chief Steve Meilahn provided a brief written report. The department serviced a large structure fire this past weekend and extended a

gratitude to the staff for an outstanding job. Home owner was very grateful. Fire put out at TJMaxx today, only smoke in the building. Continuing to work on contract with other municipalities.

Sanitary District – Mike Heyroth informed the board that well number 1 is in significant need of repair maintenance. The district hired a consultant to provide a report on the municipality's quality of water.

Town Attorney – None

Code Enforcement Officer – None

Building Inspector –He noted Panda Express would like to open within the week.

Town Administrator – Gaylene Rhoden provided a report and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Street-Parks Superintendent – Scott Turner submitted a written report. The was awarded \$2000 grant from American Transmission Company. The money will be used to purchase trees.

Deputy Clerk– None

Park Commission – Completed the Recreation Plan and working on a master plan.

Finance Personnel – None

Public Safety Committee – None

Public Works Committee – Met tonight and devised a means to special assess property owners along Rib Mountain Drive.

Walkable Community Committee – None

General Comments – Marilyn Mohr wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Adjourn – **Motion by Kachel/Legner to adjourn at 7:33 p.m. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Michelle Peter  
Deputy Clerk

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