

TOWN OF RIB MOUNTAIN
Regular Town Board Meeting
October 4, 2016

Chairman Allen Opall called the October 4, 2016 regular meeting of the Rib Mountain Town Board to order at 6:33 p.m. at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center, 3700 North Mountain Road, Wausau, WI. Supervisors present included Pete Kachel, Fred Schaefer, Gerry Klein, and Jim Legner.

Also present were Administrator Gaylene Rhoden, Community Development Director Steve Kunst, Finance Director/Clerk Jessica Trautman, and Street/Park Superintendent Scott Turner.

On September 30, 2016 copies of the meeting notice were made available to the media, Town Board, Town Attorney and posted at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center and Town website.

Comments from the Public Related to Town Board Agenda Items – None

Approve Minutes of the 9/20/16 regular Town Board Meeting and 9/27/16 Special Town Board Meeting – **Motion by Kachel/Schaefer to approve the minutes of the 9/20/16 Regular Town Board Meeting and 9/27/16 Special Town Board meeting. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Plan Commission

Plan Commission Minutes from the 9/28/16 Meetings for Review – None

Town of Rib Mountain, requests amendments to RMMC Section 17.056(8)(x) – Detached Energy Systems related to solar panels and permanently placed generators. Docket #2016-25. Ordinance #16-09 – Community Development Director Kunst review the proposed changes to the ordinance on solar panels and generators. The intent behind these amendments is to make it easier for unobtrusive solar panel and generator applications to receive approval. Currently, all applications are handled through the conditional use process, which requires a public hearing. Kunst noted the Plan Commission did recommend the proposed changes. Supervisor Schaefer suggested staff review the fees for the permits to verify the fees cover the time spent to issue the permit. **Motion by Schaefer / Legner to approve the proposed amendments to RMMC Section 17.056(8)(x) – Detached Energy Systems as presented. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Approval of Contract Culvert Replacement on Rib Mountain Drive - Street/Park Superintendent Turner discussed the results of the Request for Proposals for the culvert replacement. The Town received 11 proposals. The Town Board received a letter of recommendation from AECOM, recommending the low bidder, PTS Contractors, Inc., of Green Bay, Wisconsin. **Motion by Klein / Legner to approve the contract for the culvert replacement on Rib Mountain Drive to PTS Contractors for \$206,271.75. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Approval of ICSC Sponsorship for Central Wisconsin Conference – Administrator Rhoden reviewed the request with the Town Board. **Motion by Schaefer / Kachel to approve the sponsorship in the amount of \$250.00 for the ICSC Conference that is going to be held in Wausau on November 17, 2016, money is to come from the marketing budget. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

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Appoint Chand Grundemann to Park Commission– **Motion by Legner / Schaefer to approve the appointment of Chad Grundemann to Park Commission for another 7-year term, ending July 1, 2023. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Amend Resolution 16-01: 2016 Salaries and Wages – **Motion by Kachel / Legner to approve the amended resolution 16-01: 2016 Salaries and Wages as presented. Questioned and carried 5:0**

Approval of Operator License – The Town Board reviewed the background check reports and saw no reason to deny the applicants. **Motion by Schaefer / Klein to approve the operator license for Amy Alvis, Brandon Debroux, Emily Meyer, Paula Netzel, and Stina Vogt. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Approve application for Temporary Class “B” Picnic Retailers License – Big Brother Big Sisters
Motion by Kachel / Legner to approve the Temporary Class “B” Picnic Retailers License for Big Brother/Big Sisters of Northcentral Wisconsin for their Big Taste event being held on October 27, 2016. Questioned and carried 5:0.

Reports/Minutes

Town Board

Board Members – Supervisor Klein said he, Administrator Rhoden and Community Development Director Kunst met with Senator Petrowski regarding a company that is trying to put up alternative telecommunication utility poles in municipal right-of-way’s. They also discussed Transportation aid and the future of Personal Property Tax. Chairman Opall asked if Town Board members had a problem moving up the October 18th meeting to 5:00, to which no Supervisor objected.

Other Agencies – None

Town Attorney – None.

Town Administrator – Administrator Rhoden provided a written report. She reminded the Town Board the Tourism Commission needs to meet and discuss the contract with the Visitor’s Bureau.

Community Development Director – A written report was included in the packet.

Street-Parks Superintendent – Turner provided a written report in the packet. Turner also mentioned there was a serious accident in the 51 Tunnel, he is currently in communications with both Marathon County and the State.

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Finance Director/Clerk – A written report was provided. Updated the Town Board that roughly 400 people have already voted.

Code Enforcement Officer – A written report was provided in the packet.

Park Commission – There is a meeting next week

Finance Personnel – None

Public Safety Committee – None

Public Works Committee – None

Bicycle/Ped Committee – None

General Comments – None

Adjourn – **Motion by Kachel/Schaefer to adjourn at 7:13 p.m. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Submitted by
Jessica Trautman
Finance Director/Clerk

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