

TOWN OF RIB MOUNTAIN

Town Board Meeting

January 03, 2017

Chairman Allen Opall called the January 03, 2017 regular meeting of the Rib Mountain Town Board to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center, 3700 North Mountain Road, Wausau, WI. Supervisors present included Pete Kachel, Fred Schaefer, and Jim Legner. Supervisor Gerry Klein was excused.

Also present were Administrator, Gaylene Rhoden, Community Development Director, Steve Kunst, Finance Director/Clerk, Jessica Trautman, Street/Park Superintendent, Scott Turner, Town Attorney, Dean Dietrich, and SAFER representative, John Lauer.

On December 29, 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 12/20/16 Regular Town – **Motion by Kachel/Schaefer to approve the minutes of the 12/20/16 Regular Town Board Meeting. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Plan Commission - None

Approval of Resolution 17-01, Salary and Wages Fiscal year 2017 – Administrator Rhoden introduced the resolution. She reminded the Board the updated pay plan Springstead completed for the Town is now implemented. Currently, no employee is at the max for their pay grade. Part-time, seasonal employees received a 1% increase, all other employees received pay increases based on performance. **Motion by Schaefer / Legner to approve Resolution 17-01, 2017 Salaries & Wages. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Approval of Park Commission Appointment – Street/Park Superintendent Scott Turner said two residents expressed interest in the vacant position on Park Commission. The Park Commission recommended appointment of Dana Laher. **Schaefer / Legner to approve the appointment of Dana Laher to the Park Commission. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Approval of Operator License – The Town Attorney saw no reason to deny. **Motion by Schaefer / Legner to approve the operator license for Molly Shope. Questioned and carried 4:0.**

Reports/Minutes

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Board Members – Supervisor Schaefer noted a few issues with cleanup from the ice storm on Christmas, he did recognize the crew did a good job with clean up after the New Year's snow storm. Chairman Opall said he has a conflict with the meeting dates of the County Board and Town Board meetings the next couple months.

Other Agencies – SAFER representative, John Lauer, said Wipfli and ADP are working together to get payroll up and running. On January 17th, the Village of Weston Board

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will discuss the CIP budget for SAFER and hopefully recommend approving the original CIP budget without any cuts. Lauer mentioned Deputy Chief Finke will start regular reporting to the Town. Supervisor Schaefer requested a detailed breakdown of revenues for 2016 when they are ready.

Town Attorney – Attorney Dietrich noted he had nothing formal to discuss.

Town Administrator – Administrator Rhoden provided a written report.

Community Development Director – A written report was included in the packet. Kunst updated the Town Board on the Hull Far rezoning and platting recently discussed at a County Committee meeting.

Street-Parks Superintendent – A written report was provided. Turner noted the snowplow crews have been out for the last five (5) weekends with snow events.

Finance Director/Clerk – A written report was provided.

Code Enforcement Officer – None

Park Commission – None

Finance Personnel – None

Public Safety Committee – Hope to have a meeting before the end of the month.

Public Works Committee – Meeting January 17 to discuss a stormwater utility.

Bicycle/Ped Committee – None

General Comments – Bob Sipple, 3606 Sandpiper Ave, questioned the increase in taxes if the ski hill is supposed to bring in so much revenue. The Town Board noted the Town does not receive tax revenue from the ski hill. The revenue that is referred to when promoters of the ski hill talk about the benefit to the community is related to sales tax, which the County receives, rather than the Town.

Adjourn - Motion by Kachel / Legner to adjourn at 6:53 p.m. Questioned and carried 4:0.

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.