

TOWN OF RIB MOUNTAIN
Town Board Meeting
May 21, 2019

Chairman Allen Opall called the May 21, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Rib Mountain Town Board to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center, 3700 North Mountain Road, Wausau WI. Supervisors present included Brad Conklin, Jim Legner, Gerry Klein and Fred Schaefer.

Also present were Administrator Gaylene Rhoden, Street/Park Superintendent Scott Turner, Clerk Joanne Ruechel, Building Inspector Paul Kufahl, SAFER Deputy Fire Chief Josh Finke, Attorney Dean Dietrich and Attorney Alyson Dieckman.

On May 17, 2019, 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 May 7, 2019 Regular Town Board Meeting – **Motion by Legner/Conklin to approve the May 7, 2019 Regular Town Board meeting minutes. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Plan Commission

- a. Plan Commission Minutes from the 05/8/2019 Meeting for Review- No additional comments.

- b. Stratford Sign Company LLC, agent, requests conditional use approval for a pylon sign exceeding 10 feet in height at the property addressed 2107 Robin Lane. Parcel #34.102807.005.029.00.00. Docket #20119-14. Building Inspector Kufahl stated that this request is to remove the current existing sign and install an 18-foot pylon sign in a different location. The Plan Commission recommended approval for the conditional use. **Motion by Schaefer/Conklin to approve the conditional use request for a freestanding sign greater than 10 feet in height at the property addressed 2107 Robin Lane and have the existing sign removed prior to installation of the new sign. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

- c. Joe Schira, owner, requests conditional use approval for a low-density husbandry use at the property addressed 7509 Red Bud Road. Parcel #34.202807.011.003.00.00. Docket #2019-12- Building Inspector Kufahl explained that Mr. Schira wants a hobby farm on his 93 acres of land. After a public hearing, the Plan Commission recommended approval of the conditional use request with the following conditions:
 - Adequate fencing to be installed and maintained to contain all non-poultry animals prior to acquisition of those animals.
 - Horses and Cattle shall not exceed 15 total animals.
 - Poultry shall not exceed 500 total animals and be cooped, with the exception of a few geese.
 - Sheep and Goats shall not exceed 20 total animals.
 - The applicant understands the Plan Commission does not wish to see any type of commercial processing of the animals on site.
 - The use is to remain a hobby farm and not for commercial purposes.
 - The applicant is aware of the neighbors' concerns as it relates to potential disturbances.

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Mr. Schira was in the audience and stated that he would only use 3 acres of his land for the hobby farm. **Motion by Legner/Conklin to approve the conditional use request for a low-density husbandry use at the property addressed 7509 Red Bud Road to include the following conditions:**

- Adequate fencing to be installed and maintained to contain all non-poultry animals prior to acquisition of those animals.
 - Horses and Cattle shall not exceed 15 total animals.
 - Poultry shall not exceed 500 total animals and be cooped, with the exception of a few geese.
 - Sheep and Goats shall not exceed 20 total animals.
 - The applicant understands the Plan Commission does not wish to see any type of commercial processing of the animals on site.
 - The use is to remain a hobby farm and not for commercial purposes.
 - The applicant is aware of the neighbors' concerns as it relates to potential disturbances.
- Motion questioned and carried 5:0.**

Approval of Plan Commission Appointments- Tonia Speener and Steve Plunkett names were submitted - **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve the appointment of Tonia Speener and Steve Plunkett to the Rib Mountain Plan Commission for terms running until 2022 and 2021 respectively. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Approval of Contract for Wetland Delineation on Town Property South of Sandy's Bark Park- Superintendent Turner stated that the wetland delineation study must be done so that we can move forward. He received two bids and recommends the agreement with Star Environmental. **Motion by Schaefer/Klein to approve the contract with Star Environmental in the amount of \$3,500 utilizing the Parkland Fund. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Approval of Contract for Salt Shed Wall Repairs- Supervisor Schaefer stated that this item was discussed at the Public Works Committee meeting earlier this evening. The concrete walls in the salt shed are in need of repairs due to the exposure of the salt. The cost would be \$25,204 which is \$5,204 over budget. The remaining \$5,204 will be coming from the overall Public Works operating budget. The Public Works Committee recommends approval of a contract for salt shed wall repairs. **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve the contract with Fiberglass Solutions in the amount of \$25,204.00. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Approval of Draft Request for Proposal for Refuse/Recycling Services 2020- Administrator Rhoden stated that the draft request for proposal is in the packet. There are several items that are addressed in the request for proposal. The vendor would be responsible to update the records annually and be required to remove the totes at the end of the contract. We would have 2 different sizes of containers that the resident can choose from for the garbage. There would also be no charge for garbage and recycling pickup at the Town owned facilities. This contract would be a five-year contract and would begin on January 1, 2020.

Supervisor Schaefer asked staff to look into having the vendor do a single stream recycling bin as an alternative to a non-single stream recycling bin. **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve attached**

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Request for Proposals for Refuse and Recycling contract 2020 subject to changes. Questioned and carried 5:0.

Approval of Pavement Maintenance Contracts

a) Pavement Marking Epoxy Re-bid- Supervisor Schaefer stated that this item was bid out earlier but the Town only received one bid and it was over budget. This contract is a re-bid and again the Town only received one bid and it was the same amount as the first bid. **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve the pavement marking epoxy re-bid and award the contract to Century Fence in the amount of \$29,812.50. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

b) Asphalt Overlay-Supervisor Schaefer explained that this item was discussed at the Public Works meeting held earlier today. The Public Works Committee recommends putting an asphalt overlay on Thornapple Road, W Whippoorwill Road, Laurel Road and sections of Blackberry Drive. The contract will be with American Asphalt. **Motion by Klein/Schaefer to approve a contract with American Asphalt for asphalt overlay on the following roads: Thornapple Road, W Whippoorwill Road, Laurel Road and sections of Blackberry Drive in the amount of \$328,264.00. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Approval of New Hires- Seasonal Public Works- Superintendent Turner stated that he needs one more individual for mowing and general maintenance for the summer months. **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve the hire of Aaron Mueller for Seasonal Public Works Maintenance at the wage rate of \$11.49 per hour subject to background checks. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Change of Agent R-Store Amber Zubricky- Clerk Ruechel explained that this is a change of agent for the liquor license. Attorney Dietrich stated that he recommends approval for the change of agent for the R-Store. **Motion by Schaefer/Legner to approve the change of agent to Amber Zubricky at R-Store. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Approval of Operators Licenses- Attorney Dieckman stated that she reviewed the operator's licenses that were submitted and she recommends approve all of the operator's licenses. **Motion by Legner/Klein to approve the operator's licenses for John Doepke, Tia Engebrecht, Logan Euclide, Melissa Gilbertson, Jill Graveen, Sarah Graveen, Nicole Guite, Erin Harris, Brett Jahnke, Bria Jahnke, Devin Kell, Rosina Krueger, Jane Lang, Kayce Miller, Katie Oliva, Lucas Oliva, Michael Oliva, Peggy Oliva, Thomas Oliva, Angela Pepowski, Alyson Peterson, Mickala Peterson, Rachel Rowell, Kimberly Stevens, Jennifer Tekler, Kimberly Walker and Charles Wandall. Motion carried 4:1 with Schaefer dissenting.**

Reports/Minutes-

Town Board – Supervisor Klein stated that he heard from a resident about broken glass on Teal Avenue. He asked Superintendent Turner to have the street sweeper sweep the area. Superintendent Turner also mentioned that they will be installing a culvert on the Bittersweet Trail to help with the flooding in that area. He stated that we will also be putting fencing around the stormwater management pond that is adjacent to the trail.

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Chairman Opall was contacted about a hanging branch on Jonquil Lane. Superintendent Turner will send the Public Works crew out to take a look at it.

SAFER –Deputy Fire Chief Josh Finke stated that they received a grant to purchase a new UTV trailer. There was a grass fire recently near Brookfield Lane. Five firefighters from SAFER attended the funeral of the firefighter who was killed in Appleton Wisconsin. The audit draft is now completed.

Attorney Dietrich addressed the Town Board regarding the draft of an Ordinance amending the fire code. This Ordinance will come back before the Town Board at the next meeting. This Ordinance addresses the fire code relating to fire safety and Federal regulations. This code needs to be updated because of the creation of SAFER. SAFER is now under the jurisdiction of the SAFER Board. Deputy Fire Chief asked that this not be approved until the Town and Village of Weston can agree on the fire code. He also asked that something be put into the code that gives SAFER permission to bill residence for a fire response. The SAFER Board already agreed to bill the Town residence for a fire response, but the Town of Rib Mountain did not. Attorney Dietrich is going to address the ability of the SAFER Board to charge our residence and will bring the report back to the Board.

Other Agencies – No report

Town Attorney – Attorney Dietrich stated that the ruling has come back on the State Supreme Court case regarding re-addressing in the Town. This topic will be discussed tonight at the closed session meeting. Attorney Dietrich will be filing 3-4 lawsuits this week in regards to nuisance properties. He is also looking at some real estate issues that will be resolved in the next two weeks.

Town Administrator – A written report was provided.

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

Street-Parks Superintendent – A detailed report was provided. Superintendent Turner reported that the Public Works Department has been working on spring projects.

Finance Director – A written report was included in the packet.

Town Clerk – A written report was included in the packet.

Code Enforcement Officer – None

Park Commission – Superintendent Turner stated that they had a meeting last week. They are working on a location for the disc golf course at Liberty Park and also looking for a way to reduce loitering at Chellis Park parking.

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Finance & Personnel –Administrator Rhoden said that there is a meeting scheduled for June 4, 2019.

Public Works Committee –Supervisor Schaefer stated that there was a meeting held earlier tonight.

Public Safety Committee –Supervisor Conklin said that there was a meeting held earlier tonight as well. The offender ordinance is being revisited and will be brought to the next Town Board meeting.

Bicycle/Ped Committee –None.

General Comments – None

Adjourn - **Motion by Legner/Conklin to adjourn at 6:39 p.m. Questioned and carried 5:0.**

Submitted by
Joanne Ruechel, Clerk

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