

**TOWN OF OSCEOLA
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
Monday September 13, 2010**

MINUTES

The Board of Supervisors of the Town of Osceola met for a regular monthly meeting Monday September 13, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the Osceola Town Hall, Dresser, Wisconsin.

CHAIRMAN STROSHANE CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M.

Chairman Stroshane verified that the meeting notice and agenda had been posted Friday September 3, 2010, at the Town Hall, the Dresser Post Office, Rural American Bank and the Town of Osceola Website.

Chairman Stroshane led the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Steve Stroshane, Gene Lindholm & Bob Wright

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT: Lorraine Rugroden - Clerk/Treasurer, Daniel & Susan Burch, Jim Lessard, David Mooney, Ron Strom and John Adam.

PRESENTATION OF BILLS: The Board audited the bills and approved for payment check numbers 12455 through 12494 with total disbursements of \$29,431.53.

AGENDA:

MOVED, SECONDED BY LINDHOLM/WRIGHT TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER 13, 2010 MEETING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

MOVED, SECONDED BY LINDHOLM/WRIGHT TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 9, 2010 REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES AS PRESENTED BY THE CLERK/TREASURER. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

BUSINESS:

Dwight Court Road Cost Reimbursement

Jim Lessard, Dwight Court is requesting reimbursement for road work that he authorized J & S General Contracting to complete. J & S spread and compacted trap rock between the road surface and Mr. Lessard's mailbox and removed broken chunks of asphalt. Mr. Lessard intends to finish the work by applying driveway sealer to the trap rock. The Board and Jon Adam, Public Works Superintendent, discussed whether the improvements would hold up over time and if the Town should pay for the trap rock that was installed.

MOVED, SECONDED BY LINDHOLM/STROSHANE TO DENY THE REQUEST FOR PAYMENT OF ROADWORK AUTHORIZED BY JAMES LESSARD AT DWIGHT COURT. MOTION FAILED 1 - 2. STROSHANE AND WRIGHT VOTED NAYE.

MOVED, SECONDED BY STROSHANE/WRIGHT TO PAY J & S GENERAL CONTRACTING FOR TRAP ROCK INSTALLED AT DWIGHT COURT NOT TO EXCEED \$150 AND ASSUME NO FUTURE MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITIES OUTSIDE OF UP TO 11 FEET FROM THE CENTER LINE. MOTION PASSED 2 - 1. LINDHOLM VOTED NAYE.

Osceola Duathlon Route on Town Roads

David Mooney, Events Planner of the Osceola Duathlon was on hand to address any questions or concerns that the Board had with the 15 mile bicycle event on town roads. Information was reviewed and it was noted that a section of 200th Street may be coated with gravel due to seal coating that is expected to be completed this week. It was recommended that the intersection of 90th Avenue and 200th Street be swept before the race in order to eliminate loose gravel. The duathlon will be held in Osceola on Saturday, September 25, 2010.

MOVED, SECONDED BY STROSHANE/WRIGHT TO ALLOW THE OSCEOLA DUATHLON TO USE TOWN OF OSCEOLA ROADWAYS WITH TRAFFIC PLAN AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED 2 - 1. LINDHOLM VOTED NAYE.

Strom Lot Division

On July 26, 2010 the Plan Commission recommended to The Board to approve the Strom lot division after a survey is completed. Strom is creating three lots from the current 21.61 acre lot in the NW-SW and SW-SW section 24, T33N, R19W in the Town of Osceola. The Board discussed changing the town's future Land use map from residential to public/institutional to accommodate a future church on one of the lots. The clerk will forward to the Board the process required to change the future land use map. A survey has been completed and the Board signed the Polk County Checklist.

MOVED, SECONDED BY WRIGHT/STROSHANE TO APPROVE THE STROM LOT DIVISION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOVED, SECONDED BY STROSHANE/WRIGHT TO AMMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP IF PROCEDURES ALLOW THE MAP TO BE AMMENDED WITHOUT A HEAR-

ING TO REFLECT LOT 1 AND LOT 2 OF THE STROM LOT DIVISION AS PUBLIC/INSTITUTIONAL. MOTION PASSED 2 - 1. LINDHOLM VOTED NAYE.

240th Street TRIP-D Engineering

The Town has been awarded a TRIP-D grant to rebuild 240th Street. The Board discussed hiring an engineer to create construction plans for the project. Northstar Consulting had originally created design plans using different specifications and the Board would like to change those plans to accommodate the new specifications. The Board will better know what is left in the budget and if there is money to hire an engineer after 2010 highway construction costs have been paid. The Board will review the regulations for TRIP-D funding to find out if the engineering part of the project needs to be bid out and if the Town can get started on the work this fall.

2010 – 2011 Election Workers

Nancy Knutsen and Carl Anderson have taken the Baseline Chief Inspector Training Session for Chief Election Inspectors and will be trained in the duties of Chief Election Inspector for the years 2010 and 2011.

MOVED, SECONDED BY WRIGHT/STROSHANE TO APPROVE THE NANCY KNUTSEN AND CARL ANDERSON AS CHIEF ELECTION INSPECTORS FOR THE 2010 - 2011 CALENDAR YEARS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Joint Municipal Court

Chairman Stroshane stated that Neil Soltis, Village of Osceola Administrator said they are waiting for their administrative committee to be formed before acting on the town's request to join the joint municipal court.

PLAN COMMISSION REPORT:

1. A presentation on Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) was given from the Town of Troy.

PATROLMAN'S REPORT:

Public Works was kept busy reopening roadways and cleaning up downed trees after rains and heavy winds blew through the Town between August 10th and 14th.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

1. Contracted Police Report
 - a. Tickets Issued: 0
 - b. Warnings Issued 0
 - c. Hours Patrolled: 0
2. Widening of the shoulders of 248th Street on re-paving with the first layer of blacktop is complete.
3. The traffic counters were installed on 200th Street with average speed between 40 mph - 50 mph.

4. A draft agreement for re-establishing the Town of Osceola as a member of the joint court with the Villages of Dresser and Osceola is being created. The Village is reviewing the proposed agreement. No update.
5. Polk County Zoning Department has been asked to proceed on the public nuisance complaint since the Town of Osceola is no longer a member of a joint court. A clean-up date of September 10, 2010 was given.
6. The Osceola Area Ambulance is experiencing a significant increase in write-offs and Medicare/Medicaid reductions. The rate billed to ambulance users is proposed to significantly increase. No per capita change is presently expected.
7. The School District of Osceola will be asking for a transfer of ownership of Education Drive at the Town of Osceola October board meeting.
8. The Citizens Advisory Committee is still debating a separate zoning category for quarrying/non metallic mining.
9. Notice of new assessments were mailed with open book scheduled for September 15, 2010, 1.p.m – 5 p.m. and Board of Appeals scheduled for October 6, 2010 at 9 a.m.
10. A tour of the Polk County dispatch center provided an overview of what the dispatchers deal with on a daily basis. The dispatch center is unwilling to customize the response for the Town of Osceola with regard to animal control or fire bans/permits issues. The primary reason is the software cannot accommodate it and they do not have time for any unique processes.
11. Public nuisance complaints have been received from properties and a follow-up letter sent:
 - a. 2361 75th Avenue/County M (debris and unmowed yard)
12. The Town applied for disaster assistance along with other municipalities in Polk County but it was later determined that the State would not be requesting Federal Disaster assistance for damages occurring from storms August 10th through August 14th.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

Supervisor Wright

Supervisor Wright is looking into the best way to back-up the Town's data. Other projects include reposting Kraemer information on the website and working on the Paccor program that deals with the Town's road information.

Supervisor Eugene Lindholm reported

None

CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT:

Clerk/Treasurer Lorraine Rugroden reported that as of August 31, 2010 bank account balances were \$5,806.36 in the Town's checking account and \$692,930.36 in the Regular Money Market Account and C/D's and \$5,894.99 in the tax deposit account, amounting to combined total Cash-on-hand of \$704,631.71.

The Republican Party of Wisconsin has requested the names of each voter who has requested an absentee ballot for the November 2, 2010 election or belongs to a permanent absentee list and are asking for weekly updates.

Supervisor Wright and the Clerk/Treasurer will be attending the WTA Convention in La Crosse October 3rd – 5th.

SUBSEQUENT MONTH'S AGENDA DISCUSSION:

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING;
Monday, October 11, 2010 7:00 p.m.

Agenda:

- 240th Street TRIP-D Engineering
- Education Drive

ADJOURNMENT:

MOVED, SECONDED BY WRIGHT/LINDHOLM TO ADJOURN THE SEPTEMBER 13, 2010 TOWN BOARD MEETING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Being no further business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

APPROVED: 10/11/2010

Lorraine Rugroden, Clerk/Treasurer