

TOWN OF BLACK BROOK  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
SEPTEMBER 15, 2011  
MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by at 8:00 p.m., by Chairman Charlie Barney, Supervisor I George Fowler, Treasurer Cindy Nelson and Clerk Sally Pickard were present. Supervisor II Dave Paulson was absent.

The reading of the meeting notice pursuant to Wisconsin Stats §§19.83 was made.

**Agenda: A motion by Supervisor Fowler, seconded by Chairman Barney to approve the agenda as printed. Motion passed unanimously - 2 yes.**

**Minutes: A motion by, Supervisor Fowler, seconded by Chairman Barney to approve August, 2011 minutes. Motion passed unanimously - 2 yes.**

**Vouchers: . A motion by Supervisor Fowler, seconded by Supervisor Paulson, to approve the vouchers and pay the bills. Motion passed unanimously - 3 yes**

#### **CLERK'S REPORT**

Filed an appeal with regard to census count as the final numbers are 1327 and last year were reported as 1441. Only show 100 new homes and I had reported 135. So asking for permission to investigate more.

Received an award for Alliance for Regulatory Coordination by the Wisconsin Safety Building network.

Did get a letter from the Government Accountability Board indicating they had been at the last election and that a final report is yet to come.

Got a letter from Habitat reminding us about the restore and if we have some time to help with the build in Amery. And also looking for people who are in need of a home

Need to get some recertification credits in for Janet and Cindy to re-certify for Chief Inspectors.

Also, got a bill with regard to election expenses. Never billed for programing and they have now started this - cost is \$150 for 1<sup>st</sup> machine \$75 for the second machine. So bill was over \$1000 - next year it will be \$500 to cover all programing but want to verify this with Carole.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT -**

Beginning bank balance was \$120,096.57 with deposits of \$126,416.72 which includes \$11.91 interest, Cks written were \$18,964.87 and \$1,791.49 was electronically transferred for State and Federal Withholding leaving a balance as of August 31, 2011 of \$225,756.94. Money Market earned interest of \$103.02 leaving a balance of \$151,723.61 and Savings is \$6.17. Golden Egg CD balance of \$31,211.47. Savings Acct at RCU is \$5.00. Total of all accounts as of 8-31-11 is \$408,703.19.

No outstanding checks

## **SUPERVISOR REPORT**

Dave -  
George . Nothing

## **PLANNING COMMISSION - no report**

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT** - Took Kent up today to Balsam Lake to get the truck as the alternator had gone out on the truck so once the computer got low on voltage, nothing would work. Just confirms it was time to get a new truck - nickle and dimeing us to death. Should have done a year sooner.

Talked to Jay Luke regarding zoning. He is interested in getting together with us and maybe others and hire our own zoning administrator and get out of county zoning. Also talked with the Town of Clear Lake and he will be talking to Jay and Charlie is going to talk to the Town of Clayton. Have about a year and a half to get this done. If we have 4 towns working together could get a decent administrator otherwise, won't do us any good.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS -**

Dennis Carson asked some questions about what was used on the road. Liked it. Helped reduce salt use

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS -**

Review and approval of 3 yr contract for Assessor Galen Seipel. Leaving the cost for next 3 yrs the same \$7,000 to maintain assessment roll which is a little over \$530/month. Will probably need a re-evaluation at the end of this 3 yr contract. **A motion by Chairman Barney to renew the contract with Assessor Galen Seipel for 3 yrs. Motion approved unanimous. 2 yes.**

Resolution opposing an unfunded mandate requiring us to convert our property assessment data to electronic format by 2014. This was a follow-up from last month when Galen asked us to discuss this mandatory unfunded mandate from the State. We got a letter this month regarding this. Galen is asking that we send a letter to the State opposing this mandate in **that it is something that should come from the legislature not the Department of Revenue. A motion by Chairman Barney seconded by Supervisor Fowler to send Resolution #9-11 to Governor Scott Walker, Senator Sheila Harsforf and Representative Eric Severson opposing the unfunded mandate regarding converting property assessment data to electronic format by 2014. Motion passed 2 yes.**

Discussion regarding conceal and carry law - comment made from town member in favor of conceal and carry to protect ourselves from people who might come rather than be unarmed. No sign or law will stop a person from shooting if they are inclined to do so and posting a sign would put people at a disadvantage if someone would come.

Discussion regarding employee grievance policy Attorney Tim Scott drafted grievance policy so we will need a grievance officer. Talked to Dennis Carson about his willingness to serve in this capacity. He was given a copy of the policy. We can adopt it and add his name next month. **A motion by Chairman Barney, seconded by Supervisor Fowler to adopt Ordinance #9-15-11, an Ordinance Establishing a Grievance Procedure for Town Employees. Passed unanimously. 2yes.**

Review and approve LP Contract - got a contract from Ferrellgas for 2500 gallons. 189.9/gallon. Country Comfort was 2.01 Contract indicates will call - Chairman Barney will

get this changed to keep fill. **A motion by Chairman Barney, seconded by Supervisor Fowler to accept the LP contract from Ferrellgas for 2500 gallons \$1.89.9. Motion passed unanimously. 2 yes.**

Discussion and approval of Animal Control Officer. Dan Hooverman contacted the clerk about serving as our animal control officer and sent a copy of his contract. This was sent to Attorney Tim Scott to review and there are a few changes to the proposed agreement so suggest that we hold off until Dan can review these changes. Clerk will let him know we are interested, but want a few changes in the contract. Table to next month.

Supervisor Fowler got a message from someone about transmission line work - he will contact them and see what this involves.

Board will meet at 7:00 to work on budget for next year.

**Motion by Supervisor Fowler seconded by Chairman Barney to adjourn to Thursday, October 20, 2011 meeting at 8:00 p.m.**

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Pickard, Clerk