

**Town of Grant  
9011 County Road WW  
Monthly Board Meeting  
March 11, 2015**

Present: Schwab, Winkler, Yetter, Luecht and Zimmerman.

Chairperson Schwab called meeting to order at 6:30pm.

**Announcements/Correspondence:**

- Portage County Weight Limits signs up and effective 3/13/2015.
- Capital Day is scheduled for March 24, 2015 in Madison, WTA accepting registration until March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015.
- Wis. Towns Assoc. sent information regarding State Budget Proposal to Eliminate Local Assessment, asking municipalities to adopt resolution opposing the implementation of county assessment in Wisconsin.
- Struck & Irwin information on slag sealing.
- WTA-Portage County Unit meeting March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm North New Hope Lutheran Church, Amherst Junction.
- Portage County Executive, Patty Dreier has posted Summary of Groundwater Listening Session Series on Portage County website.

**Minutes:**

- **(Schwab, Yetter) Move to accept Town Board Meeting minutes from March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015 as corrected. Carried. Unanimous Ayes.**

**Committee/Commission Minutes or Reports:**

- **Ambulance:** Portage County has re-engaged a company to do study on EMS response times, included in study is Higgins Ambulance/UEMR.
- **Fire:** No report, just comment that we are coming into Dry Season-Don't Burn.
- **First Responders:** 5 calls, 3 for impaired drivers
- **Green, Clean Action:** Recommend Tire Day on May 16<sup>th</sup> with Choose to ReUse held on same day.
- **Greater Kellner Area Business Group:** Kellner Corn Fest August 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 to include: Craft Vendors, Farmers Market-possibly weekly, Kellner Knights – Bingo, Sunday parade.
- **Groundwater Citizens Advisory Committee:** Portage County website packet on Groundwater Listening Sessions.
- **Historical Committee:** No report
- **Plan Commission:** Next meeting March 18<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm with one hour discussion on Juniper Lane, need to look at Comprehensive Plan.
- **Zoning:** One permit for month of February for \$50.00. Deer Farm on 130<sup>th</sup> St. requires address number – no buildings on property.

**Financial Report & Updates:**

- Treasurer Luecht presented Financial Report for month of February 2015 with total receipts at \$782,733.64, which included transfer from MM Account for \$775,000.00, so Feb. Tax Settlement checks could be sent out.

- **Motion: (Schwab, Yetter) Move to accept Treasurer's Report for review or audit. Carried. Unanimous Ayes.**
- Clerk Zimmerman presented Board Members with Draft Copies of 2014 Annual Financial Statements, along with Form C draft and management letter to be signed and returned to Schenck & Associates.
- Insurance claim was filed for invoice from Prairie Star Ranch/Nathan Wolosek for damage to irrigation electrical box damaged by road crew, when working on Grant St.

#### **County Assessment Resolution:**

- **Motion: (Schwab, Yetter) Move to adopt the Resolution in opposition of implementation of county assessment in Wisconsin and ask for the proposal to be removed from the State Budget. Carried. Unanimous Ayes.**

#### **Public Participation:**

- Charles Rickman would like Town to have a Warning Siren installed for bad weather notification. Schwab will look in to this.

#### **Roads/Equipment/Garage:**

- Monthly Report: Winkler reported that road crew has been doing more sanding than snow plowing, picking up garbage along roads, pushed up brush pile, work on boom mower and tiller, placed items on Wisconsin Surplus.com
- 2015 Road Plan copies distributed with suggestions for 2015 Construction
- **Motion: (Winkler, Yetter) Move to cut trees on 110<sup>th</sup> St (CTH W- 1/2mile beyond Quarry Rd). Carried. Ayes –Winkler, Yetter; NAY-Schwab**
- **Motion: (Yetter, Schwab) Move to accept bid from Badgerland Surveying to locate centerline for no more than \$800.00 on 110<sup>th</sup> St. (CTH W-Quarry Rd). Carried. Unanimous Ayes.**
- **Motion: (Schwab, Yetter) Move to permit Badgerland Surveying to locate centerline on 87<sup>th</sup> St. (Evergreen-Tower Rd) for no more than \$800.00. Carried. Unanimous Ayes.**
- Week of April 6<sup>th</sup> Road Inspections, do Bid Documents for chip seal & slag seal
- Tower Road crossing: received 3 proposals for engineering cost and construction costs: **CWE \$62,300.00-Engineering, \$275,000.00-Construction; Earth, Inc. /Quest Engineering - \$238,660.00 Engineering and Construction; Jewel Engineering/Larson Construction Co. - \$21,950.00-Engineering, \$185,200.00-Construction.** Prices will vary by which structure is decided on.
- All 3 copies of proposals will be given to Nathan Check-Portage County to review. Board Members are to look over materials also.
- Evergreen Culvert project-Winkler-hasn't heard from Portage County Drainage District; Schwab-can turn project over to Portage County.
- **Motion: (Schwab, Yetter) Move to put items listed on Wisconsin Surplus Auction. Carried. Unanimous Ayes.**
- **Motion: (Schwab, Yetter) Move to sell computer monitor for \$10.00. Carried. Unanimous Ayes.**
- Juniper Lane/84<sup>th</sup> St.: Letter was sent to Juniper Lane Residents that Town Board has not made a decision on this issue, but Plan Commission will allow one hour discussion at March 18<sup>th</sup> meeting for input from residents and explain one of the options, then the

Town Board will hold a meeting on March 25<sup>th</sup> to discuss outcome of Plan Commission discussion.

- Sale of town r/w at end of 86<sup>th</sup> St. – Outlot will be created for property and will be presented at Annual Meeting April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015 @ 7:00pm.
- **Motion: (Schwab, Yetter) Consider moving forward with 10T vs Class B postings after conferring with Wis. Towns Association. (Withdraw motion until more information is obtained)**
- Implements of Husbandry- Letters sent to Ag producers along with IOH Ordinance, map and list of recommended roads. Permits received from Frontier requested all roads, was emailed IOH Ordinance, map and list of recommended roads.
- **Motion: (Schwab, Yetter) Move to use All American Disk this spring up to \$1,000.00 with road maintenance signs up at intersections and to contact home owners on roads. Carried. Ayes-Schwab, Yetter; Recused-Winkler.**

**Town Hall:**

- Email addresses-Chairperson-yes; Town Treasurer-yes; PC Chairperson-no; Zoning Administrator-yes

**Transfer Station:**

- **Motion: (Winkler, ) Move to revoke condition on CUP's for allowing certain businesses to bring solid waste to Transfer Station. (Motion fails for lack of a second)**
- **Motion: (Schwab, Yetter) Move to accept quote from BDT, Inc. for 2 grip strut steps, not to exceed \$260.00. Carried. Unanimous Ayes.**

**Spring Newsletter:** Schwab presented a draft list of suggested articles for newsletter

**Board/Employee training dates:**

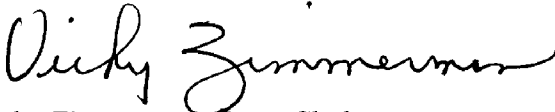
- March 25<sup>th</sup>, @ 8:30am ConTech Technical Seminar

**Upcoming meeting dates/topics:**

- March 17<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00pm County Board Meeting (Ambulance/EMS)
- March 18<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm T. Grant Plan Commission (including Juniper Lane)
- March 25<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm T. Grant Special Board Meeting (Juniper Lane)

**Motion: (Winkler, Yetter) Move to adjourn @ 8:55pm. Carried. Unanimous Ayes.**

Respectfully submitted by,



Vicky Zimmerman, Town Clerk