

**TOWN OF MAPLE CREEK**  
**February 12th, 2018**  
**Town Board Meeting Minutes**

**Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance**

Chairman Gitter called the February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Maple Creek Town Board meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Verify open meeting notices, roll call, approval of agenda order (stands as is unless motion for change)** The agenda for these minutes was posted at the three Town posting boards on Friday, February 9, 2018. *Elected Officers present:* Paul Gitter, Mike Bruette, Dalton Korth, Larry Katerzynske, Tory Much. *Others present:* Glen Janke, Dennis Handschke, Chris Thompson, Sergeant Jim Wall, Jim Young, and building inspector Mike Miller.

**Approval of January 8th, 2018 Town Board meeting minutes** *Korth made a motion, seconded by Bruette, to approve the January 8th, 2018 Town Board minutes. MOTION CARRIED.*

**Approval of January 26th, 2018 Special Town Board meeting minutes** *Gitter made a motion, seconded by Korth, to approve the January 26th, 2018 Town Board minutes. MOTION CARRIED.*

**Treasurer's Monthly Report**

The balances for all accounts as of January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018, (reported on February 12, 2018) are as follows: Checking - \$3,409.29; Investment Savings - \$359,011.33; and Town CD's - \$125,000.00. Total town funds now are \$487,420.62. February tax settlement will be paid, so large outflow again.

**Outagamie County Sheriff's officer report (if in attendance)** Sergeant Wall had nothing to report.

**Public Input: Pursuant to WI Statutes 19.83(2) and 19.84(2), the public may present matters for Town Board consideration, however, they cannot be discussed or acted upon until the subject matter, of the proposed action, has been noticed.** None

**Specific matters for discussion and possible action:**

**A. Consideration of UDC Inspector candidate- Mike Miller-** Mr. Miller introduced himself. He is the building inspector for Deer Creek and several other towns in the county. He operates as a contractor instead of a town employee. Miller presented the Town with his rate sheet and agreed they wouldn't rise for 2018 and 2019. Dennis Handschke will remain as raft inspector as well as driveway and culvert inspector. Raft inspection has been done without compensation by Handschke, will be discussed at the Annual Meeting in April. *Gitter made a motion, seconded by Korth, to contract with Mike Miller to perform Maple Creek's UDC and non-UDC building inspector duties commencing April 1st 2018. MOTION CARRIED.*

**B. Amend Chapter 8.10 of Town Ordinances- Refuse pickup: pro-rate new construction, update Schedules-** Board discussed amending Chapter 8.10 to handle pro-ration of refuse charges on new residential construction. Board also updated Addendums to Ordinances Chapter 8.10, deleting some properties and adding another. Changes will be posted on posting boards. *Korth made a motion, seconded by Gitter, to amend Town Ordinances Chapter 8.10, adding section F handling pro-ration of refuse charges on new construction, and updating Addendums as published. MOTION CARRIED.*

**C. Set dates for Open Book and Board of Review- Refuse pickup for houses built during year-Drephal- pro-rate?** *Gitter made a motion, seconded by Korth, to set Open Book date as Tuesday, April 10 from 4-6 PM, and Board of Review for Tuesday, May 8 from 3:30 – 5:30 PM. MOTION CARRIED.*

**D. Zoning changes- Sugar Bush-** County Zoning board meets on Tuesday, February 13 to finalize zoning changes. Our Board recommended making the changes at its January 2018 meeting, but since then new information has arisen. Chairman is getting phone calls from residents who don't want the change, feeling their property is worth more as commercial rather than ag or residential. Furthermore, a lien holder on one property contests changing it to 2-family residential instead of commercial, since if he must act on the lien he would prefer it to be commercial for a potential future sale. The Board agreed with this assessment. Chairman and several residents will attend the zoning meeting at the county. In light of the new information board voted to rescind its recommendation made at last month's meeting. Gitter made a motion, seconded by Bruette, to rescind the Board's approval of the County's proposed re-zoning of several properties in Sugar Bush in light of new information received since last month's meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

**E. Zoning violation notice- Lorge-** Clerk advised the Board that a certified letter was sent to this property owner by county zoning advising him that he is in violation of county ordinances on number of inoperable vehicles on his property.

**F. Building permit notices- Heideman and Krueger-** Clerk advised the Board that certified letters were sent to these property owners by county zoning advising them that they are in violation of county ordinances by not having applicable building permits for recent work done on their properties.

**G. Security walls around New London substations-** Town was made aware by the City of New London that American Transmission Company will be building cement security walls around their two electrical substations abutting the Town of Maple Creek. It doesn't appear that they are building a wall around the connected substation that actually lies in our town.

**H. Snapping Turtle Lane- new fire signs needed- Dennis H-** County zoning corrected an address on Snapping Turtle lane from N4984 to N4983. Town must purchase a new fire sign for this address. Clerk inquired if County knew this was not a "real" road, rather a driveway. They stated that their focus was to make sure emergency vehicles could find a residence, and that such a 'named driveway' would not be allowed to happen with current policies.

**I. Agricultural Enterprise Area- resolution to have town participate in program-** Town of Maple Creek will allow an Agricultural Enterprise Area to be created within it. This is a voluntary program that landowners can enter into- limiting their land use to agriculture for the next 15 years in return for tax credits. Clerk informed the Board that this resolution is necessary, but an application and petition must also be filled out. Gitter made a motion, seconded by Bruette, to approve Resolution 2018-01, A Resolution Supporting the Creation of an Agricultural Enterprise Area within the Town of Maple Creek. MOTION CARRIED.

**J. Revisit town burial policy- sample amendment to cemetery ordinance-** Board discussed this in October 2017 and tabled it. Clerk presented some sample wording on regulating private burials and will investigate it for further action in March 2018 meeting. Cemetery Commission will also look at it.

**Report of officers:** Clerk: Election next week; asphalt class coming in March; state is doing an audit of property values in the town. Cemetery: none. Constable: absent. Building Inspectors: None. Raft: none. Planning Commission: none.

**Public Input:** Pursuant to WI Statutes 19.83(2) and 19.84(2), the public may present matters for Town Board consideration, however, they cannot be discussed or acted upon until the subject matter, of the proposed action, has been noticed- None.

**Review and payment of vouchers**

Vouchers for checks numbering 10606 to 10637 were submitted for review and payment. An additional payment was made by direct debit from checking for the February 2018 IRS-941 payment.

**Adjournment/Calendar:** Next Town Board Meeting is March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 6:30 PM – Korth made a motion, seconded by Bruette, to adjourn at 7:45 PM. MOTION CARRIED.

These minutes were taken at a meeting of the Town of Maple Creek Board held on the 12th day of February 2018, and were entered in this record book by:

\_\_\_\_\_ Clerk,

and were approved this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March 2018 by:

\_\_\_\_\_, Chairman Gitter

\_\_\_\_\_, Supervisor Bruette

\_\_\_\_\_, Supervisor Korth