

Town Board Meeting Minutes
January 3, 2017, at the Rockland Town Hall
Called to order by Chairman Cashman at 7:30 p.m.
Adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

The Clerk, Treasurer, and all Board members were present. Bob Gerbers, Zoning Administrator, Tom Collins (Wrightstown Spirit) and other members of the public were present. Clerk Charette verified that the meeting was properly noticed; the agenda was presented after the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Minutes from December 5, 2016, Town Board meeting

Chairman Cashman asked that paragraph 3 under Chairman's Report on page three be amended to read "Supervisor Lasee noted that there were deer carcasses dumped in the ditch on Tower Road."

M/M by Chairman Cashman to approve the minutes from the December 5, 2016, Town Board meeting as amended; seconded by Supervisor Lasee. Motion carried.

Land Use Permit request from Brian Willems, Owner, to build an accessory building on Parcel R-109-4, 3434 CTH PP, De Pere, Wisconsin

Planning Commission reviewed this permit on December 8, 2016. A draft copy of the December 8, 2016, Planning Commission minutes were provided to the Board. Pursuant to the Planning Commission's motion, an agreement setting forth the conditions of the land use permit was drafted and signed by Mr. Willems. A copy of that signed agreement was provided to the Board. Chairman Cashman noted that on page 2, paragraph d. of the agreement should be amended to read Parcel R 109-4.

M/M by Supervisor Lasee to approve the written agreement and land use permit from Brian Willems to build an accessory building on Parcel R-109-4, 3434 CTH PP, De Pere, Wisconsin; seconded by Supervisor Van Vonderen. Motion carried.

Appointment of Justin Samuels to Rockland Planning Commission for a term commencing on January 3, 2017, and ending on April 1, 2019.

Justin Samuels appeared before the Board and stated that he was interested in serving the Town of Rockland in this way.

M/M by Supervisor Van Vonderen to appoint Justin Samuels, 811 Windchime Way, to the Rockland Planning Commission for a term commencing on January 3, 2017 and ending on April 1, 2019; seconded by Supervisor Lasee. Motion carried.

Drawing of lots for arrangement of candidate names on ballot for Town Chairperson, Town Supervisor, and Town Treasurer in Spring 2017 Election

Clerk Charette noted that Supervisor Van Vonderen is not running for a Town Board Supervisor position this term. Two candidates, Alan Lasee and Matt Meeuwsen have submitted their candidacy papers for that position. The order on the ballot needs to be determined. Clerk Charette wrote each name on a piece of paper and placed each piece of paper in a plastic cup to be drawn. Justin Samuels, 811 Windchime Way, drew the names from the cup in the order that they would be placed on the ballot as follows:

1. Matt Meeuwsen
2. Alan Lasee

Time Warner Claim for damage to Old Military Road/Hickory Ridge Drive facilities

Clerk Charette presented Claim #169030384 from Phoenix Loss Control, on behalf of Time Warner Cable, for damages in the amount of \$2,772.41, committed to its facilities located at 3419 Old Military Road/Hickory Ridge Drive on July 13, 2016. The claimant is claiming that Mader Excavation was doing work for the Town of Rockland in that area during that time period. Clerk Charette noted that the Town has no contracts with Mader Excavation and is not familiar with this company.

M/M by Supervisor Van Vonderen to deny responsibility for Claim #169030384 submitted by Phoenix Loss Control on behalf of Time Warner Cable in the amount of \$2,772.41; seconded by Chairman Cashman. Motion carried 3-0.

Building/Zoning Report

Bob Gerbers reported that there were three permits issued in December for: 1) a pool house & pergola; 2) new electric service; and 3) a WPS utility permit. Permit fees collected totaled \$ 425.00 of which Gerbers received \$ 300.00 for inspection fees.

Chairman's Report

Chairman Cashman reported that a sign for Willow Tree Lane has been ordered. All other signs have been installed.

Chairman Cashman received calls on the Monday after Christmas regarding the slippery conditions of the roads.

A resident on Old Plank Road reported a tree down in the roadway. It was pushed off the road by another resident.

Chairman Cashman attended the Brown County Board of Supervisors meeting on December 21, 2016, wherein the Board received approximately 2.5 hours of public comment regarding the Koch donation. The Brown County Board voted 19-5 to not accept the donation.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Van Dyck reported that \$ 684,987.00 has been collected thus far in property taxes. In 2016, she transferred \$1,015.51 from the special assessment monies to cover additional garbage expenses.

Supervisor Lasee asked why there was still \$10,000.00 in the building security fund. Treasurer Van Dyck explained that this amount represented building security deposits being held on the construction of new homes.

M/M by Chairman Cashman to receive the Treasurer's report; seconded by Supervisor Van Vonderen. Motion carried.

Announcements and Distribution of Correspondence-

Clerk Charette announced that: 1) Wisconsin Elections Commission will be launching online voter registration starting January 9, 2017; 2) The Town will be required to submit electronic building permits to DSPPS by January 2, 2018; 3) the January 2017 Brown County Farm Bureau bulletin has arrived; 4) Touchdown for Trees request is due January 13, 2017; 5) Curative Connections Specialized Transportation Services is being expanded to Rockland seniors.

Clerk Charette distributed: 1) a De Pere City Council agenda for the Tuesday, January 3, 2017, meeting; 2) the 2017 WTA District Meeting registration form; and 3) Local Government Center teleconference training schedules for 2017.

Chairman Cashman reported that in 2017, the Town will receive \$92,373.90 or \$2,202/mile in general transportation aids from the state.

Items for future meetings- proposal from Greenleaf Greenscapes for ditch cutting

Public comment-

Steve Gander stated that at the Brown County Planning Commission meeting, it was estimated that it will cost approximately \$120,000.00/year to employ the person overseeing the volunteers for transportation services for seniors throughout Brown County.

Voucher in Payment of Bills

Clerk Charette provided the voucher for approval. Treasurer Van Dyck explained that when she completes the January settlement, four additional checks #9789-9792 will need to be written to the school districts and Brown County. These payments are due prior to the next Town Board meeting.

M/M by Chairman Cashman to approve checks #9756-9788 for a total of \$31,816.67 with one voided # 9778 and no online payments and to approve checks #9789-9792 for January settlement payments; seconded by Supervisor Van Vonderen. Motion carried.

Closed Session

M/M by Chairman Cashman to convene into closed session at 8:17 p.m. pursuant to Sec. 19.85(1) (g), Wis. Stats., to confer with the Town's legal counsel regarding City of De Pere Ordinance #16-28 annexing Clancy/Hutjens and Kerkoff property; seconded by Supervisor Van Vonderen. Chairman Cashman-aye; Supervisor Van Vonderen-aye; Supervisor Lasee-aye. Motion carried. Clerk Charette and Bob Gerbers were present as well.

Reconvene into Open Session

M/M by Chairman Cashman to reconvene in Open Session at 9:14 p.m.; seconded by Supervisor Lasee. Chairman Cashman-aye; Supervisor Van Vonderen-aye; Supervisor Lasee-aye. Motion carried.

M/M by Chairman Cashman to approve communication between Attorney Rossmiessl and Attorney Kimp, Town of Ledgeview's Attorney, to discuss Becker/Hutjens/Clancy annexation and then report back to the Board at a future date; second by Supervisor Lasee. Motion carried.

Adjournment

M/M by Chairman Cashman to adjourn the meeting at 9:17 p.m.; seconded by Supervisor Van Vonderen. Motion carried by voice vote.

All minutes have been taken truthfully and honestly and to the best of my knowledge and ability.

Jann B. Charette, Clerk

Minutes approved as written / with corrections (**strike one**) by the Town Board on Tuesday, January 17, 2017.

Dennis J. Cashman, Chairman