

Board of Review – June 9, 2009

Posted May 13, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. at Town Garage, Buffalo Bay Store, Peterson's Foods and Red Cliff Tribal Administration Center and the Town web site. Posted on the Town Garage Meeting Room doors.

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. at the Community Center by Supervisor Leon Basina. Roll call was taken as follows: Present – Supervisors Brian Goodwin, Don Sullivan and Larry Meierotto and Clerk/Treasurer Dave Good. Chairman Paul “Rocky” Tribovich was absent.

The Clerk reported that the assessment roll was not completed. A motion was made by Sullivan and seconded by Meierotto to adjourn Board of Review to 6:55 p.m. on Tuesday, July 14, 2009 at the Community Center. The motion carried.

A motion to adjourn at 7:02 p.m. was made by Sullivan and seconded by Meierotto. The motion carried.

The minutes respectfully submitted by:

Dave Good, Clerk/Treasurer

Regular Town Board Meeting – June 9, 2009

Posted Monday, June 1, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. at the Town Garage, Buffalo Bay Store, Peterson's Foods and Red Cliff Tribal Administration Center. Revised and reposted on June 8, 2009 at 10 a.m.

A Regular Town Board meeting at the Town of Russell Community Center was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Chairman Paul “Rocky” Tribovich. Roll call was taken as follows: Present – Supervisors Leon Basina, Brian Goodwin, Larry Meierotto, and Don Sullivan and Clerk/Treasurer David L. Good.

Seven members of the public were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by everyone present.

PUBLIC INPUT – Tribovich reminded everyone of the 3 minute limit. Tessa Levens inquired about the Fumusa and Nelson request to farm F-1 Zoned land. She asked for time limits on operation of machinery and noise restrictions. She stated Nelson violated his equipment operations conditions he agreed to regarding gravel mining. She also stated the gravel crushing noise has not been as annoying as she thought it would be.

Wayne Nelson spoke that no violations occurred on the gravel site regarding noise and hours of operation. He did do work on another parcel of property adjacent to his and there are no restrictions regarding noise and hours of operation on the parcel which is the Fumusa land. He resented being accused of violating when he didn't violate.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Sullivan and seconded by Meierotto to approve the minutes of the Board of Review of May 12, 2009. The motion carried. A motion was made by Meierotto and seconded by Basina to approve the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of May 12, 2009. The motion carried. A motion was made by Sullivan and seconded by Meierotto to approve the minutes of the Special Town Board Meeting of May 20, 2009. The motion carried.

ROAD MAINTENANCE REPORT

Status of Old County K Raspberry River Culvert Replacement – The Town is still waiting to hear if the NOAA Grant will be received.

Crack Sealing Proposals - Derald Barningham reviewed a proposal from Fahrner for crack sealing. They recommended Little Sand Bay Road from Old County K to Ridge Road be chip sealed instead of crack sealed. Costs for chip sealing would be \$18,000 to \$20,000 verses crack sealing at \$8,750.00. Discussion followed about the repair of Little Sand Bay Road and the problem areas repaired 3 years ago. Tribovich suggested the Town dig out and repair the bad areas on the road and get a cost to hot mix repair those areas. West Old County K to Little Sand Bay Road is a sand based road except the area by the Halvorson Farm. It was suggested we crack seal Little Sand Bay Road from Ridge Road to Sand Bay for \$1, 251.00 and Old County K From Peterson Hill Road to Little Sand Bay Road for \$7,736.50. Barningham was instructed to get costs from Northwoods for the Little Sand Bay Road repairs and bring the data to the July Board meeting and the total costs for all work can be reviewed. A motion to table until July was made by Basina and seconded by Sullivan. The motion carried.

Gravel Mining at the Bayfield County Sand River Pit – Tribovich stated the Forestry Committee referred the matter to the Highway Committee and it will be addressed in July.

Purchase PC Laptop for Road Crew – The Clerk stated we are trying to better secure our Town records and files. The Town computer is now password protected when the Clerk is not present. The Road Crew needs access to weather information. A motion was made Sullivan and Basina to approve up to \$400.00 to purchase a laptop. The motion carried.

Comprehensive Plan Committee Update – Basina reported on the recent meetings. The existing land use map is completed and a draft is being prepared by SEH. The committee is now working on the future land use map. Goodwin inquired when the process started and the planned completion date. Basina stated it started in April and will be done by the end of 2009. Discussion followed regarding the process.

Elderly Housing Committee Update – No report.

Recreation Committee Update – Meierotto stated the new 240 volt outlets installed are the wrong ones. Meierotto Electric will deal with it. A water leak exists between campsite 4 and 5. The Road Crew will deal with it. Nic Wszalek, the Town Code Enforcement Officer, needs to become involved with the Rec Committee. Tribovich asked the Clerk to meet with Wszalek on

Monday, June 15 to get him up to speed on what he can do. Wood chips are needed for the playground equipment. Town Crew will handle. Meierotto stated we need a list of people to be contacted by the campground host if there is trouble or a problem. It was agreed that it would be Meierotto and Tribovich. We also need to provide a way for the host to get ice and/or wood on weekends if needed. Also, a telephone needs to be installed for the host and in the shower building maintenance room. This was approved when we expanded the campground but never installed. Meierotto will investigate. Discussion followed about trimming the clump birches in the ball field area. It is a problem for lawn mowing. Discussion followed about when to trim these trees. No one knew but suggested it be in early spring or late fall.

Purchase of Lawn Mower for Town Property – Various types of mowers and options were discussed. A proposal was received from Northland Lawn and Sport. Discussion followed. A motion was made by Goodwin and seconded by Basina to purchase a new JD X3224 with 42' deck and all wheel steer for \$3,595.00. The motion carried by a roll call vote as follows: Sullivan – yes, Tribovich – yes, Basina – yes, Meierotto – yes and Goodwin – yes.

Lawn Repair at Community Center – Meierotto reported there are large bare areas that need topsoil, fertilizer and seed. The need to fertilize the evergreens and give them an acid treatment was discussed. The Town Crew will make the necessary repairs.

OLD BUSINESS

Update on Town Lands Exchange with NPS – Nothing new to report. Tribovich stated Nepstad informed him that he dropped the ball on this.

Tribal Response to Road Maintenance Agreement – Discussion followed and the Town believes we need to meet with the Tribe. The Clerk was asked to get meeting dates from the Tribe. Meeting need to be in the evening no earlier than 5 p.m.

Display for Carver School Bell – Meierotto reported that the donators of the bell want it displayed or returned. Sullivan did not provide a design. Roger Halvorson was to give Sullivan a design. Discussion followed that we want four posts with the base of the bell tower at eight feet and a four sided steeple roof over the bell. Also incorporate a flag pole. Sullivan stated Bazant would build this for \$1,200 to \$1,500 based on time and materials. A motion was made by Meierotto and seconded by Basina to approve the bell tower construction at a cost of up to \$1,500 for the bell tower plus up to \$350 for the flag pole, pending approval by Board members of the design on Monday. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Town Board recommendation to Bayfield County Zoning regarding Wayne Nelson to farm 80-acres of land zoned F-1 on Peterson Hill Road – Discussion followed about the specific area involved and the issue of re-zoning verses a Special Use Permit. This permit would allow farming. Any buildings would require additional permits. A motion was made by Sullivan and seconded by Meierotto to approve. The motion carried.

Town Board recommendation to Bayfield County Zoning regarding Mark Fumusa to farm 40-acres of land zoned F-1 on Peterson Hill Road – This is the same type of request as Nelsons'. Tessa Levens requested the Board answer a question. A motion was made by Meierotto and seconded by Goodwin to suspend the rules to allow her to speak. Levens asked if there was a relationship between the Zoning Overlay District to allow cluster development and the changing of the zoning? Tribovich stated they are not related. A motion was made by Basina and seconded by Meierotto to approve. The motion carried.

Approve liquor licenses: Isle Vista Casino, Gill Net Tug, Schooner Bay Marina, Peterson Foods, Buffalo Bay Store and Town of Russell – Tribovich read the list of applicants. A motion was made by Basina and seconded Goodwin. The motion carried.

Approval of Cigarette and Tobacco Licenses – A motion was made by Sullivan and seconded by Basina to approve licenses for Buffalo Bay Store, Peterson Foods and Isle Vista Casino. The motion carried.

Approval of Operators Licenses – Good stated the following individuals have applied for Operator Licenses; Christa L. Claremboux, Deborah Gary, Anastasia Rose Gordon, Geraldine G. Gordon, Lori Haskins and Carol Isaac. A motion was made by Sullivan and seconded by Basina. The motion carried.

Lisa Bissell and Jim Ferrell request to utilize the dock & beach area at LSB for a wedding on August 15, 2009 at 4 p.m. – A motion to approve was made by Basina and seconded by Sullivan to approve. The motion carried.

Request by Ed Johnson to utilize Town pick-up for can collections for Community Skating Rink – The Board reviewed a letter from Johnson. Basina pointed out that the need would be as a back-up to his own personal vehicle. Discussion followed. A motion was made by Goodwin and seconded by Sullivan to approve the use of the Town pick-up truck and trailer as needed and as a back-up. The motion carried.

Offer to produce a sign for Shooting Range regarding “lead free ammo recommended” – A motion was made by Basina and seconded by Meierotto to approve. The motion carried.

Recommendation regarding additional help for the Town Clerk/Treasurer – Good recommended Judy Meierotto to work up to 20 hours per month as needed and to be appointed Deputy Clerk. A motion was made by Sullivan and seconded by Goodwin to approve. The motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Received

1. Thank from Youth Baseball for donation.
2. Bayfield County Zoning notice of Violation – Kim Halvorson Junk & Salvage Yard.
3. WI DOT Notice of salt storage inspection findings.
4. Letter from Miroslava Nelson regarding Town's position on Shadow Wood Landing.
5. WI DOR notice of manufacturing values in the Town of Russell.

6. Regulatory data from Red Cliff Tribe from Randy Hella, Tribal Planner.
7. Wilderness Inquiry notice of ribbon cutting event.
8. Bayfield County Court schedules for 2009.
9. Notice of well water found safe at Community Center and Community Well.
10. Bayfield County Board Meeting agenda for May 26, 2009.
11. Bayfield County Comprehensive Plan Open House Notices.
12. Social Security E-newsletter.
13. Bayfield County notice of plow trucks for sale.
14. USFWS notice of grant availability.
15. Bayfield County Law Enforcement Bulletin.
16. BCED notice of employee benefit affordable options meeting.
17. Bayfield County cutting permit Floyd Grooms.
18. WITC notice of board vacancies.
19. Notice regarding Changes in Federal Energy Codes.
20. Request for complete set of meeting minutes and notices for Elderly Housing Committee.
21. Xerox copier maintenance renewal.
22. WI DOT Notice of damage claim guard rail on Blueberry Road.
23. Heath Department licenses for Campground and Community Center.
24. Midland Services propane safety notices.
25. Experience Works notice of time reporting changes.
26. Midwest Security notice of policy revisions.
27. Bayfield REA Notice of Annual Meeting.
28. Superior Shores Farm Bureau Newsletter.
29. General Code sales solicitation.
30. WMCA Notice of Masters Academy Training.
31. Charter Communications bankruptcy filing notices.
32. Notice of Gypsy Moth Spraying.
33. National Forest Law Newsletter April 2009.
34. WI Department of Workforce Development UI Reports.
35. Various meeting notices for the School District of Bayfield.
36. Various Bayfield Chamber of Commerce mailings.
37. Various State Elections Board mailings.
38. Various National Park Service mailings.
39. Wisconsin Towns Association May 2009 Report.
40. Wisconsin Towns Association notice of District Meeting June 1, 2009.

Outgoing

1. Respond to NPS regarding free firewood offer.
2. WI DOT damage report Blueberry Road guardrail to Jeff Benton.
3. Letter of support for Red Health Center expansion.
4. Driveway permits for Harold Maki Old County K and Sand Bay Road.
5. Form C filed with WI DOR.
6. Request map of proposed gravel mining site from Land Records.
7. Request repairs to Town web site.
8. Legal Notices for Liquor Licenses.

9. Legal Notice for Isle Vista Casino liquor license.
10. Refer CenturyTel cable replacement request to Jeff Benton.
11. Renew virus protection for PC.
12. Complete Central Contractor Registration.
13. Notify Jane Edwards of lack of information to file for a housing grant.
14. Welch wedding request at Little Sand Bay.
15. WI GAB Accessibility Survey.
16. Request agenda item for Bayfield County Forestry Committee June meeting.
17. Provide extensive Town Meeting Minutes to Annalisa Cariveau.
18. Respond to Bayfield County regarding Section 154 funds available and status of NOAA grant.
19. File bridge aid petition with Bayfield County for Old County K Culvert replacement Project.
20. Various seasonal boat launch permits issued.
21. Order signs for LSB Campground.
22. Issue notices of liquor license renewals.
23. WI Title Notice of Special Assessments – Siegfried.
24. WI UI claim, Linda Brown.
25. May Federal Tax Payments.
26. May State Tax Payments.

A motion was made by Basina and seconded by Sullivan to receive and place on file the correspondence. The motion carried.

CLERK/TREASURER REPORTS

A motion was made by Sullivan and seconded by Basina to approve the bills consisting of checks 13858 to 15907 totaling \$28,814.29 and 13908 to 13917 totaling \$4,687.57. The motion carried.

CLERK/TREASURER REPORT May 8, 2009 to June 5, 2009

BANK BALANCES

		Previous	Current	Change
Bremer General Checking	5/31/09	\$7,715,36	\$4,498.82	(\$3,216.84)
Cash	5/33/09	\$-0-	\$-0-	\$-0-
Bremer Investors	5/31/09	\$229,377.90	\$204,565.04	(\$24,812.86)
	Totals	\$237,093.56	\$210,040.93	(\$27,052.63)

DISBURSEMENTS

	5/31/09
Cleared checks	\$42,110.84

BUDGETS vs. ACTUAL

	May 2009	Y-T-D	Budget	
Income	\$18,352	\$127,525	\$ 423,613	30%
Expense	\$44,746	\$208,347	\$ 423,613	49%
Balance	(\$26,394)	(\$80,822)	\$ -	
	Previous Mo.	Current		
Accts Recv	\$24,367.35	\$31,072.91		
Accts Pay	\$15,082.03	\$15529.08		

1. Tax collections settled and posted for January Settlement.
2. Budget needs adjustment for website development.
3. Budget needs adjustment for Comprehensive Plan.

A motion was made by Basina and seconded by Meierotto to approve the Clerk/Treasurer Report. The motion carried.

Chairman, Supervisor and Clerk/Treasurer Reports –None.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting – Tribovich stated the Tribal Chair Rose Soullier has sent a letter requesting to meet regarding the Fee Lands Tax Issue. The Board asked the Clerk to contact her and request possible meeting date(s) after 5 p.m.

The next meeting of the Board of Review is for 6:55 PM on July 14, 2009 at the Community Center with the Regular Town Board Meeting to start at 7:00 p.m.

A motion to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. was made by Sullivan and seconded by Meierotto. The motion carried.

The minutes respectfully submitted by:

David L. Good, Clerk/Treasurer