

TOWN OF WEST POINT

Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.84, the Town Board of the Town of West Point held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, April 14, 2016 at the West Point Town Hall. The meeting was published in the Lodi Enterprise, the Sauk Prairie Star, posted in the three designated places in the town and on the town's web site.

The Town Board meeting was called to order by Dean Schwarz, Town Chair, at 7:02 p.m. The town board members present were: Dean Schwarz-Town Chairman, John Miller-1st Supervisor, Gordon Carncross-2nd, Supervisor Ashley Nedeau-Owen -3rd Supervisor, and Matt Zeman -4th Supervisor. Also present was Taffy Buchanan-Town Clerk and Lonna Zeman-Town Treasurer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

A motion was made by Matt Zeman to approve the agenda and move items around if needed, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Input – None

Copies of the March 10, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes were emailed to each town board member prior to the meeting for their review. A motion was made by Ashley Nedeau-Owen to approve the March 10, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes with corrections, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Lonna Zeman had prepared the following report: General Fund as of March 31, 2016 - \$428,472.31; Park Fund \$1,486.57; Historical Society is \$3,991.10; Ferry Landing Pier Project - \$1000.87 and Savannah Tree is \$2,152.01 is in a 1 year CD (matures 5/24/16). The Town Treasurer and Town Clerk reconciled the bank accounts for the month of March.

Correspondence – The Town received approved minutes from the February 18, 2016 Lodi EMS meeting and the Directors Report. Laura Olah, CSWAB, sent an update on “Public Meeting on Mercury Contamination Sought.” Columbia County Emergency Management Office sent information about Tornado and Sever Weather Awareness Week which is April 11-15. Wisconsin Rural Partners are having a Rural Summit April 20-21, 2016, called Revitalization in Rural Wisconsin in Carter, Wisconsin.

The bills were reviewed by each town board member prior to the town board meeting. A copy of the bills, deposits, budget for 2016 were given to each town board member for their information. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to move \$5250.00 from 53630 Solid Waste Tip Fee and put \$4750.00 in 53631 Wages Transfer Site, \$325.00 in 53632 FICA Transfer Site, and \$75.00 in 53638 Transfer Site Medicare, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to move \$28000.00 from 53312 Snow Plowing and put it in 53316 Highway Reconstruction, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Gordon Carncross to pay the bills as presented, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen - motion carried unanimously.

Steve Flottmeyer from the WDOT attended the Town Board meeting and discussed the road condition of State Highway 188 with the people in attendance. Steve Flottmeyer stated the WDOT has a 6 year program and State Highway 188 is not on the program, but he will try to put it on the 2022 program and it could possibly be moved up. Wayne Sadek, resident, stated there has already been a death on the road and it is very dangerous. Anthony Pratt, resident, stated the shoulders are bad and thought the bridge should be redone at the same time as the road. Will Sadek, resident, said he thinks it should be widened for bicyclists and more turn lanes should be put in. Kevin Kessler, resident & Columbia County Board Supervisor, remarked he receives the most complaints about 188, it is a safety issue, and it is a bad reflection on the State of Wisconsin. Steve Flottmeyer replied to the comments he received and maybe some temporary measures could be done by tearing up the blacktop and redoing it, but they would not be able to take out hills or add turn lanes at this point.

Kurt Reinhold, Legacy Solar Co-op, and Trang Donovan, URE, gave a presentation on Solar Panels & Energy Savings. The Town Board would like Kurt Reinhold to give a proposal at the next Town Board meeting. A motion was made by Ashley Nedeau-Owen to accept the Focus of Energy proposal presented by Trang Donovan and to take the money out of 51600 Town Hall Maintenance to pay for it, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously.

The Town Clerk will request an updated contract from the Columbia County Solid Waste Department.

The Town received an offer to purchase for a spite strip on Fjord Road. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to counter the offer with “the developer is to

pay 50% of cost of their portion of the frontage length of the Fjord Road repair,” 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Dean Schwarz to have a letter to the developer drafted by the Town Attorney regarding the previous motion, 2nd by Gordon Carncross – motion carried unanimously.

Chuck Bongard, MSA, presented the bids for the Ferry Landing Pier Project to the Town Board. Contract A was for the site improvements and Contract B was for the floating fishing pier. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to award the contracts to the lowest bidders subject to the change orders, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matt Zeman to appoint Fred Madison to the Plan Commission, 2nd by John Miller- motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to appoint Ron Grasshoff to the Plan Commission, 2nd by Gordon Carncross- motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by John Miller to appoint Chris Ryan to the Historical Commission, 2nd by Gordon Carncross- motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ashley Nedeau-Owen to have the Town Chairman ask the Wisconsin Towns Association legal department look at the wording of the referendum for the November Election, 2nd by Gordon Carncross – motion carried unanimously.

The Town Engineer brought suggestions of which roads to work on this year. He recommended pulverizing the existing pavement and placing a lift of hot mix asphalt on Fjord Road, Rausch Road, Woodland Way, Valley Lane, and to sealcoat Golf Road from 188 to Ingles Drive. A motion was made by Dean Schwarz to have the Town Engineer get bids on Rausch Road, Woodland Way, Valley Lane, and sealcoating Golf Road from 188 to Ingle Drive, 2nd by Matt Zeman – motion carried unanimously.

Reports:

Town Park Committee – A motion was made by Gordon Carncross to have Buchanan’s Mowing & Maintenance mulch, spray, and apply Preen to the Ryan & Selwood Park, 2nd by Ashley-Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously.

Lodi Fire Commission – no report

Sauk Fire District – no report

Plan Commission – no report

Sauk EMS Committee – John Miller stated all the municipalities have now agreed to change the by-laws so the Sauk Prairie Ambulance could borrow money themselves one time.

Transfer Site Report – Matt Zeman said he will try to work on the roof of the Transfer Site to stop the leaks.

Lodi EMS Committee – No report

Open Space Committee – Dean Schwarz stated the Open Space Committee is meeting on the April 20, 2016 and Dierk Van Cleef is leaving the Open Space Committee.

Columbia County Report – Kevin Kessler stated there was 3 new Columbia County Board Supervisors voted on at the last Election. Columbia County is having more meetings regarding Shoreland Ordinance around the area; they held one at the Town Hall on April 12, 2016.

Fish, Crystal and Mud Lake District/Pumping – no report

Broadband Committee – Ashley Nedeau-Owen reported he and Darrell Lehman will work on a grant in May.

The next town board meeting will be on Thursday, May 12, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. on the agenda is: Transfer Site, Town roads, Spite Strip on Fjord Road, Solar Panel Contract, FCML District letter, hand out AEA signs to farmers, Crack filling, and any other business that can be legally added to the agenda.

A motion was made by John Miller to adjourn the April 14, 2016 town board meeting at 10:00 pm, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted By
Taffy Buchanan
Town Clerk