

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, November 13, 2014 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 7:00 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 October 9, 2014 minutes, October 17, 2014 minutes, and November 11, 2014 minutes were emailed to each town board member prior to the meeting for their review. A motion was made by John Miller to approve the October 9, 2014 minutes, 2nd by Matt Zeman – motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Gordon Carncross to approve the October 17, 2014 minutes, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to approve the November 11, 2014, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Lonna Zeman had prepared the following report: General Fund as of October 31, 2014 - \$289,674.34; Park Fund \$1,785.16; Historical Society is \$2,901.35 and Savannah Tree is \$2,143.44 is in a 1 year CD (matures 5/24/15). The Town Treasurer and Town Clerk reconciled the bank accounts for the month of October.

Correspondence – The West Point AEA will be having a meeting on November 18th at 1:00 pm at the Town Hall. We received a report from the Humane Society about how many animals were picked up in West Point. CSWAB sent out an article with the results of the trail survey they put out. We received an article about

wind turbines in Brown County. Matt Zeman received a call concerning the Wisconsin Boat Club digging out by the water's edge. Alliant Energy will trim trees around power lines in the area. UW sent out information about upcoming Highway Safety classes. We received a newsletter from the Ruth Culver Library, the Columbia County Ag Reporter, and the Wisconsin Town Association November Report.

The bills were reviewed by each town board member prior to the town board meeting. A copy of the bills, deposits, budget for 2014 were given to each town board member for their information. A motion was made by Dean Schwarz to take \$786.72 out of 51440 Election Salary and move \$35.47 to 56907 Var./Rezon. Public Hearing, \$39.00 to 51300 Legal, and \$712.25 to 51533 Assessor Expense, 2nd by Matt Zeman – motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Ashley Nedeau-Owen to take \$286.20 out of 51404 Computer / Copier Equipment and move it to 51405 Web Page, 2nd by Matt Zeman – motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Ashley Nedeau-Owen to pay the bills as presented, 2nd by John Miller - motion carried unanimously.

The West Point Area Historical Society Annual Report was given to all board members; Kris Lehman was unable to attend. The report is attached to the minutes.

A motion was made by Matt Zeman to choose option E for Act 377 – Items of Husbandry, 2nd by Gordon Carncross – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matt Zeman to have the Town Chairman issue the permits for Act 377, 2nd by Gordon Carncross – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by John Miller to have Columbia County do the brushing for one year, 2nd by Gordon Carncross – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by John Miller to postpone until December meeting and have Gardiner Appraisal modify the contract by putting all of the amounts the Town would pay together, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made Ashley Nedeau-Owen to accept the refinishing proposal of the existing Town Hall sign by Bernie's Signs and to pay the half down of \$1500.00, 2nd by Matt Zeman – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ashley Nedeau –Owen to have the Emergency Response Number signs include the name of the road on the sign at no extra charge, 2nd by Matt Zeman – motion carried unanimously.

Reports:

Town Park Committee –no report

Lodi Fire Commission – no report

Sauk Fire District – no report

Plan Commission – Gordon Carncross reported the Plan Commission had a meeting on October 16th and had a public hearing for Ed & Ann Hastreiter for a 3-lot Land Division and the Plan Commission made a motion to recommend to the Town Board to approve the rezoning and land division. They also made suggestions for revisions to the Driveway Ordinance.

Sauk EMS Committee – John Miller reported the Sauk Prairie Ambulance is closing on the purchase of the former Home Health United building on November 21, 2014.

Transfer Site Report – Matt Zeman reported it seems more people are using the transfer site. Also there are piles of used pea gravel at the transfer site. The pea gravel can be given away.

Lodi EMS Committee – no report

Open Space Committee – Dean Schwarz reported that the Open Space Committee thanks the Town Board for accepting the grant. Also West Point and the WDOT have to have an acceptable lease agreement signed by November 24, 2014 in order to receive the grant.

Columbia County Report – no report

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

Broadband Committee – no report

The next town board meeting will be on Thursday, December 11, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. on the agenda is: Items of Husbandry ordinance, , set caucus date, mowing contract, appraisal contract, care of "soccer field", and any other business that can be legally added to the agenda.

A motion was made by John Miller to adjourn the November 13, 2014 town board meeting at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted By
Taffy Buchanan
Town Clerk