

TOWN OF BRULE

BRULE, WISCONSIN

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

October 14, 2009

Chairman Dennis Smet opened the meeting at 5:45 p.m. Also present were Kevin Mackie & Myron Olson, Supervisors, Doug Copp and Joe Slaby. The agenda was approved with a change noted that the date should have been the 14th, not the 13th. Myron moved to go into closed session as permitted by the state statutes to review wages and contracts. After discussion and a review of a letter from Rick Larsen, the closed session was adjourned to go into the regular meeting at 6:28 p.m.

The minutes of the previous meeting and the special board meeting were approved as submitted. The Treasurer's report was submitted: \$1,485.03 in checking, \$119,825.73 in money market, \$41,465.03 in equipment fund, \$1,017.34 in real estate tax account, and \$76.31 in personal property tax account. Roger noted transportation aids and 36 snowplowing checks have been received. He will check with the county to see if the tax account can be changed to Security State Bank to make it easier for him. He also noted his tax bond has been received. The Board requested he transfer \$20,000 into the equipment fund as budgeted for this year. Bills were presented and paid.

Keith Kesler reported on emergency calls they have responded to since the last meeting. A service man will come to repair or replace a generator on Engine One that is still under warranty. The first responders are taking refresher courses.

Doug reported on maintenance work. They are trying to get final blading done and hauling gravel to roads that need it. Gravel is being stockpiled, the new steamer has arrived, and the truck needs snow tires. One culvert on Clevedon Road needs to be replaced. The tractor/boom mower will be delivered as determined by the Board; either in January or in the spring.

Dennis reported the Town Hall Remodel/Addition Committee has not met. He spoke with the county surveyor who will come to determine the property line behind the hall.

He also noted all petitions have been forwarded to the Postal District Manager and Operations Manager with copies to senators and congressmen. He thanked all who phoned or wrote a letter protesting the post office closing.

A resolution recommending the town board adopt the Comprehensive Plan was signed at their last meeting. This was published in the Superior Telegram. The Town Board discussed and set the date for a public hearing to discuss the proposed plan and adopt an ordinance to adopt the plan. This hearing will be on Monday, November 23, 2009 at the Town Hall at 7 p.m. A notice will be published twice in the Superior Telegram and Northwoods Shopper.

Dennis will attend the TRIP fund meeting. A discussion was held on roads that need gravel in the next two years. A decision was made to gravel Leppanen Road next year and Clevedon Road from CCC Square south in 2011.

No one attended the meeting to further discuss ball field issues, so this was tabled until next spring.

Dennis spoke with Jim Ross of the DNR who is in charge of solid waste to ask about Hayward Scrap Metal and Continental Computer Recycling. After research because of concerns of how the companies are doing their recycling and how they take care of hazardous material, he told Dennis these companies are reputable. Dennis also spoke with the Town of Maple who has contracts with them and was given a good report. Continental will help with a clean up day. Scrap metal and appliances can be done year round. Dennis moved to sign a contract with each company, seconded by Kevin, motion carried unanimously.

Myron moved to sign the Town of Hughes Fire Service Agreement, seconded by Kevin, motion carried.

Work was done on the 2010 budget. No information has been received from the state about a levy limit amount, but the board stayed within the limit as in prior years. The budget hearing and special town meeting to adopt the tax levy will be held on Tuesday, November 10th.

Correspondence included: final estimate of town's population at 661, WI Towns Assoc. newsletter, County Zoning permits for a seasonal home by Ryan & Lisa Bench and a year-round dwelling by Robert, Joyce or Randel Hoffman, copy of a letter from the assessor to Paul Berner regarding his parcel and the assessed value, Inspector Rob Agency August building inspection report, copy of County Access Management Plan for motorized vehicle use in the County Forest, tax collections estimate of cost for 2010, estimate of state shared revenue payment in November, estimate of state shared revenue for 2010, municipal flood control grant program information, list of delinquent property that will be taken for nonpayment of 2005 taxes, State Trust Fund loan amount due in 2010, information about reasonable suspicion training from Bellin Health, request for recertification training compliance report from Dept. of Justice, information regarding County Comprehensive Plan draft and open house, County Forest Law land enrollment list, copy of permit from DNR for Afterhours Road project, information about a webcast available on the internet about the TRIP program, and a draft copy of Village of Lake Nebagamon Comprehensive Plan.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:58 p.m. The next Town Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 10th beginning with a public hearing and special town meeting at 6:30 p.m. to review the 2010 budget and adopt the tax levy.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Caven, Clerk