

## Minutes of the Town of Newbold Town Board Finance and Regular Town Board Meeting Held on Thursday, February 11, 2016

The Town of Newbold Town Board met on Thursday, February 11, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in open session for the Town Board Finance meeting and at 6:30 p.m., in open session for the Town Board Regular Monthly Meeting, at the Town of Newbold Town Hall, 4608 Apperson Drive and Highway 47, Rhinelander, Wisconsin, 54501, Oneida County, Wisconsin. The following was discussed:

- Chairman Kroll called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following were in attendance: Dave Kroll, Chairman; Bob Metropulos, Jim Staskiewicz, Ed Hammer, Mike Oestreich, Supervisors; Kim Gauthier, Clerk and Jodie Hess, Treasurer.
- Approval and payment of bills, receipt of financial reports and approval of fund adjustments. *A motion was made by Mr. Staskiewicz and seconded by Mr. Metropulos to approve the transfer of funds from the general fund to unemployment insurance budget and designated capital equipment and designated first responder and designated fire department equipment funds, as presented. That motion carried on a vote of five ayes and zero nays. A motion was made by Mr. Oestreich and seconded by Mr. Hammer to approve the bills and disbursements as presented. That vote carried on five ayes and zero nays.* The Town Board received the financial reports which will be filed with the Clerk.
- *A motion was made by Mr. Staskiewicz and seconded by Mr. Metropulos to adjourn the Finance meeting at 6:15 p.m. That vote carried with five ayes and zero nays.*
- 6:30 p.m. The Regular Town Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Kroll who also led the audience in the pledge of allegiance. Mrs. Gauthier verified that the agenda was properly posted in all three locations in the town and an affidavit is on file.
- Approval of the January 28, 2016 regular town board meeting minutes. *A motion was made by Mr. Metropulos and seconded by Mr. Staskiewicz to approve the January 28, 2016 meeting minutes, as presented. That motion carried on a vote of five ayes and zero nays.*
- Regular monthly report by Rhinelander District Library Representative. Lloyd Gauthier and Jane Roe were both present. Mr. Gauthier reported on the Newbold library usage and upcoming programs for adults and children.
- Discussion and action on a proposed amendment to the Agreement for Joint Support and Operation of the Rhinelander District Library. Mr. Gauthier indicated the library board discussed Mr. Kroll's levy limit proposal and expressed concern that the library budget be finalized by September prior to levy limit information is made available. Chairman Kroll indicated there was no response from any other municipality nor the library on his proposal. The proposal to only allow an increase to the municipality portion of the library budget to the extent of a levy limit increase was an idea presented for discussion purposes at this time. The town board agreed to move forward with

presenting the idea to the other municipalities and hold a meeting to discuss in the near future.

- Discussion and Action on Oneida County Zoning Request, Plan Commission and Citizen Zoning request, if any. Chairman's report.  
Mr. Hammer noted he recently received a zoning request in the Soo Lake Road area which will be discussed at the next meeting. The commission will also continue discussion on a possible communication tower at Newbold Fire Station 2.
- County Supervisors Report. Mr. Rudolph was present and discussed his recent testimony at the National Resources Policy Board. The next county board meeting is scheduled for February 16<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Metropulos had nothing further to add.
- Discussion and action on reporting tax exempt properties. Mrs. Gauthier, Clerk researched the process further and recommended she take care of sending out all the documents instead of the town assessor. Mrs. Gauthier indicated there are fewer exempt properties required to report than indicated and does not believe there is need to charge property owners a fee for this small task. The town board had no objections to the Clerk processing the exempt property documents required by the State.
- Discussion and action on repairs to the 2001 plow truck. Mr. Fetzer indicated this plow truck will need injector repairs. *A motion was made by Mr. Staskiewicz and seconded by Mr. Metropulos to authorize repairs to the 2001 plow truck as described. That motion carried on a vote of five ayes and zero nays.*
- Discussion and action on VFD acquisition of an aerial imaging system. Mr. Fetzer, Chief and Steve Siefert, Assistant Chief presented a handout of the "Inspire1" device and explained the potential for fire and rescue use. The department would utilize picnic fundraising money if its decided to purchase the unit. The town board had no objections.
- Discussion and action on the proposed agreement between the Town of Newbold and Mr. Paul Osterman, d/b/a Northwood's Communications Technologies, LLC regarding a proposed construction of a communications tower at VFD station two. Chairman Kroll provided the town board with changes he made to Mr. Osterman's proposed lease agreement. Mr. Osterman has not responded and was not present at the meeting. The town board agreed to research further the exact cost of construction and wait for a response from Mr. Osterman on the proposed changes.
- Discussion and possible action on a citizen request to modify the speed limit on Ole Lake Road. Chairman Kroll indicated he researched the statute and had contact with local D.O.T. and was advised that by default the speed limit would be fifty-five, however a reduction is viable at forty-five and advisory speeds of thirty-five are possible on the curves. Chairman Kroll has driven various speeds on the section of Ole Lake Road nearest Hwy 47 and believes the thirty-five speed on the curves is a safer rate of speed for this road. Mr. Nix, resident is also seeking a hidden driveway sign near his driveway. It was recommended by Chairman Kroll that this sign also be placed near Mr. Nix's entrance.

- Discussion and action on town hall furnace repairs. Mr. Staskiewicz indicated the two furnaces in the town hall on the former fire department side of the building are not working properly. The town board recommends obtaining quotes to fix or replace the furnace. *A motion was made by Mr. Hammer and seconded by Mr. Metropulos to approve up to \$500 for an initial estimate and/or servicing the existing furnace at the town hall. That motion carried on a vote of five ayes and zero nays.*
- Administration review and action, if necessary, concerning general government, public safety, recycling, sanitation, culture, education, job assignments, project updates, transportation, budget items, fund transfers, and future agenda items.

Next town board meeting of February 25, 2016 will be cancelled due to the Clerk and Treasurer not being available. The next meeting will be March 10, 2016. The meeting of March 31, 2016 will include discussion on West Nokomis Drive. Mr. Hammer request to discuss the town hall location as a possible bus stop for transit transportation at the next meeting.

- Public Comment and Communication Period per Wisconsin Statutes whereby the Town Board may receive input on any matter raised by the public.
- Adjournment at 8:00 p.m. *A motion was made by Mr. Staskiewicz and seconded by Mr. Oestreich to adjourn. That motion carried with five ayes and zero nays.*

Submitted by Kim Gauthier, Town Clerk