

## Minutes of the Town of Newbold Town Board Regular Town Board Meeting Held on Thursday, July 27, 2017

The Town of Newbold Town Board met on Thursday, July 27, 2017 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 6:30 p.m. The following were in attendance: Dave Kroll, Chairman; Bob Metropulos, Jim Staskiewicz, Ed Hammer, Mike McKenzie, Supervisors; Kim Gauthier, Clerk and Jodie Hess, Treasurer.

The regular town board meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m., by Chairman Kroll, who also led the audience in the pledge of allegiance. The Clerk verified the agenda was properly noticed to the public.

*A motion was made to approve the town board meeting minutes of July 13, 2017 by Mr. Metropulos and Mr. Staskiewicz. That motion carried on a vote of all ayes and zero nays.*

The Town Board agreed to take public comment at this time allowing Mike Muelver, Peterson Appraisal to speak. Mr. Muelver indicated his office has moved to the second floor of the Curran Building, however the mailing address and phone number remain the same.

County Board of Supervisor's report by Newbold representatives. Jim Winkler was absent and excused. Mr. Metropulos had nothing to add.

Discussion and action on Oneida County Zoning requests, Plan Commission and citizen zoning requests, if any. Ed Hammer indicated there was no meeting in July, but there will be a land division review for the August meeting.

Monthly volunteer fire department report was distributed by Chief Fetzer. The annual volunteer fire department picnic is August 19, 2017. Chief Fetzer provided a fire report to the board. Mr. Fetzer also noted that he is requesting to install an emergency light and siren on his road patrol truck to allow him to respond to fire calls while acting as the Public Works Director. *A motion was made by Mr. Staskiewicz and seconded by Mr. McKenzie to approve the emergency light and siren as requested. That motion carried on a vote of all ayes and zero nays.* Chairman Kroll noted if at some time the fire personnel no longer serve in both capacities of road work and fire call duty, the light and siren will be removed.

Monthly road report was provided by Public Works Director, Mark Fetzer and distributed to the town board.

Discussion and action on town hall replacement tree donation. Chief Fetzer indicated the Mangerson family would like to replace the memorial tree currently next to the town hall with an oak tree. The town board asked that Mr. Fetzer consider with the family if an oak tree will work that close to the town hall given the potential size of the tree in the future. Mr. Fetzer will discuss this further with the family and report back to the board in August.

Discussion and action on West Nokomis Drive access. Mr. Salentine requested to speak to the town board regarding concerns that the town has not resolved the issue of the

town taking over West Nokomis Drive. Chairman Kroll clarified that the town researched this issue a couple years ago and found that in 1954 the town collected gas tax for one year with the understanding that the road would be developed, however the road was not constructed and never became a town road. The easement document found, was only for the land (see deed section sub.5) and indicated the land went back to the State. Then a 1983 document indicated the road is a private road, therefore, the town's position is this road was never established as a town road. Mr. Salentine commented on the Zickert easement in his understanding was just for adjoining residents, but with a stipulation that the town could take the road over. However, at the time the easement was established there was no need for the town to take the road over. Now, there are some residents who are concerned about the amount of maintenance and gravel needed for the road and others who want the road left alone and not cleared for a 66-foot road. Chairman Kroll suggested the audience hear town board discussion on the next two agenda items, as this may present further information for consideration. Upon completion of the agenda items discussed it was decided that the board does not have enough information to make a decision on West Nokomis Drive, however the town would like to resolve this issue once and for all. Mr. Hammer recommended the DNR get involved in this matter, as the State is a property owner on this road. Chairman Kroll will continue researching the matter and suggested the property owners come together and present something in writing to the board if interested in working with the town on this matter. This will be discussed again at the August 31<sup>st</sup> town board meeting.

Discussion and update on the Rosalie Lane project. Chairman Kroll noted that Rosalie Lane is a private road which some property owners would like improved and brought up to town standards so to make it a town road. Chairman Kroll and Clerk Gauthier recently met with Attorney Greg Harrold who advised the town there needs to be one-hundred percent support by all property owners, as all will have to sign a new deed if this becomes a town road. Information is still being gathered by the attorney prior to presenting a report to the town. It was noted that all estimated expenses will be needed before a total cost can be figured, including Mr. Fetzer's road department expenses.

Review and discussion of Chapter 8, Town of Newbold Ordinance related to minimum road design standards. Chairman Kroll provided the town board with a copy of the current ordinance and asked for board discussion on consideration of relaxing the specifications if one-hundred percent of owner's come to an agreement with each other and the town. He also asked for discussion on potential revisions for some standards to be relaxed if development was prior to a certain date, such as when the ordinance was established. Board discussion took place and it was agreed that Chairman Kroll should come back with some proposed language at the August 10<sup>th</sup> town board meeting.

Discussion and action on purchasing grass seed for the recreation area on Ole Lake Road. Pete Cody indicated at last board discussion on this, it was decided to wait until September to seed. However, since then the contractors recommended seeding around the tee pads right away to prevent washout. Therefore, a small amount of seed was donated and another small amount was purchased right away. No more will be needed until fall. No action taken.

Approval of any bills and /or disbursements and any fund transfers. The Clerk presented bills to be approved.

*A motion was made by Mr. McKenzie and seconded by Mr. Hammer to approve the bills and disbursements, as presented. That motion carried on a vote of all ayes and zero nays.*

Administrative 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.

The next town board meeting is August 10, 2017, at 6:00 p.m., finance meeting and 6:30 p.m., regular town board meeting.

Public comment and communication period per Wisconsin statutes whereby the town board may receive input on any matter raised by the public.

Mr. Cody indicated there is still firewood available at the recreation site and those interested in picking up should contact him for coordination.

*The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m., on a motion made by Mr. Metropulos and Mr. Hammer with no objection.*

Respectfully submitted by:  
Kim Gauthier, Newbold Town Clerk