

Minutes of the Town of Newbold Town Board Finance and Regular Town Board Meeting held on Thursday, October 8, 2020

The Town of Newbold Town Board met on **Thursday, October 8, 2020** at 6:00 p.m. for the Town Board Finance meeting and Regular Monthly Meeting, at the Town of Newbold Town Hall, 4608 Apperson Drive, Rhinelander, Wisconsin, 54501, Oneida County, Wisconsin. The following were in attendance: Chairman, Dave Kroll and Supervisors, Bob Metropulos, Jim Staskiewicz, Mike McKenzie and Mike Sueflohn along with Kim Gauthier, Clerk. Jodie Hess, Treasurer was absent and excused.

The finance meeting was called to order by Chairman Kroll at 6:00 p.m.

Budget Transfers and Approval of Disbursements:

A motion was made by Jim Staskiewicz and Mike Sueflohn to approve the transfer from Designated Town Hall funds to operating supplies town hall \$2450 and to long range planning capital improvement \$7144.88 and from the general fund to designated recreation area \$139.86. That motion was carried on a voice vote of all aye.

A motion was made by Jim Staskiewicz and Bob Metropulos to approve bills and disbursements as presented. That motion carried on a voice vote of all aye. Financial reports were received. Clerk, Kim Gauthier indicated CARES grant forms were sent to the Wisconsin Election Commission for additional election expenses due to COVID-19. Newbold is eligible for \$2,371.40 based on voter registration records.

The finance meeting was adjourned at 6:23 p.m., by Mike Sueflohn and Mike McKenzie with no objections.

Regular Town Board Meeting: Chairman Kroll called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., led the pledge of allegiance. The Clerk verified that the meeting was properly noticed to the public.

Approval of prior Town Board Meeting Minutes:

A motion was made by Jim Staskiewicz and Bob Metropulos to approve the September 21, 2020 special town board and building committee minutes and the September 21, 2020 special town board minutes and the September 24, 2020 regular town board minutes and the September 28, 2020 special town board and building committee minutes, as presented. That motion carried on a voice vote of all aye.

Monthly Town Assessor Report by Jef Muelver, Town Assessor:

Mr. Muelver was present and provided a written report indicating sales activity is very active; total building permits to date are thirteen compared to eighteen last year. The annual assessor meeting will be on-line this year due to the pandemic.

County Board of Supervisors Report:

Mr. Winkler was present and indicated Stephanie Sowatzka, District 15 Newbold and Lake Tomahawk representative has resigned from the County Board. The Chairman will appoint the opening and any interested should contact him. There is a scheduled Veterans open house Nov. 11th at the county veterans building on Coon Street. County budget discussion continue with non-essential departments needing to reduce budgets, including a five percent reduction in U.W. Extension.

Town Building Committee Report:

Mr. Staskiewicz indicated the committee will meet on October 12th to discuss and see an alternative building design for the town hall within the current building. Melody from Funktion Design will present the alternative and dates for presentations will be finalized along with discussion on possible referendum questions.

Plan Commission and Citizen Zoning Requests:

Mr. Suefloh noted no action was taken at the last meeting when two items for review were on the agenda, however no representative appeared to present. The commission continues discussion on the comprehensive plan with Northcentral Regional Planning. The next meeting is the first Thursday in November.

Discussion and action on Reserved Liquor License Application of Woodcrest Holdings, LLC d/b/a The Pines Event Center, for a Class B Liquor.

The Clerk presented the application and noted the applicant received approval for a class B beer license this past year and after much research it was determined the Town of Newbold holds an available Class B Liquor reserve license. *A motion was made to approve the Class B Liquor reserve license in the amount of \$10,000 for Woodcrest Holdings, d/b/a The Pines Event Center including a credit of \$100 less the fee already paid for the class B beer. That motion carried on a voice vote of all aye.*

Discussion and action on Bartender License Application of Angela Wranik and Eric Powell.

Mrs. Gauthier, Clerk presented applications for the named applicants with no concerns and all paperwork and fees in order. *A motion was made by Mike Suefloh and Jim Staskiewicz to approve the bartender license for Angela Wranik and Eric Powell, as presented. That motion carried on a voice vote of all aye.*

Discussion and action on Resolution #2020-05, regarding metallic sulfide mining:

Chairman Kroll indicated at the last meeting a proposal was received to consider a resolution to repeal a mining moratorium law pertaining to metallic sulfide mining. Chairman Kroll read the resolution. *A motion was made by Jim Staskiewicz and Bob Metropulos to approve the resolution #2020-05, as presented. A roll call vote was taken with Mike McKenzie, aye; Jim Staskiewicz, aye; Mike Suefloh aye; Bob Metropulos aye; and Dave Kroll aye. That motion carried.* The Clerk will forward onto Scott Littell.

Discussion and action on Employee Health Insurance plan options.

Chairman Kroll noted the town received clarification from State ETF that a one plan must be selected by the town board. Clerk, Kim Gauthier prepared documents of plan options and a spreadsheet of financial impact for each plan compared to the current plan for board consideration. *A motion was made by Jim Staskiewicz and Mike McKenzie to select plan number four, Local High Deductible Health Plan with the State Group Health insurance plan. That motion carried on a voice vote of all aye.*

It was noted that the board will need to make revisions to the employee handbook to include wages, opt-out stipend and H.S.A. contribution amendments. This will be scheduled for a later meeting.

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.

Next town board meeting is scheduled for October 29, 2020. A public hearing on Bass Lake ordinance amendments will also be scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on October 29th.

Chairman Kroll noted the ATV/UTV ordinance is set for a sunset clause to be discussed prior to December 31, 2020 which will be an agenda item on October 29th at 6:30 p.m. this will not be a public hearing but a board decision whether to possibly schedule a hearing.

Public Comment Period:

None received.

Adjournment. *The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m., by Bob Metropulos and Mike Sueflohn, with no objections.*

Respectfully Submitted by Kim Gauthier, Newbold Town Clerk