

Monthly Town Board Meeting: February 8, 2016

This meeting was properly posted according to Wis Statutes and Open Meeting Law. The building is handicap accessible. It was posted at the Landing, County Y, Schaefer's Wharf, County L, and the Nokomis Town Hall posting boards.

Attendees: Bette Stillman, Supervisor
Brian Schmidt, Supervisor
John Bowman, Chairman
Wendy Smith, Clerk
Judi Asmondy, Treasurer

Call to Order: John Bowman, Chairman, called meeting to order in accordance with the open meeting law at 6:00 p.m., noting that the meeting notice had been properly posted and that the building and meeting room are handicap accessible. 1. M/M Brian 2. M/M Bette All in favor

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda: 1. M/M Brian 2. M/M Bette All in favor

Approve Check and Voucher Void check 14073: 1. M/M Brian to approve checks and vouchers and void check 14073 2. M/M Bette All in favor

Approve January Financial: \$1,708,823.49 1. M/M Bette 2. M/M Brian All in favor

Public Comments: Anything other than ATV.

Working on deed conflicts sending letter to attorney for opinion.

2094 Whispering Pines Public Nuisance: No response to letter. John suggest proceeding with posting property and posting first class notice. 1. M/M Bette to proceed 2. M/M Brian. All in favor.

Accept/Deny Recommendation to County for ATV use on County L: Vote is for the board to proceed to Petition County to open L.

4 Letters returned since last meeting with majority in favor or opening.

Speed limit was an agenda item with county. Board member is concerned regarding speed limit and ATV's on the road.

Question on who would put signs up? County does but club responsible for cost. Speed limit requested for the ATV's is 35.

There haven't been any issues on other roads.

It is anticipated not to have much traffic they just want to get from point A to point B.

ATV club would be responsible for maintenance and cost of signage.

Unknown if they will pave the shoulder.

They would ride on pavement but would be common courtesy to move over for traffic.

Explanation on what is needed to hold a referendum.

Referendum is too late per board's perspective as they already use the roads.

People have had many months to respond.

There is strong opinions both ways.

Public safety committee has the authority to close trail without board approval.

1. M/M John that Nokomis Town Board goes on record to ask Oneida County to open ATV/UTV traffic. 2. M/M Bette (2) for (1) opposed.

People need to watch County Board agendas to attend to support. It pays to contact the committee members.

Approve minutes 1/11/16: 1. M/M Bette 2. M/M Brian All in favor

Fire Department Update: Not a lot to report. Started busy with number of calls this year. Always looking for volunteers. Question on if financial encouragement would bring members in? Many aren't doing for financial gain.

Cemetery/Deeds Update: 2 deeds
2 burials
Rates going up
Different rates for resident vs nonresident.
Board meeting 2/9/16 @ 1:00

Update on Road Construction and Road Issues:

Keeping up with weather.
Painting shop
Load of sand has massive rocks Arnott's brought screener and has helped with issues.
Kubota broke down for repair.
Question on bulling county for use of screener.
Getting ready for park maintenance

Park Updates: None

County Issues: Report submitted and available for residents review.

ATV Trails/ATV club: None

What about \$10,000 being spent out of town? New WTA attorney is being hired and doesn't have a response yet.

Don't want to pay town attorney for response. No plans on money being spent so still have time. This will be a continuing agenda item listed as "legal opinion regarding spending money on ATV trails"

Operator License: 1. M/M Bette 2. M/M Brian All in favor

Exploratory committee for Public Safety Building: Meeting March 2 @ 6:00 pm at fire station.

Lincoln contract was \$18,000 or more.
If we went back could be \$25,000 to \$30,000

Accept/Deny WIPFLI Audit Contract: 1. M/M Brian 2. M/M Bette All in favor

Future Agenda Items and Dates:

All carryover items

Public Comments: What would be the cost to put bathrooms up at wayside for ATV's? Many permits needed and doubt DNR would allow due to being by water.

Adjourn Meeting: 1. M/M Brian 2. M/M Bette All in favor

NOTE a complete recording of town board meetings are available for residents review in the clerk's office.