



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING  
MINUTES FOR 02/09/2011  
TOWN OF SPIDER LAKE, SAWYER CO, WI**

The Town of Spider Lake monthly meeting was called to order by Town Chair Hucker at 6:21 pm. Present were Hucker, Brandt, McGuiness, Meyer, Promersberger, Treasurer Overman, Clerk Ferda and Fire Chief D. Brandt.

Motion was made by Meyer and 2nd by McGuiness to amend the agenda to move item #7 (discussion regarding the request for use of portions of certain Town Toads for ATV use) to after the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Discussion was held regarding the request for use of portions of certain Town Roads for ATV use. Hucker reported he spoke with Pat Retzlaff (recreation officer) regarding ATV use on town roads within the county and was told few complaints have been received. Sue Miller (DNR Warden) advised that ATV accidents and ATV citations are filed with the DNR in Madison. She also stated that enforcement resources are available through the DNR, Forest Service and the Sawyer County Sheriff's office. She feels the use of these roads will not increase the number of enforcement issues. Hucker asked what volume of ATV use is anticipated. Olson and Mrotek (ATV club representatives) stated this is not tracked but there could possibly be 100 users during a holiday week. McGuiness advised no additional maintenance on the roads would be required. Depending on the weather, additional gravel may be needed. The Chair polled the supervisors and each was supportive of allowing temporary use. Hucker stated the Board needs to address the following issues:

1. Set a time limit to see if progress is being made on the sustainable trail
2. Timely progress reports should be provided to the Town. (Olson indicated he would take on this responsibility.)
3. ATV use on the proposed roads should be limited to daylight operation only
4. At least initially, restrict time of year. Snow season and primary deer season would be off limits. May 1 - October 15 is suggested.
5. Road prep work and plowing for the spring and the winter must be a consideration.

Olson stated that at least two years would be needed for the use of town roads while the environmental impact study for the sustainable trail is being done. Town road use would be eliminated as the sustainable trail progresses from the west side of town to the east side. He requested that the season run through November 1st as three clubs participate in a Toys for Tots ATV run the third week in October. Prudence Ross wants the season to end October 15th due to grouse hunters. If a time limit is imposed, Miller suggested that it be signed really well. The local ATV Clubs will provide the signage and the town would install the signs. The board decided to draft amendments to the Town's existing ordinance for consideration at its March's meeting.

Motion to approve the Town Board minutes of 1-12-11, the Plan & Review Commission minutes of 1-5-11 and the Public Hearing minutes of 1-5-11 was made by McGuiness and 2nd by Brandt. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was given by Overman. January 2011 receipts were \$1,383,121.84 and expenditures were \$581,209.90 leaving a balance of \$1,638,430.25. Hucker stated the report should show a loan balance of \$155,000.00 plus interest for the road equipment. Motion to approve the Treasurer's report as amended was made by Brandt and 2nd by Promersberger. All in favor. Motion carried. Overman will be sending out notices regarding delinquent personal property taxes. Hucker asked Overman to follow up on all of the delinquent personal property taxes dating back to 2002-2003 to see if the town can pursue collecting these taxes and, if not, they should be written off. The fire truck loan is now paid in full.

The vouchers were presented for payment. Motion to approve the vouchers was made by McGuiness and 2nd by Promersberger. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Hucker reported he was contacted by Bob Dale, President of the Quiet Lakes Association. They are applying for an invasive species monitoring grant similar to the Spider Chain of Lakes Association grant the Town received and need letters of support. Hucker wrote a letter of support as an individual. If they receive the grant, the association would like the Town to hire monitors on their behalf. A motion was made by Meyer and 2nd by Promersberger to authorize Hucker to discuss and work out terms with the association for consideration to the Town Board if the grant is approved. All in favor. Motion carried.

Hucker reported an unemployment compensation claim has been filed by a Spider Chain of Lakes Association monitor and this was discussed with representatives of the association. The Clerk will accumulate the cost on a quarterly basis and the association will reimburse the Town.

**Plan & Review Commission Report**

Hucker reported that last month the Sawyer County Zoning Board questioned the Town's proposed amendments to the plat ordinance which are required by state law changes. Hucker also reported the Sawyer County Zoning Board tabled the Sawmill Trust Co. rezone from F-1 to A-1 due to lack of information. Zoning Administrator Boss has since met with the County's new zoning administrator (Dale Olson) to discuss these matters. The Commission recommended that ZA Boss attend county meetings as necessary to make sure the process is back on track.

Regarding the parking area to the west of Spider Lake Church on Lower Twin Lake Road, the Commission decided that as long as the church does not blacktop the area, it would not be deemed a structure under the Town's zoning ordinance. They will need to acquire a driveway permit. They will also have to go through a DNR & DOT review.

Regarding an existing building permit taken out in October or November of 2009, the Commission determined that substantial progress has been made. However, the work must be completed by October 2011 or the permit will expire. Before the one year period was up, the building was raised to put in a new foundation. Then work stopped.

Discussion was held regarding zoning fees and definitions. ZA Boss is working on technical corrections in the land use ordinance.

**Committee Reports**

Roads – McGuiness reported the new utility truck should be delivered by the end of February. The old truck with the plow has a \$4,000.00 trade-in value. The Board decided to advertise the sale of the truck in the newspaper on February 16th & February 23rd for the amount of \$6,000.00.

The annual salt storage inspection was held on 2-8-11. McGuiness advised the salt/sand must sit on a paved area and must not be allowed outside of the storage facility. He advised the facility passed and the town will receive notification.

McGuiness reported he has received numerous comments regarding the good job the road crew is doing this winter. Hucker stated there has been positive feedback from residents on the east side of town regarding the road crew plowing that area on the day of a storm.

Health & Safety – Promersberger advised there is a committee meeting on 2-10-11 at 10:30 am to discuss the purchase of a new stove for the town hall.

Fire Chief Brandt advised she will be out of town from February 13th through February 26th and Lee Nelson (Asst. Fire Chief) will be in charge.

Hucker asked the Board to read the RFP regarding the Ghost Lake Dam inspection and make any comments or suggestions. The RFP will be sent to the following engineering firms: Advanced Engineering Concepts, Ayres

Associates, Cedar Corporation, Cooper Engineering and Tiry Engineering, Inc. and any proposals must be returned to the Town by 5:00 PM on March 9, 2011.

Insurance & Finance – Meyer will add the new truck to the policy when it is delivered.

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Solid Waste – Brandt reported \$1,249.50 was received in January for solid waste collection. That also includes monies received for the latter part of 2010. The annual report will be on-line by 2-28-11.

**Clerk's Report**

Site & Byte has been contacted several times regarding the adobe software for the new computer. So far, they have not responded.

Hucker advised that ZA Boss has the town's zoning records stored electronically. It may be possible that the old computer can be utilized by multi-users. The zoning records could be stored in the computer and any supervisors needing high speed internet could use the same computer. Any user would have a password and would only have access for their files. Any cost would be shared by planning and general town administration.

Motion was made by Promersberger and 2nd by McGuiness to grant permission to the Cable Area Chamber of Commerce to use Rock Lake Road from the Sawyer County Line to the intersection with Spider Lake Fire Lane also known as Telemark Road beginning May 1, 2011 through May 16, 2011 for their Off Road Classic Mountain Bike Race subject to shared use of the road and subject to receiving the Chamber's one million liability certificate of insurance. All in favor. Motion carried.

At last month's meeting, a letter was sent to Jump River Electric inviting a representative to speak at a town board meeting regarding their use of herbicides. Jump River sent a response stating this matter will be discussed at their meeting on 2-22-2011. After their meeting, they will contact the town. Hucker reported that Jump River will be brushing along areas of Neumaier and Morgan Roads. He was informed that no herbicides will be used.

Motion was made by Brandt and 2nd by Promersberger to authorize the issuance of the January tax settlement checks. All in favor. Motion carried.

Overman reported on the January WTA meeting. Snow removal was discussed and towns have up to three weeks to remove snow. Hucker stated when to remove snow is always a judgment call and the statute just sets a minimum. Sign reflectivity and prevailing wage were discussed. Hucker stated it would be a good idea to contact our representatives to repeal the current law and raise the prevailing wage law threshold back to \$250,000.00. Rick Stadelman will be the WTA guest speaker in April.

Motion to adjourn was made by Meyer & 2nd by Brandt. All in favor. Motion carried.

Christine Ferda  
Clerk