



**TOWN OF SPIDER LAKE, SAWYER CO, WI  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING 02/10/2010**

Chairman Hucker called the regular monthly meeting of the Town of Spider Lake Board of Supervisors to order on Feb. 10, 2010. Present were Hucker, Brandt, Meyer, McGuinness, Promersberger, Treas. Overman, Fire Chief Brandt and guests. Absent was Clerk Guyer.

Motion to amend the agenda to hear from Don Mrotek regarding Snowmobile trails after approval of the minutes was made by Meyer, 2nd. by McGuinness. AIF MC

The Board reviewed the minutes of the Town Board Meeting held 1/6/10 and Plan & Review meeting held 12/2/10. Motion to approve was made by Brandt, seconded by Promersberger. AIF MC

Don Mrotek spoke regarding snowmobiling on a portion of Forest Road 203 east of Lost Land Lake Road, which apparently is not covered by the Town's snowmobile trail ordinance. He suggested that this portion of road has been used as part of the existing trail system for a number of years. However, it was confirmed that this portion of FR 203 is not covered by the ordinance. The DNR issued citations. He asked if the Town would consider amending the snowmobile ordinance. Hucker indicated that no action can be taken at this time because the matter was not on the agenda, but it can be put on the agenda for March for consideration.

Phil Rasmussen spoke regarding opening portions of FR 203, 328 & 204 to complete the link for the existing trail in southern Bayfield County.

Hucker asked about time restrictions for operation i.e.: dusk to dawn prohibited etc. Mrotek stated trails are closed from March 15th to May 1st in the Cheq. National Forest. He stated sustainable trails do not need to be shut down. Road maintenance was discussed and Mrotek and Rasmussen stated there has been minimum amount of problems. Signage expense would be paid and signs maintained by the Club Alliance if ATV use is allowed. The Board discussed how use problems would be handled. Hucker checked the procedure for amending an ordinance such as the existing ATV ordinance and it would require Class 1 notice. It also was recommended that the Town hold a public hearing if the Town Board decides to proceed with amending the Ordinance. It was noted that some additional cleanup was suggested regarding existing use of a small link on Lake Helene Road and Fire Tower Road. After further discussion, the Board decided to proceed with consideration of the request and a motion was made by Brandt and 2nd. by Promersberger to refer the matter to Roads Committee. AIF MC

The Treasurer's report was presented and Overman explained the Clerk's sheets and the Treasurer's data sheets and how they balanced. One NSF check was received and she has recovered the \$25. charge to cover the overdraft. The two late receipts and deposits and the bank charge were not reflected on the Clerk's sheets because they were not received at the time the report was prepared. The Treasurer's report shows a balance of \$1,589,354.07 for January 31, 2010.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Brandt, 2nd by Meyer. AIF MC

The Class B Liquor, Fermented Malt Beverage License application for Tammy J. Hollister Trade Name Possum Lodge (formerly Bucksnot Resort) was presented to the Board for approval. Ms. Hollister was present at the meeting. Motion to approve was made by Meyer, 2nd by McGuinness. AIF MC

The Treasurer submitted vouchers for approval and noted that # 17475-17483 were for overpayment of Real Estate Taxes. Motion to approve all the vouchers was made by McGuinness, 2nd by Promersberger. AIF MC

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As more fully detailed in the PR&C minutes, Hucker reported on the Plan and Review Commission Meeting:

- 1) The County CLUP was approved by the County Board in January of 2010. Our local zoning should protect the town of Spider Lake on zoning issues if a conflict were to arise.
- 2) At the County level, driveways will be dealt with through permits issued by the highway department. The zoning committee will no longer be involved. This should take effect in May of 2010 in order to give towns the opportunity to pass driveway ordinances if they already do not have them. The Commission will consider whether the town should update its driveway ordinance.
- 3) The County decided not to appoint a new full time zoning administrator to replace Christman who will retire in April. County plans to combine the Zoning and Land and Water Departments with Olson as the department head.
- 4) Amended NR115 was approved but is not effective until it is officially published. Counties will have two years from the date of publication to get local zoning ordinances consistent with the revised NR 115. The summary suggests that counties and towns may be more restrictive.
- 5) Board of Appeals did not grant a variance to Robert and Cynthia Buryanek to construct a garage that violated set back requirements at its hearing on January 27, 2010.
- 6) The PR&C will assess if our zoning ordinance should be amended to add more requirements regarding cell towers. It was also noted that there is increasing concern about the spreading of septage/sewage sludge on fields. The Town of Lenroot has encountered a problem from this. The secretary was asked to contact the WTA to confirm whether the DNR has exclusive jurisdiction over septage spreading.
- 7) The ZA is also investigating an issue regarding the placement of a camper at the what was formerly the Bear Paw Campground on Spider Lake.

McGuinness reported that the Town has gotten a load of sand/salt and is planning to get more next week. A Road Committee meeting will be held on Feb. 23rd at 9AM and will include the Road Crew.

Promersberger reported on the Fire Dept calls. Hucker requested that the Fire Department prepare a Capital Equipment List similar to the one prepared by the Roads Committee last year for budgeting purposes. He also requested that the Health and Safety Committee consider developing a plan assessing the adequacy of the existing garage and storage facilities for the Fire and Road equipment.

Meyer reported on a notice from the Insurance Company regarding an option to drop coverage for passengers in town vehicles. If coverage was dropped, it could save the Town \$256. a year in insurance premiums.. He recommended the Town keep the coverage.

Hucker will be taking the Board of Review training on line this year. This will be less costly than attempting to take the training at either of the WTA District meetings in Odanah or Phillips.

Hucker stated that information was received for a rezone request for a portion of the Boersma property. If the ZA can get the information to the clerk, a public hearing will be scheduled at 6PM on March 10, 2010 with the P&RC meeting immediately following and the Town Board Meeting at 7PM.

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Hucker gave the Clerk's report. A letter was received from John and Mary Witt complimenting the road crew for its snow removal work. As noted above in the approval of vouchers, authorization was granted to issue checks for overpayment of Real Estate taxes. A letter from the Assessor regarding Personal Property for Ross' Resort was read. Sawyer Co sent a letter thanking Gene Krause for work on the CLUP Plan. Ballots for April election have been ordered.

A motion was made by Promersberger, 2nd by McGuiness to reduce the Election Board to 3 members for the April 6, 2010 election. AIF MC

Hucker received a letter of resignation from James Imse as Secretary for the Board of Appeals effective in January 2010. Chris Ferda is willing to consider the position and the Chair will make that appointment, subject to Town Board approval at the next meeting.

Motion was made by Meyer, seconded by Promersberger to confirm the Treasurer's request to authorize the payment of the Taxes to the State, Sawyer County and Schools when the figures are received from the County. AIF MC

The door on the furnace room was discussed, when it is closed, the furnace doesn't run to heat the room.

Motion to adjourn was made by McGuiness, 2nd by Promersberger AIF MC

Notes taken by Overman and transcribed by Guyer