



**TOWN OF SPIDER LAKE, SAWYER CO, WI  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING - 04/14/2010**

The Town of Spider Lake monthly board meeting was called to order by Town Chair Hucker. Present were Hucker, Brandt, Promersberger, McGuiness, Meyer, Clerk Guyer, Treasurer Overman, Acting Secretary Christine Ferda and Fire Chief D. Brandt.

Motion was made by Promersberger and 2nd by Meyer to approve the agenda. All in Favor. Motion carried.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion to approve the Town Board minutes of 3-10-10 was made by McGuiness and 2nd by Promersberger. Before the vote, Hucker commented that he received a copy of a letter from the Town's attorney to Deputy Sheriff Pat Retzlaff advising that he will prosecute violations of the Town's ordinances. The letter requested that the Town's attorney be provided with copies of the citations issued. Hucker also advised that the 200' slow no wake zone regulation discussed by Warden Miller at the March meeting is actually a 100' slow no wake zone. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the Public Hearing and the Plan & Review Commission Meeting minutes of 3-10-10 was made by Brandt. 2nd by Promersberger. All in Favor. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was given by Overman. March 2010 receipts were \$56,586.15 and expenditures were \$96,095.97 leaving a balance of \$320,495.76. Motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Brandt and 2nd by Meyer. All in Favor. Motion carried.

The vouchers were presented for payment. Motion to approve was made by Brandt and 2nd by Meyer. All in Favor. Motion carried.

Hucker provided the Plan & Review Commission report and advised the corrected Certified Survey Map for Ken LaCoy (located in Gov't Lot 4, Sec. 23, T.42N., R7W. A Division of CSM Vol. 15, Pg 49, #3653) was approved at the Plan & Review Commission meeting on 4-7-10. The lot line which crossed vegetative lake bed was corrected by the DNR.

Hucker advised the Plan & Review Commission discussed the proposed amendment to the County Zoning Ordinance regarding Section 4.411 Land Disturbing Activities within the Shorelands Area. The Commission's recommendation to the Town Board is to support this amendment. No comments or suggestions were provided. Hucker also advised the Plan & Review Commission discussed the County's proposed Telecommunications Facilities Ordinance. The Commission's recommendation to the Town Board is to support the concept of the proposed ordinance with the following suggestion: The ordinance should specifically provide that a person seeking a conditional use permit under the County ordinance must also comply with local zoning ordinance requirements and must obtain the necessary permit required by town zoning ordinances. The Town of Spider Lake zoning ordinance already requires obtaining a conditional use permit for a tower. After further review of comments provided at the meeting, it was also suggested by the Chair as to Section 9 H Setbacks, that the setback requirement be that no Telecommunication Facility Structure or Telecommunications tower be located within the greater of 1 ½ times the height of the tower (including antennas and lights) or 500 feet of a residence and that no Telecommunication Facility Structure or Telecommunications tower be located less than 1.25 times the approved height of the tower (including antennas and lights) from any property boundary. This should provide a margin of safety for adjacent property owners and also would anticipate changes in technology which might call for higher towers. Promersberger moved to approve these recommendations and for the Chair to forward a letter to the County regarding these matters. 2nd by Brandt. All in Favor. Motion carried.

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The Plan & Review Commission also discussed updating the driveway ordinance as it relates to the placement of culverts. Addressing drainage issues and setting conditions in advance will hopefully stop any problems before they occur. A meeting will be held with Hucker, ZA Boss, McGuiness, Diem or McCracken.

Discussion was held on short term rentals. The County is considering regulating short term rentals. Many on the Plan & Review Comm. expressed the view that the lack of regulation is discriminatory to the resorts as they are licensed, pay taxes, etc. The Towns' Association meeting at the end of the month likely will seek feedback from the towns regarding this matter. Clerk Guyer received a survey requesting information on whether this is a problem for the Town, and, if there have been any complaints, how they were handled. It was decided the Plan & Review Comm. will answer the survey and make a recommendation to the Town Board in May.

Brandt & Meyer were both reelected and have been sworn in. Hucker congratulated them and suggested keeping the committees as they are. All agreed to those appointments.

McGuiness reported the road crew have been putting gravel along the shoulders of the roads. Within the next month, they will be cleaning up fallen trees along side the roads. The Road's Committee sought permission from the Board to authorize it to advertise for bids for road projects for 2010. The projects are: redoing Clear Lake Rd., redoing one mile of Rock Lake Rd., striping approx. seven miles of Upper A and potentially redoing a segment of Ross Rd. Promersberger moved to authorize the Road's Committee to release bid requests on behalf of the Town for 2010 road work. 2nd by Meyer. All in Favor. Motion carried. There will be a road committee meeting 5-4-10 at 1 PM.

The road crew received an A+ from the Chequamegon School District Bus Drivers for keeping the roads clear this winter.

McGuiness reported on a Highway Roadshop he attended regarding invasive species in right-of-ways. It was suggested to mow in spring before the plants go to seed. The Town will be receiving educational pamphlets to be carried in all road equipment trucks. Getting information to the general public is imperative. The pamphlets should be distributed to the Quiet Lakes & Spider Lake Chain Associations.

Promersberger reported on a fire adjacent to FR204.

Meyer reported there is a \$206.00 credit for insurance per the audit.

Brandt will find out if florescent bulbs can be recycled. He also will call to have the electronics picked up at the dump.

Based upon comments received and review, Hucker proposed a number of technical amendments to the existing ATV ordinance. A motion was made by McGuiness and 2nd by Meyer to amend the Town of Spider Lake All-Terrain Vehicle Ordinance #01-01 by adding e and f to Paragraph 1 (e. Fire tower Road from the Bayfield County Line to Camp #38 Rd., approximately 55 feet) (f. Lake Helane Road – 1.2 miles from intersection of Lake Helane Road and Preston Road and .6 miles from the intersection of Telemark Road and Lake Helane Road, approximately 810 feet), and by amending Paragraph 9 to read: "This ordinance may be enforced by any law enforcement officer authorized to enforce the laws of the state of Wisconsin." Discussion followed. A motion was made by Meyer and 2nd by McGuiness to amend the motion to approve the changes with an additional change that the description in paragraph 1 a. read "Rock Lake Road (from the intersection of Trail 8 and Rock Lake Road to the Bayfield County Line)". All in Favor. Motion carried. Motion to approve the amendments to the ATV Ordinance as stated was made by Meyer and 2nd by McGuiness. All in Favor. Motion carried. Hucker confirmed with Meyer that the ATV alliance will provide the signs. However, the placement of signs should be coordinated with and under the supervision of the road crew. A copy of the ordinance should be sent to Deputy Pat Retzlaff at the Sheriff's Department, Warden Sue Miller, Park Rangers, etc.

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The DNR has not sent out formal approval to the town for the Town's application for the Spider Chain of Lakes Association's three year 50-50 grant for lake monitoring of invasive species, but John Kuntz (president of the Association) received informal confirmation that the grant was given. John put a lot of work into this.

Hucker announced that he and many Spider Lake residents attended the Wisconsin Conservation Congress meeting. The Sawyer County residents voted against motor trolling, but, overall, the state voted in favor of it. Hopefully, the DNR will heed Sawyer County's recommendation. Other voting results are listed on the DNR website or available from Hucker.

A motion was made by Brandt and 2nd by Promersberger to give permission to the Chequamegon Area Mountain Bike Assoc. to use Rock Lake Road for the Cable Off-Road Classic Race and for practice from May 1st -17th. All in Favor. Motion carried. An insurance certificate was provided.

USDA Motor Vehicle Maps are available for the Chequamegon and Nicolet National Forests through the Forest Service.

Northwest Regional Planning Commission Grant Projects – To qualify, a form must be filled out and returned by May 1st. Possible grant projects could be fire station renovations which could include a hazmat shower.

Hucker announced he has received a Rail Plan Survey if anyone is interested.

Based upon the action taken at the annual meeting, a motion to donate \$250.00 each to the Spider Lake Cemetery and the Hayward Food Shelf was made by McGuinness and 2nd by Promersberger. All in Favor. Motion carried.

The Board of Review is scheduled for June 5, 2010. Open Book is from 11 AM to 1 PM. Board of Review is from 1 PM to 3PM.

Motion to approve the fees for Liq/Beer/Cig/Oper Licenses for 2010-2011 to remain the same as last year was made by Meyer and 2nd by Promersberger. All in Favor. Motion carried. (Class A Beer \$15, Class A Liq \$75, Class B Beer \$60, Class B Liq \$250, Cig \$10, Oper \$15, Pub fee \$5)

During the questions segment of the agenda, Clerk Guyer asked if the Board had any thoughts about when she might retire or resign due to family considerations. The Board advised that her date of resignation or retirement, under the law, is totally up to her at this point. The Board members also agreed that when the resignation or retirement becomes effective, the Board will take action to fill the vacancy without posting for the job. Clerk Guyer indicated that Christine Ferda has been doing a very good job helping her and would be an excellent choice. Several options to retain Clerk Guyer in a part time or advisory capacity were also discussed.

A letter from Ron's Septic Pumping was sent to all elected officials questioning some of the conclusions regarding the spreading of septage on farmland in Lenroot.

The Wisconsin's Town Association meeting will be held on April 26th in Draper. Guest speaker, Dan Duhms, will speak about cell towers and septic sludge.

A new cooperative called Upper Chippewa Invasive Species Cooperative is serving Sawyer, Rusk, Price and Taylor counties. They are potentially an alternative source for grants on invasive species.

Motion to adjourn was made by McGuinness. 2nd by Promersberger. All in Favor. Motion carried.

Christine Ferda, Acting Secretary