

**TOWN OF KOSHKONONG**  
**MINUTES**  
**December 12, 2007**

Chairman Tim Griep called the meeting on Wednesday, December 12, 2007 to order at 7:00 pm. Supervisors Carol Clavey, Jim Brandenburg, John Debereiner, Jae Ames, Clerk, Bonnie Dahnert, and Treasurer, Judith Almquist were present.

Chairman, Griep asked if the postings had been made. Clerk, Dahnert said that it was published in the Newspaper and the postings were made in the 3 locations.

**Plan Commission:**

- Discuss and recommend action for the following requests:  
**Ray Klug:** PIN 016-0514-3124-000 Rezone from A-1 to A-3 in order to create lot at N303 Vickerman Road. Tabled in Plan Commission – this will address under old business at Jan.2, 2008 meeting.

**Park Committee:**

- Students are working with park to make up map. Jim Varah made the comment that the mounds area is being looked into as to the nature of the mounds within the park. He has contacted the Historical Society to evaluate and see if Indian remains are within the mounds.

**Public Works Committee:**

- *Discuss and recommend action on hiring of additional employee.*  
At the public works meeting there was discussion in closed session. Griep/ Debereiner made a motion to hire Gary Kutz at \$12 regular and \$15 for plowing. Minimum of 24 hours per week will be promised to Gary. Motion carried.
- *Discuss and recommend WISLR report and road rating.*  
Chairman Griep thanked the board members and additional persons for all their time in rating the roads.

Bar chart and rudimentary needs chart are generated from the state WISLR site. Capital costs are indicated on the forms. The report still includes the old 26. The obligation will be fulfilled by the deadline. 1 & 2 ARE 6.2% FAILED ROADS. 3 & 4 are in poor range 1/3 of the roads fall into this. Fair is about 1/3 and good is the balance. Griep explained the figures and said that it will give abaseline to begin with roadwork. This needs to be done every 2 years  
Griep/ Clavey made a motion to submit the forms as presented. Motion carried.

**Finance:**

- *Discuss and recommend approval of 2008 Humane Society Contract.*  
Ames asked about how much activity there has been. Almquist said it is mostly cats that are picked up. Contracting this service seems to be a lot of money.  
Clavey/Griep made a motion to accept the contract for 2008 and pay it in January to save money. Motion carried.

Debereiner questioned if there would be a private person who would do this on per call basis. The cost is getting very high and investigation should be done for the future. Discussion should begin at proposing to have a flat fee and then a per animal charge. This should be discussed before the 2009 contract. Chair Griep said he would take this under advisement.

- ***Discuss and recommend approval of 2008 Milton & Milton Township Fire and Rescue contract***  
The amount jumped 28.3 % and the cleanup went up from \$500 to \$600 for 2008. The letter should be sent with it stating that the amount is very high and our shared revenue is not able to keep up with that. The letter should request the breakdown for the municipalities they serve for fire calls. Rescue went up from 2006 \$1000.00 and went up to \$2000.00. Griep/ Brandenburg made a motion to approve the contract for 2008 and when sent back to include a letter for justification of additional % and what are the breakdowns of the other townships they serve. Motion carried.
- ***Discuss and recommend approval of 2008 Whitewater Fire Department contract***  
This one went up 3% and otherwise the wording was the same. The 2002 list was the last report Carol had for lowering the rate. Asking for the breakdown for the additional townships they serve.

The discussion then went back to the Milton contract and the \$600 was it per hour or per call? Ames would like to change it to say \$500. Whitewater is \$800 per call and \$250 per hour.

#### **Milton Fire discussion ----**

Ames/ Debereiner made a motion to reconsider the Milton contract. Motion carried. Discussion about the Milton contract began. Griep suggested that the board ask to negotiate the contract. Ames/ Griep made a motion to table the contracts for Milton/Milton Township until the per call and per hour fees are cleared up. Motion carried.

**Milton rescue discussion ----** Griep/ Clavey made a motion to table the ambulance contract until there is an explanation of the increases. Motion carried.

Debereiner asked if there could be a year end accounting of the calls of the both rescue and fire calls.

Ames/ Clavey made a motion to accept Whitewater Fire contract. Motion carried.

- ***Discuss and recommend approval of 2008 Whitewater Rescue contract***  
21.6% increase for standby fees. We are paying for some infrastructure in the form of additional dispatch center and dispatcher.  
They provided the explanation for the increase of fees. There should be billing of the individuals using the services instead of the municipality. The percentage look higher, but the costs are not really that big of a dollar amount.  
Clavey/ Griep made a motion to accept the 2008/09 contract because they explained the additional costs. Motion Carried.

#### **2008 Elections**

- Poll Worker Resolution – It was decided that after looking back at last year’s minutes that the Election Inspectors were appointed for a 2-year term. No resolution was needed
- Training Date – Bonnie explained that she is conducting a training for the poll workers on January 15, 2008 at 1-3 pm and 7-9 pm.

#### **Old Business:**

- Sign Grant-- After the first of the year Carol will check with the Town of Jefferson and the Highway department for the continuity of the form. The aluminum was recycled out of the dumpster for Jefferson when they replaced the Town of Jefferson’s road signs. Jae spoke to having Mike take the aluminum to LOEB that has been collected.

## **Minutes/Treasurer's Report:**

### ***Minutes –***

From Nov 14, 2007 amended changes were made.

Griep/Clavey made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Motion carried

Ames /Clavey made a motion to approve minutes of the November 20, 2007 Public Hearing. Motion Carried.

Griep/ Clavey made motion to accept the minutes of the November 20, 2007 Meeting of the Electors to set the Levy as written. Motion Carried.

Griep/ Ames made a motion to approve minutes of the November 20, 2007 for the Special Town Board Meeting as written. Motion Carried.

### ***Treasurers Report-***

As of November 30, 2007 the account balances are as follows: Checking Acct. \$1,317.85, Tax Famma \$2,500.00, Gen Savings \$2,500.00, Repo Agreement \$646,832.31, Passbook savings \$10,878.76, Landfill acct \$433.36. The receipts for the month of November 2007 Trailer Fees \$33.97, Fire Call Repay \$800.00, Dog License \$90.00, Late Fees \$60.00, State of Wisconsin Shared Revenue \$59,129.54, Hauling Permit \$100.00, Operators License \$25.00, Rescue Repayment \$175.00, Driveway Permit \$75.00, Fence Permit \$25.00, Special Assessment Letters \$40.00, Building Inspection Fees \$2,691.25, Plan Commission fees \$300.00, Savings Acct Int. \$1.92, Tax Acct Int \$1.92, Repo Acct Int \$2,142.04. Receipts total \$65,715.64 with disbursements of \$79,018.72.

Griep / Clavey made a motion to place the treasurer's report on file. Motion carried.

## **Public Comment, report meetings attended:**

***Gary Kutz*** made a comment on pallet racking at \$100 and the town would only need 4 sections of 8 and he would be willing to make a split of it. Brandenburg said to tell the lumber yard that we will take it. They will put it on the billing.

***Walt Christensen*** had a concern of people plowing their driveways and pushing it across the road.

***Walt Christensen*** asked about the website on the newsletter. He was told that it is on the newsletter.

The Humane society contract is a state mandated for animal control. The Town is required to provide the service.

***Jim Varah*** asked about the \$750.00 for fire calls in the newsletter and about the actual costs. Jim asked about the Milton fire department article in the Gazette. There was a list of proposed changes in their budget.

The Anchor Bible Church sent a letter in response to their request to meet at the Town Hall but felt that it would not be able to serve their need. The letter was also thanking us for taking the time to consider their request.

***Carol*** went to Boat Patrol – The issue discussed is that the DA in Rock county will only hear cases from Rock County and not from the other counties. Boat Patrol will not meet again until May. The cost efficiency issue was also brought up.

During the Towns Association District meeting the main presentation was by Donna Haugom on Emergency Management.

Hwy 12 bypass discussion on the 3<sup>rd</sup> option with an additional option of J for an interchange north of Pond road.

Jack May called Jim Brandenburg with concerns of deer congregating at the Schwemmer farm. A fence needs to be put up in that area to keep deer off the road.

Tim had a call from the Paysons regarding the mailboxes being plowed out. Tim said he would talk to the county. Tim also witnessed his own mailbox being taken off by a snowplow on Banker Road.

*Judy Almquist* spoke about Concord will be having the County take over the plowing at \$90/hour.

Ames spoke about the article having to do with the Hwy Dept. contract, but a lot of other people must have. Thanks to Chris for the coverage.

**Bills:**

Griep/ Brandenburg made a motion to pay the bills. Motion carried.

**Adjournment:**

Clavey/ Ames made the motion to adjourn at 8:45pm. Motion Carried

**Bonnie Dahnert**  
**Town Clerk**