

TOWN OF KOSHKONONG
BOARD MINUTES
February 13, 2008

Chairman, Tim Griep called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with Supervisors, Jim Brandenburg, Jae Ames, John Debereiner, Carol Clavey, Treasurer Judy Almquist and Clerk Bonnie Dahnert in attendance.

Call to order and verification of public meeting: Chairman Griep asked if the proper postings had been made. Clerk Dahnert verified that they were.

Plan Commission:

Charles Naber: PIN 016-0513-3643-001 Rezone from A-1 to A-3 in order to create a 2 acre residential building lot on County Line Road—

Griep/ Debereiner made a motion to accept the Plan Commission approval on this property. Motion carried.

Discussion ensued regarding possible Indian Burial Grounds, and the neighbor adjacent. The neighbor indicated that the historical society had been contacted on this issue.

County Change to Farm Consolidations:

This was reported on by Supervisor Debereiner. The change was brought up to the county by Watertown and that this would clean up and remove unusable farmland. The 3 acre to 5 acre would eliminate the problem of unusable land to get this removed from cropland.

Supervisor Ames made a recommendation regarding the distance for the farm buildings left and the closeness to the residence. This amount of distance should be identified. Supervisor Brandenburg asked about a road division issue.

Griep/ Debereiner moved to have Ames draft a letter to respond to the County of agreement with an amendment to say that if buildings are within 150 ft that they should be included. Motion Carried

Hwy 12 Bypass option J:

Debereiner made a report on the contact from DOT that this option was requested by the Army Corp and the DOT is going back to only options 7 and 7a. Griep asked if the Plan Commission requested a resolution. Chairman Griep met with Assemblyman Jorgensen and he suggested that we should go on record as being against the option.

Debereiner made a report of the work sessions of the Plan Commission and that another Public meeting would be coming up later this year.

Park Committee:

Walt Christensen made a report of the last Park committee meeting.

Report of Activities-

No work activities have been done but that people have been using the park. They met with Richard Dolstead and others from Faith Community School. Some recommendations were made for a Cross Country Run and the school would entertain making signs for the species within the park.

Park Roadway on Pete Newcomb's land

The Glacial Heritage route is in favor of this but it occurred that using the large amount of money from Park funds may not be a good idea and that the residents may not like to have the money used for this purpose.

Park Zoning

The committee is in favor for rezoning the Briarwood, Mush-ko-se-day, and even Woodlawn. This would be better for mapping on the Jefferson County Maps.

Other Park Business

Looking for burn providers. They have checked with Midwest Prairies, Milton; Tall Grass Restorations, Milton; Applied Ecological Services, Evansville; Local Landkeepers, Fort Atkinson; for the Spring Burn. Midwest Prairies is too busy to work it into the schedule.

Boot scrapers with a sign were presented by Walt.

Chuck Jackson spoke with the City and the County about the roadway with the Peter Newcomb land. The expansion of the current bike trail will be happening with abandonment of the rail between Jefferson and Fort Atkinson.

Ames talked about the money of the City to put toward the roadway. The Towns Association indicated that it must be spent by 2014. Impact fees are the new fees that are charged and that a plan has to be in place for use of these fees.

Clavey asked what the zoning would be changed to and the response was DNR. Bramble Bush could be rezoned but not Woodlawn. Rezoning would need to be routed through the Plan Commission.

Public Works Committee:

Report of Activities

John Stoller was asked if

Plow truck—Transmission problems with GMC and it is in for repairs. No choice but to fix it. \$3500.00 is the estimate for the repairs and the estimate is from R&H as reported by Supervisor Brandenburg. The amount of snow removal that is required this year means that we cannot be without it.

We picked up miles of the County and they are still plowing the roads that we are doing.

Rewiring is being done in the shop so that the light switch can be turned on by the door and you do not have to go half way into the building before turning on the lights.

Discuss/Approve sale of trailer by sealed bid- flatbed (hay wagon)—Flat rack hay wagon. Discussion ensued that Bids will accepted up until 7:00pm on March 12 before the meeting.

Clavey/Griep made a motion to sell the trailer by sealed bid and that the description will be written by Brandenburg to be accepted until March 12, 2008 at 7:00 pm. Motion Carried

Discuss/Approve purchase of shop tools, including rolling tool box and parts storage system -

Griep/ Ames made a motion to approve the expenditures for the various tools. Motion Carried.

The acetylene torch was for sale by Gary Kutz's father. Gary's father wanted to sell his for \$513. The recommendation was that the rosebud would be about \$40. Seals have been replaced and the model is a Victor. The tanks are able to be filled by Rockwell Rental. Walt Christensen spoke to this.

Griep/Brandenburg made a motion to purchase the acetylene torch from Ken Kutz. Motion Carried.

A Welder was purchased from Ken Kutz as well.

Equipment was addressed for needs; and where we are in the schedule for accomplishing work that needed to be done.

An Inventory was done for 2008. We will need to add the new equipment to the list.

Debereiner made a comment on the job being done by our Town for snow plowing. We also have received a call from a resident praising the town's plowing.

Phil Berg Insurance Claim— Griep/ Clavey made a motion to turn the claim over to the insurance company. Motion Carried. Griep talked about what the policy should be for future claims.

Hausz Bros renewal of mining and blasting permit for 2008-- Don Hausz was in the audience about this. The only complaint is from Knaak Ct. that the blasts are felt there. Ames/ Clavey made a motion to approve the request for the blasting permit 2008. Motion Carried. The hours for blasting are self imposed Don Hausz reported.

Four Star Construction/ Enbridge Driveway Permit—Near Westphal Lane

Robert Turner from Enbridge was in attendance to speak to this request.

The approach that is there right now would put them over the high pressure line. The access is so that they can come in between the lines. The request is to have this in approx. 10 days. The valve site is separate from the easements.

Griep/ Ames made a motion to approve this request and that the culvert be placed and subsequent road damage be taken care of. Motion Carried.

A supervisor should be present when the driveway is being worked on.

Road work repair, to be done, should be directed through the clerk to Robert Turner for additional funds. 400,000 barrels per day will be pumped in the future. The hydrostatic loading will be done in the next few days. 72 hours will be the timing on this loading and it could be very noisy because of compressors as well as the lights have to be on as someone will be there during the 72 hour period.

Minutes/Treasurer's Report:

Minutes—Griep/ Clavey made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Motion Carried.

Treasurer's Report –

As of January 31, 2008 the account balances are as follows: Checking Acct. \$2,551.83 Tax Famma \$173,486.95, Gen Savings \$3,726.58, Repo Agreement \$2,150,350.63, Passbook savings \$10,878.76, Landfill acct \$433.36. The receipts for the month of January 2008 Trailer Fees \$8.97, Fire Call Repay \$1,100.00, Dog License \$1,365.17, Late Fees \$20.00, Running at Large \$25.00, Tax overpayment 5,865.12, Real Estate Taxes \$1,380,534.26, Personal Property Taxes \$24,479.09 Special Assessment taxes \$92,389.56, Managed Forest Land \$307.87, Special Assessment Letters \$74.00, Building Inspection Fees \$4,881.25, Repayment of Fire numbers \$103.83, Highway aid \$33,892.59, Photocopying \$1.00, Town Hall Rent \$50.00, Planning Commission \$300.00 Savings Acct Int. \$1.53, Tax Acct Int \$1.53, Repo Acct Int \$7,137.57. Receipts total \$1,552,538.34 with disbursements of \$1,862,950.65.

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

Public Comment, report meetings attended:

Jim Varah brought up the following:

Noticing about Plan Commission issue was brought up that we should notice the neighbors on a petition like the County.

Snow plowing before 10:00 am. What will we do if we go over the \$50,000.

Griep reported on WTA- Clavey, Griep and Dahnert are certified for Board of Review.

Griep attended the Hwy 26 planning meeting in Madison last week. Had to do with the overlay on Hoard road and wanted us to lift the weight limit. We don't feel that would be in our interest at this time.

That was also when he met with Andy Jorgensen and addressed several concerns.

Boat Patrol and wake questions as well as jurisdiction for prosecution were discussed.

Supervisor Clavey asked if the Sign Grant would include posts and signs as well as finials. Carol spoke with Don Bigelow and the Town of Jefferson got posts, signs and finials. Striping was also on the grant so Rock River Road was supposed to have been done.

Bills:

Griep/ Debereiner made a motion to pay the bills. Roads for snow plowing are still being run when we already do a specific road. County Highway commission would be who would need to hear it. A letter should be addressed stating that all bills will be reviewed and we will not be paying for personal driveway use of snow plow and we will be making adjustments.

Adjournment:

Griep/ Clavey made a motion to adjourn at 9:25pm. Motion Carried.

Bonnie Dahnert
Town Clerk