

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 10, 2014 AT THE MINONG TOWN HALL**

CALL TO

ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Harold Smith at 7:00 PM. All board members, Clerk/Treasurer and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer were present.

APPROVE

AGENDA: Motion by Havlicek 2nd by Gottschalk to approve the agenda. All in favor. Carried.

APPROVE

MINUTES: Motion by Featherly 2nd by Havlicek to approve the minutes of January 13, 2014. All in favor. Carried.

PAY BILLS:

Motion by Featherly 2nd by Warner to pay Debit Transaction # 34 and check numbers 24824 thru 24882 totaling \$467,954.70. All in favor. Carried.

The clerk stated we still have an outstanding Invoice from the lawyer, Bakke Norman S.C. in the amount of \$2,196.25 which still includes the \$210.00 for a fee that was charged prior to the time the Town agreed to hire him. We also have never received copies of any emails sent from his office that we have requested previously.

Smokey explained again that we need copies of all emails from the lawyer to explain what we are paying for.

Havlicek questioned if the Union Representative received anything from the lawyer. It was stated that the Union Contract and Handbook were sent to the Union Rep by Gottschalk not the lawyer.

We need copies of all emails that were sent out from the lawyer for the auditors so they can see why we are paying this bill for \$2,196.25.

Gottschalk will again call the lawyer regarding this matter.

Featherly stated to put this on the agenda for March.

FINANCIAL

REPORT: Motion by Warner 2nd by Gottschalk to approve the financial statement dated February 10, 2014 in the amount of \$3,518,201.35. All in favor. Carried.

OLD

BUSINESS: **Union Agreement & Employee Handbook Review – if available**

Smokey stated this is not quite ready. Clerk stated we will have copies to the board to look over before next month.

ZONING: **County Ordinance Amendment – changes to Telecommunication Facilities**

Smokey stated the governor has taken away all the Town's rights regarding cell towers, such as strobe lights, where they can or can't put the towers, etc. This amendment gives the county some rights.

Smokey stated we can always recommend what we want to the County but they don't have to accept our recommendation.

Motion by Gottschalk 2nd by Featherly to approve this County Ordinance Amendment. All in favor. Carried.

NEW

BUSINESS: **Appoint Representative to Dam Assessment Committee –**

Smokey stated they have a dam meeting coming up on February 26m 2014 at 6 PM and that he will sit in on this meeting.

Office Computer – Options to solve virus problems –

Clerk stated that Jamie Bartosh who is our computer Technician says a different anti- virus will not solve our problem. The email is the probable cause of the problem. If we were to put a new anti-virus program on and the old one doesn't get completely deleted then they would work against each other and cause more problems. Jamie suggested Dual Processing on our existing computer which involves

going into the computer two different ways, one for email and a different way for our work programs. He also suggested buying just a cheap computer for just email purposes only. Motion was made by Featherly 2nd by Warner to leave the anti-virus and the situation as is for now. All in favor. Carried.

Town Land Use – UWS access to town property for wetland studies -

Motion by Havlicek 2nd by Featherly to approve this request. All in favor. Carried.

ROADS:

Maintenance –

Smokey stated it has been snowplowing, snowplowing and more snowplowing. Roads are in good as shape as we can get them.

Max Ericson thanked the road crew for the good job they are doing.

Smokey stated Freight Liner has come up with a Retro Fix for the radiator, with a new shroud and new mounting system and fan.

Smokey stated our truck is up at Boyer right now waiting for parts but will hopefully get fixed and be up and running again soon.

Purchases –

Nothing at this time.

MONTHLY

REPORTS:

Fire & Ambulance –

Gottschalk gave report – 3 Fire calls and 19 ambulance runs of which 9 were in the Town of Minong.

Transfer Station – (January 14, 2014 minutes attached)

Smokey stated there were 5 loads average 10.45 tons in December. Money to date \$21,930.25.

Constable –

Erik stated there were 3 horses loose on Little Sand.

Lake Committee –

Laurie Johnson explained the Town has received \$9,000.00 Advance from the Grant for the boat monitoring program and that the money will stay in the Town's account until needed.

Laurie also stated that in the November minutes it was outlined for the loan from the Town for the Lakes Committee to use the money throughout the summer.

Also Russ Robinson will be back for the March meeting to talk about a small Grant for the Lakes Fair in July.

Discussion from Other meetings attended

Havlicek stated he went to the Regional Town's Association meeting in Spooner. He stated he brought back paperwork for the clerk. He gave it to Karen, and she stated she believed JoAnne had already filled this out. He could not remember what it was called.

Clerk stated it was a survey for Hazardous Mitigation that had been sent to all the board members back in November, but she did not get any response so her and Smokey filled it out and sent it in.

Havlicek went on to say the rest of the meeting was regarding the dumps and new regulations.

DATE &

AGENDA: **Next Board Meeting:** March 10, 2014 7 PM

ITEMS FOR

NEXT AGENDA: Clerk stated the owner of Rest EZ Campgrounds is asking for a Class A Beer License, and asked to be put on next month's agenda. The Town has never had one before and this will have to be researched and then the board will have to decide how and if they want to do this.

ADJOURN: Motion by Gottschalk 2nd by Warner to adjourn. All in favor. Carried.
Meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Chairman

Clerk/Treasurer