

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MARCH 11, 2013 AT THE MINONG TOWN HALL**

CALL TO

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

APPROVE

AGENDA: Motion by Jim Smith 2nd by Slavick to approve the agenda. All in favor. Carried.

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MINUTES: Motion by Featherly 2nd by Jim Smith to approve the minutes of February 11, 2013. All in favor. Carried.

PAY BILLS:

Motion by Jim Smith 2nd by Slavick to approve check number 24279 thru 24336 and also check to R & R Radiator for \$1,735.00. All in favor. Carried.

Smokey went on to explain we had another radiator go out in the freightliner which is what this check to R & R Radiator is for. We took it to R & R to have them test it. This new radiator will be steel and not have the seal around the bottom which should then last us the same as any other vehicle. Freightliner wanted \$2,500.00 for another radiator (plastic) and minimum \$450.00 wrecker bill to get it up there, \$120.00 for anti freeze. So was decided to go with R & R Radiator and it is being fixed as we speak and should be back on the road tomorrow.

FINANCIAL

REPORT: Motion by Featherly 2nd by Havlicek to approve the financial statement dated 3/11/2013. All in favor. Carried.

OLD

BUSINESS: **Transfer Station Trailer**

Clerk stated the loan papers would be available next meeting. Trailer should be here 1st week of April. Clerk questioned if the trailer arrives before next meeting if the loan papers could be signed before the next meeting. All board members agreed this can be done as this loan has already been approved.

Truck Repair Bill – (\$7,000.00)

Smokey stated he met with the General Manager of Boyer again and was told they would take this \$7,000.00 off our bill at this time. They submitted the bill per warrantee under Freightliner and said it might take 90 to 120 days to find out what the situation is and the factory rep will take charge from there. Hopefully that will be the end of this bill. Smokey will keep the board updated on this matter.

Review and Discussion of Past Board Meeting Minutes -

Featherly stated she needed to apologize to all the Town's people because she incorrectly stated at the February 11, 2013 meeting, about the issue with the Library, with regards to the null and void that was part of that discussion. She stated "I did second that motion, that being said I am truly sorry that I misrepresented what I had said. I was confused."

Featherly stated that in the future it would be to the boards benefit to make the motion, discuss it as much as it needs to be, and then reiterate that motion so there won't be a conflict like this in the future. Smokey stated in the December 10, 2012 Minutes under Library Agreement, The vote on this agreement should be amended to 3 – Yes, Havlicek abstained and 1 – No. The Deputy Clerk/Treasurer stated this was her fault as she did not state Jim Smith's Nay in these minutes.

NEW

BUSINESS: **ATV Trail Addition – Part of Old Bass Lake Rd -**

Smokey stated you need 80% of property owner's signatures for an ATV Trail. Smokey stated they do not have 80%. Smokey questioned that the document with the signatures says from Brancel Road to the

back entrance of Rest EZ campground and from the boat landing for Pokegama Lake to the back entrance of the Rest EZ campground.

Discussion on this. Bob Zwiefelhofer stated “no” that Brancel Rd is already an ATV Trail and they just want Old Bass Lake Rd from the back Driveway Entrance of Rest EZ Campground to Brancel Rd/Pokegama Lake Rd.

Motion by Jim Smith 2nd by Slavick to approve the ATV Access on Old Bass Lake Rd East from the intersection of Brancel Rd/Pokegama Lake to the back gate of the Rest EZ Campground. All in favor. Carried.

Will be up to Bob Zwiefelhofer and land owners to go to the ATV Club for signs and pay for them.

Featherly questioned why the Town couldn't open up all the Town roads for ATV Trails.

Smokey stated right now the ATV Club pays for and maintains the signs. If the Town took over and opened everything up to ATV Trails then the Town would be responsible to pay and maintain the ATV signs.

Library Agreement –

L. H. (Skip) Fiedler the Town's representative from the County Board was present to speak on this issue. Fiedler stated about two months ago the County board passed a resolution to fund the Spooner Library on behalf of the Minong Library in the amount of \$18,000.00 for start up funds for one year. The board indicated that they wanted all three municipalities to participate at their past years contribution levels. Having now learned that maybe all three municipalities do not want to participate at that level. So his suspect is that it will go back to the County board for further discussion. He believes it will most likely be on next month's agenda, for further discussion.

Smokey stated that per last meeting if the Village would sign this agreement he would have no problem signing it also. However, the Village received a letter from their lawyer stating that they should not sign this agreement. Therefore he doesn't see why we should sign it either.

The Village did sign a letter stating they would give \$3,000.00 to the library for the year 2013.

Smokey stated he has drafted up the same type of letter which he read into the minutes. (Copy attached) The letter states the Town of Minong moved to approve a financial obligation of \$5,000.00 for the year 2013.

Motion by Smokey 2nd by Jim Smith to present this letter to the Minong Library Association and table anything further until our October 2013 meeting to be discussed again. 4 – Yes, 1- No, Carried.

Linda Havlicek thanked the board for this letter stating it is very thorough.

Liquor & Beer License Applications – Black Bear – Link International –

Clerk stated she mailed a copy of their application to all board members. She also has a list of 4 names for operators' licenses, Marilyn Lehman, Kevin Mell, Jesse Wells and Jay Link. Black Bear called on Thursday with this list of names and two of the four applications came in today. Still need to do record checks and have certificate of training.

Clerk explained this will be one of our regular quota licenses; replacing Sleepy Eye or Greenwoods. Price is \$400.00 for liquor and \$100.00 for Beer. We will have one license left. Motion made by Jim Smith 2nd by Havlicek to approve the licenses for Black Bear - International. All in favor. Carried.

ZONING: Nothing at this time.

ROADS: **Purchases -**

Nothing at this time

Flowage Road Intersection – possibly widen it for an exit lane

Smokey stated he met with the Highway Commissioner on March 1, 2013, and he has no intention of widening County Hwy I for an Exit lane onto Flowage Road.

Smokey stated he received notice from Jon Johnson that they will be putting the weight restrictions on the week of March 18, 2013.

Smokey stated for informational purposes that we have Gypsy Moths in our area, which would be on the north end of Gilmore. The DNR is planning to spray for this sometime in mid June. (Letter attached)

**MONTHLY
REPORTS:**

Fire & Ambulance –

Jim Smith stated we had 2 fires runs of which both were in the Town, and 14 ambulance runs of which 6 were in the Town.

Transfer Station –

Smokey stated there were 5 loads in January averaging 9.95 ton

Smokey stated there was a pallet of batteries stolen at the transfer station.

Also the grant application from the DNR for another road was approved.

Constable –

Erik Gulbrandsen was present and reminded everyone that this is a time for break ins and to warn your friends and other residents. If anyone sees anything that doesn't look right be sure to call the County Sheriff's Department.

Lake Committee –

Nothing at this time

**OTHER
MATTERS:**

Items or matters for annual meeting – nothing new.

April 2, 2013 – Election

April 20, 2013 – Annual Meeting at 9 A.M.

**DATE &
AGENDA:**

Next Board Meeting:

April 8, 2013 at 7 P.M.

ADJOURN:

Motion by Jim Smith 2nd by Slavick to adjourn. All in favor. Carried.
Meeting adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

Chairman

Clerk/Treasurer