

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
AUGUST 10, 2015 AT THE MINONG TOWN HALL**

**POSTPONE BOARD OF REVIEW TO ACTUAL DATE –**

Motion by Warner 2<sup>nd</sup> by Featherly to postpone Board of Review to September 14, 2015 from 4:30 – 6:30 PM. All in favor. Carried.

**CALL TO**

**ORDER:**

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 Featherly 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Smith to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor. Carried.

**APPROVE**

**MINUTES:**

Motion by Jim Smith 2<sup>nd</sup> by Warner to approve the minutes of July 13, 2015. All in favor. Carried.

**PAY BILLS:**

Motion by Featherly 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wojt to pay Debit #64 and check numbers 25756 thru 25802 in the amount of \$192,139.66. All in favor. Carried.

**FINANCIAL**

**REPORT:**

Motion by Jim Smith 2<sup>nd</sup> by Warner to approve the financial statement dated 8-10-2015 in the amount of \$814,094.82. All in favor. Carried.

**OLD**

**BUSINESS:**

**Rural Insurance Proposal -**

Proposal was given last meeting. Smokey recommended that because of the policy and satisfaction we have had with Holden Insurance we should stay with Holden Insurance.

Motion by Featherly 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Smith to stay with Holden Insurance. All in favor. Carried.

**NEW**

**BUSINESS:**

**Wildfire Grant Request – Review and propose**

Clerk stated copies were mailed to the Board and that the original grant request was divided into two projects to have a better chance of receiving a grant. One is for a Section of Nancy Lake Road and the other is for St Croix Trail.

Motion by Featherly 2<sup>nd</sup> by Warner to approve these two Grant request applications as written for 2015 Hazard Mitigation Project's. All in favor. Carried.

Smokey explained these grants are to improve these two roads to help in case of wild fires.

Board thanked the Clerk for doing these applications.

**Discuss Application process for Clerk's Position –**

Discussion on where to advertise and when to have someone hired. This would be a 32 hr week to start.

Motion by Warner 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Smith to place ads in the Spooner Advocate and Weekender for two weeks and on the Wisconsin Town's Association website, and on the Town's website, with Resume's to be in to JoAnne by September 7, 2015. All in favor. Carried.

**Office Purchases –**

Deputy Clerk stated being Larry will have an office in the new addition that will be added to the garage that maybe he could use some of the old furniture in our office and we could get new furniture that matches with more counter space for work areas.

Motion by Wojt 2<sup>nd</sup> by Featherly for the Clerk and Deputy to get some quotes for new furniture for the Town office. All in favor. Carried.

**ROADS:**

**Maintenance –**

**Larry Radzak stated that Jon Johnson, the Hwy Commissioner from the County will come to our September 14, 2015 meeting to discuss the Island View Rd situation.**

**Culvert on Narrow's Trail -**

This culvert is caving in. Smokey stated we could apply for a 80/10/10 grant from State and County for a bridge. JoAnne stated this would be at least 3 years out.

Also there is a 50/50 grant for a culvert, that could be done yet this year.

Board decided to wait until September 14, 2015 meeting to discuss with Jon Johnson.

**Smokey stated the Red pickup** dump truck is fixed.

**Purchases –**

**The air compressor** was picked up.

**We have two proposals for a new snow plow**, one from Monroe Truck Equipment for \$10,345.00 and one from Stainless & Repair Inc for \$10,410.00. Smokey recommended Stainless as we would have delivery within 6 weeks where Monroe would not be until at least January.

Motion by Warner 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Smith to purchase the snow plow from Stainless & Repair Inc for \$10,410.00. All in favor. Carried.

**MONTHLY  
REPORTS:**

**Fire & Ambulance –**

Smokey gave report – 32 ambulance calls of which 18 were in the Town and 5 fire runs of which 2 were in the Town.

**Transfer Station –**

Smokey reported there were 8 loads at 95.1 ton. 11.89 ton average per load. Total money collected to 6/25/2015 is \$15,246.00. This is \$3,080.00 ahead of last year at this time.

**Constable –**

Erik reported on cows being out and a missing person incident.

Gave report on when and where 77 will be closed for the Northwoods Music Festival this week end.

Gave report that the DOT is now proposing a J turn like they have up by Hawthorne, for the Hwy 53 & Hwy 77 intersection.

**Lake Committee –**

Russ Robinson gave report stating the clean- boat, clean- water has been going pretty well this year. Thanked Larry and the road crew for fixing the ramp at Bass Lake, and asked him to take a look at Pokegama landing, it may have problems.

They plan on putting in for an approximate \$4,000.00 grant to do the Lake surveys again. This will require a signed resolution from the Town again. So will need this on next month's agenda.

**Shop Committee -**

Wojt gave a report stating they have contacted a General Contractor and will meet in mid September to get bids out in January.

**Discussion from Other Meetings Attended –**

**Warner stated he attended a WTA** meeting in Spooner. Main speaker was Mike Peterson from County Forestry, and talked about reimbursement monies to the Town's for cutting timber.

**Wojt stated Senator Janet Bewley was there** and gave a review of the State Budget. Talked mostly on the effect on the University systems.

**Smokey stated he and Wojt attended** the Link's Community Center meeting and gave report. Plan on having bids out by January and plan to have it opened by April of 2017. Discussion on the plans and what all will be in the Center. Will be 60,000 Sq Ft.

**DATE &  
AGENDA:**

**Next Board Meeting: September 14, 2015**

**Jim Smith wants the Cemetery on next month's agenda** to increase the amount in the budget for next year.

**ADJOURN:**

Motion by Jim Smith 2<sup>nd</sup> by Featherly to adjourn. All in favor. Carried.  
Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM

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Chairman

Clerk/Treasurer