

TOWN OF ST. GERMAIN

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MINUTES TOWN BOARD MEETING: SEPTEMBER 14, 2009

1. **Call To Order:** The chairman noted that this was a duly called meeting in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 P.M.
2. **Roll Call:** Peggy Nimz, Lee Christensen, John Vojta, Tom Martens, Town Clerk.
3. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion Christensen seconded Vojta that the agenda be approved in any order at the discretion of the chair. Approved.
4. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion Christensen seconded Vojta that the minutes of the August 10, 2009 town board meeting be approved as written. Approved.
5. **Approval of Treasurer's Report (Town and Golf Course):** Balance General Account as of 08-31-2009: \$10,849.33; Lakes Account \$21,023.18; Lakes Committee CD \$15,338.44; Park Fund \$0.00; Rental Account \$4,791.06; Bag Account \$17,757.78; Room Tax Account \$37,200.17; Debt Reserve \$109,450.69; Bike & Hike Trail Acct. \$56,973.39, First National Money Market \$495,586.75, Playground Equipment Fund \$5,628.81. Golf Course Regular Account \$98,121.51; Money Market \$196,011.34; CD \$0.00. Fire & Rescue Checkbook Balance \$14,376.07. Motion Vojta seconded Christensen that the treasurer be approved as read. Approved. .
6. **Payment of Invoices:** Motion Vojta seconded Christensen that vouchers 17834 – 17910 be approved along with an extra bill for \$651.29 to Badger Truck Repair, LLC—fire truck. with exception of voucher #17878 to Fabco Equipment. Approved.
7. **Communications:** Ms Nimz stated that the town qualifies for a TRIP grant in 2010, however, the State doesn't know how much money will be available. Ms. Nimz also noted that she had received a notice that Red Brick Restoration, Inc. still owes William Kelly \$2,500. Ms. Nimz also noted that if any residents have a problem with vandalism such as mentioned by Greg Walker in the Lakeland Times, they should contact the Vilas County Sheriff Department.
8. **Town Committee Reports:**
 - 8A. **Fire Department:** Tim Ebert reported that there had been 26 calls last month. The department open house is on Saturday, October 10, 2009. Mr. Ebert stated that he hoped that the new truck would be here by then. Engine #2 was sold for \$19,000 to someone from Topeka, KS.
 - 8B. **Planning & Zoning:** Mr. Vojta reported that there had not been a meeting last month. He also stated that if there was going to be a meeting this month, he would announce the date and time.
 - 8C. **Public Works/Parks & Recreation:** Ms. Nimz said that there would be a meeting with Veolia next week to discuss contracts. The pavilion landscaping had been tabled. There would be a special town board meeting on September 16, 2009 to open the salt shed bids. Ms. Nimz also stated that there still had not been any response from the manager at the Hearthside Inn in regards to the parking and snowplowing. Mr. Ebert added that he was going to be meeting with the manager.
 - 8E. **Bike & Hike Trail:** There was no report.

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8F. Golf Course: Mr. Vojta noted that revenues were down slightly from last year. There would be a budget meeting very soon.

8G. Finance: There was no report.

8H. Housing Authority & Cemetery: Mr. Christensen said that Housing Authority budget had been handed out. He also said that the Housing Authority had done very well and gotten a very good report from the Tri-Annual inspection by the Federal Government. Mr. Christensen also had material to study concerning a cemetery ordinance.

8I. Lakes: There was no report.

8J. Room Tax: There was no report.

8K. Land Committee: Mr. Christensen stated that there had been a meeting on August 26, 2009. A lumberjack group may provide financing. The main concerns right now are Japanese Knotweed and Garlic Mustard.

8K. Vilas County Board Representative: There was no report.

8L. Emergency Planning: Mr. Vojta had nothing to report.

9. Items for Consideration (Approve, Disapprove, Table):

9.1 2010 Floral Display Donation for Business District: Ms. Nimz noted that an individual will be donating floral displays for each pole that holds a flag next summer. The same individual has also volunteered to water the displays. Mr. Vojta noted that he needed the persons information so that he/she could be added to the town's insurance policy.

9.2 Public Works Recommendation for Landscaping for Town Park: Ms. Nimz noted that the public works committee had recommended that the town use pavers for the landscaping in front of the pavilion. The cost would be between \$6,000 & \$10,000. Inmates would do the installation of the pavers from McNaughton.

9.3 Public Works Recommendation for Bo-Boen Request for Use of Town Park for Vintage Sled Races: Motion Christensen seconded Vojta that the Bo-Boen Snowmobile be granted permission to use the two soccer fields for the Vintage Sled Races in February. Approved.

9.4 Town Mailing Address for Board Members: Ms. Nimz suggested that the town supervisors either get another post office box or that a mailbox be put up by the town shop. The matter was tabled until someone finds out if the road in front of the shop has a road name and whether or not the post office would deliver to a box in front of the shop.

9.5 Friends of the Red Brick Schoolhouse Update – Ellen Allen: Ms. Allen noted that the Support Group for the Red Brick Schoolhouse had met last week. The group has found contractors who would be willing to donate either time and/or material at cost to help with the Red Brick

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Schoolhouse. Mr. Martens noted that he had a letter from one of the electrical contractors indicating that they would donate their time and supply material at cost. There are also verbal commitments from a roofer, plumber and heating contractor. The group will try to have written commitments from all of the contractors by the next meeting.

9.6 Donated Labor to Repair the 1965 Portion Red Brick Schoolhouse Roof: Included with item #9.5

9.7 Scheduled Hours for Fall Yard Waste Facility: Ms. Nimz noted that the yard waste facility would be open on Friday, September 25, 2009 and Saturday, September 26, 2009 and each Friday and Saturday through October 31, 2009 from 9:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M.

9.8 Schedule Budget Workshop: There will be a budget workshop on Monday, October 5, 2009 beginning at 4:00 P.M. There will be a one and one half hour maximum for the meeting.

10. Citizens Concerns and Non-Appointed Committee Reports (3 Minute Maximum):

10a. Verdel Mauthe: Ms. Mauthe stated that the Prime Timers now had 302 members. There were 86 at the last meeting. The group had donated \$500 to the elementary school, Vilas County Historical Museum, Plum Lake Library and Northwoods Children's Museum. They also donated \$100 to the St. Germain Volunteer Fire Department, Big Brothers, Big Sisters, and Vilas County Food Pantry.

10b. Gary Guymon: Mr. Guymon noted that something should be done about fireworks throughout the summer before someone gets hurt.

10c. Ellen Allen: Ms. Allen asked that the town bulletin boards be kept current.

11. Board Concerns:

Peggy Nimz: Ms. Nimz stated the elementary school was not going to allow the YMCA to use the school for activities for kids from 3:30 P.M. until 6:30 P.M. The lady doing the activities asked if she could use the town's facilities. Ms. Nimz thought that it would not be a problem except that the lady gets paid for her services. Ms. Nimz did not think that the town should compete with the other childcare facilities in town.

John Vojta: Mr. Vojta asked the insurance be added to the committee report list each month. He asked that Tim Ebert be his vice-chairman. Mr. Vojta also asked the status of high speed internet service.

Tim Ebert: Mr. Ebert asked if people should start to use their new fire numbers. Ms. Nimz said that they should..

12. Set Date & Time For Next Meeting. The next regular town board meeting will be held on Monday, October 12, 2009 at 5:00 P.M. in meeting room #4 of the Community Center. There will be a special town board meeting held on Wednesday, September 16, 2009 at 5:00 P.M. There will be a second special town board meeting on Monday, September 21, 2009 at 2:30 P.M. in meeting room #4 of the Community Center. There will be a budget workshop on Monday, October 5, 2009 at 4:00 P.M. in meeting room #4 of the Community Center

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13. Adjournment: Motion Christensen seconded Vojta that the meeting be adjourned. Approved. Meeting adjourned 6:15 P.M.

Town Clerk

Chairman

Supervisor

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