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## MINUTES TOWN BOARD MEETING: JUNE 11, 2012

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 6:30 P.M.
2. **Roll Call:** Walter Camp, William Bates, Fred Radtke, John Vojta, Marv Anderson, Tom Martens, town clerk, Marion Janssen, town treasurer. There were also seven other people in attendance.
3. **Approval of agenda at the Chair's Discretion:** Motion Anderson seconded Vojta that the agenda be approved in any order at the discretion of the chairman. Approved.
4. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion Vojta seconded Bates that the minutes of the May 15, 2012 regular town board meeting and the May 22, 2012 special town board meeting be approved as presented. Approved.
5. **Financial Report:** Balance town general account as of 5-31-2012: \$16,148.18; room tax account \$12,261.49; lakes CD account \$15,503.00; lakes account \$14,568.66; skateboard park fund \$3,713.98; bike & hike trail account \$7,119.04; money market account \$175,650.09; playground equipment account \$4,388.10; debt reserve account \$204,795.43; fire department \$7,319.32; fireworks donation account \$6,424.85; community development account \$15,227.92; golf course general account \$74,068.21; golf course payroll account \$1,000.00.
6. **Payment of Vouchers: Town, Fire Department, Golf Course:** Motion Anderson seconded Radtke that vouchers 523-629 and 20257-20329 be approved along with the following extra bills: Airgas - \$73.13; tank rental; John Deere - \$18,857.84; loader payment. Approved. Mr. Radtke questioned the amount of the chemical payments for the golf course. The board noted that Steve Spears had reduced the chemical amount by about \$10,000 over past years. Mr. Radtke also questioned the hot water that was purchased at the fire department. He thought that it should have gone out for bids especially since the tank was purchased from the fire chief's own business. Mr. Anderson thought that there should be a procedure in place for making major expenditures that would be the same for all committees. The board also explained that the gas grill was for the golf course.
7. **Chairman's Report:** Mr. Camp stated that he had received a request from several youths to write a letter for them to show as they went around asking for donations for the skateboard park. Ms. Janssen stated that it seemed as though they were asking for donations for the bike and hike trail. The town should be receiving a check for \$3,000 from the Chamber of Commerce towards the blower. Mr. Camp also stated that the town needed to get permission the D.O.T. in order to place benches on State property. The benches also needed to be purchased from a specific company.  
  
Mr. Camp also reported that the parade would be held on Sunday, July 1, 2012. The Prime Timers will be in charge of the parade. The Lions will have their events during the day. The fire department will have a youth day in the field. The contract for music with Wolfman is \$450. The Chamber of Commerce will purchase the awards.  
  
Mr. Camp took part in the Angel On My Shoulder Ice Cream Social by sitting on the dunk tank. He said that the cold water felt good on the very warm day.  
  
Mr. Camp noted that he had received a letter from Attorney Kurt Goehre concerning a meeting that is being suggested by the D.O.T. for all interested parties concerning the proposed reroute of the snowmobile trail along Hwy. 155 in the S-Curves. Mr. Goehre is Tom & Karen Martens attorney. A time and place have not been determined.
8. **Supervisors Report:** Mr. Anderson noted that someone had tried to steal the propeller from his boat. The cost to replace it is between \$150 and \$200. Mr. Radtke asked why there isn't a town board representative on the fire department like there is on all of the other committees. He also thought that there should be an agenda posted for fire department meetings. Mr. Radtke will research the matter with the WTA. Mr. Bates noted that the fire department was different from other committees as it is governed by state statute.

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Mr. Anderson asked what the Emergency Preparedness Committee did. Mr. Vojta explained that there was a plan in place for a natural disaster. The town chairman would delegate duties to other elected officials and citizens. There is also a list of contractors who would do certain duties and predetermined rates.

- 9. Town Committee Reports/Comments:** Margo Rogers Anderson, the golf course pro/manager, reported that the except for some landscaping, the driving range is completed. The Angel On My Shoulder event that was held last Friday was a success raising over \$100,000 for the group. Ms. Rogers Anderson stated that there were numerous comments about how much the course had improved over last season and that it was in excellent shape.

The snack shop is doing well. There are ads hourly on the local radio stations. The course should be featured on Channel 12 shortly. The website has been updated. There have been 11,000 hits. There are seventeen more memberships than at this time last year. It also appears that the course has missed the flies this season. The starters are going to interview people to see where they heard about the course to see what advertising is being effective.

Mr. Radtke reported that the shoulders along the new portion of the bike & hike trail had been completed. Mr. Anderson noted that the planning & zoning committee was going to be meeting this Thursday at 2:00 pm. Mr. Bates stated that the drive on the north side of the cemetery was going to be closed. It would be seeded and a fence will be put up. Mr. Vojta added that he had received five bids for the emergency preparedness committee. Mr. Camp would like a copy of the list.

Mr. Anderson noted that the finance committee reviewed the invoicing procedure. He said the committee is recommending that the public works bills should be sent to the town shop. Mr. Vojta asked that mailbox also be put up at the pro shop. Mr. Camp will notify the post office that the town will be using the two new mailboxes. The committee also suggested that a locked drop box be placed in the entranceway of the fire department for the town clerk. The golf superintendent, golf pro, public works committee and fire department can all put their monthly bills in the drop box. Mr. Anderson also noted that the Housing Authority would be meeting tomorrow.

Mr. Vojta stated that the fire department's reading program at the elementary produced 128,000 hours of outside reading by the students. The review of the ISO rating is continuing. Mr. Camp stated that the 1-Ton truck needed repairs. The public works committee recommended that the various committees review their areas to see what building repairs needed to be done. Budgets could be prepared ahead of time to note the needed repairs. The crew will be mowing the areas that were brushed last year. The bunkers at the golf course will be screened.

- 10. Citizens Comments on Items to be Considered by Town Board:** There were none.

**11. Action Items (Approve, Disapprove, Table):**

**11a. Approval of Beer and Liquor Licenses for 2012-2013:** Motion Camp seconded Vojta that the list of licenses for 2012-2013 be approved as presented with the addition of a picnic beer license for the Prime Timers on July 21, 2012 and operator license applications for Fred Radtke and Marion Janssen. Approved.

Motion Radtke seconded Vojta that the town clerk is authorized to approve operator license applications and picnic beer license applications unless he has a question that needs to be considered by the town board. Approved.

Motion Camp seconded Bates that a operator license application for Ned "Travis" Kellner is denied for 2012-2013 due to reoccurring offenses on his background check. By a roll call vote: Mr. Radtke – yes; Mr. Bates – yes; Mr. Vojta – yes; Mr. Anderson – yes; Mr. Camp – yes. Motion carried.

**11b. Request to Name Park Pavilion after August C. Vogel:** Mr. Camp noted that the public works committee had recommended not to start naming town property after individuals. Mr. Camp also stated that the Chamber of Commerce recommended placing a plaque at the pavilion indicating the Mr. Vogel had been the general contractor during the construction of the pavilion and that the town, chamber and Lions Club should be named as major contributors. Motion Vojta seconded

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Camp that the matter be tabled at this time. Approved. Mr. Radtke and Mr. Anderson will try to come up with a procedure.

**11c. Changing of Speed Limit to 35 mph on the following Town roads: Big St. Germain Drive, Juve Road, Birchwood Drive, Old Hwy. 70, Four Corner Lane, Found Lake Road, Lost Lake Drive North, Kosomo Lake Road, Border Creek Road, South Bay Road, Shields Road, and Halberstadt Road:** Mr. Camp stated that he had asked Tim Ebert to come up with the list of roads. The crew had used the speed check equipment that the town has from Vilas County. The public works committee reviewed the list and approved of the increase in the speed limit. The Vilas County Sheriff's Department has been patrolling the town roads. Right now, they are posted at 25 mph. The deputies have made stops and given warnings, but no citations have been issued. Mr. Vojta stated that during the summer there is a lot of foot traffic on most of the roads. Mr. Anderson stated that he didn't think that the speed limit should be changed on the roads that he is familiar with around Lost Lake. He thought that all of the speed limits are good the way they are. Mr. Vojta added that accidents have been minimal. Mr. Radtke thought that people drive at a speed that they feel is safe. Motion Radtke seconded Camp that the speed limit on the listed town roads be increased to 30 mph. By a vote of 2 to 3, the motion failed. Mr. Camp and Mr. Radtke voted in favor.

**12. Set Time & Date of Next Meeting:** The next regularly scheduled town board meeting will be held on Monday, July 9, 2012 at 6:30 P.M. in meeting room #4 of the community center.

**13. Adjournment:** Anderson seconded Vojta that the meeting be adjourned. Approved. Meeting adjourned 9:15 P.M.

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