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MINUTES TOWN BOARD MEETING: OCTOBER 8, 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 8 other people in attendance.
3. **Approval of agenda at the Chair's Discretion:** Motion Bates seconded Anderson that the agenda be approved in any order at the discretion of the chairman. Approved.
4. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion Radtke seconded Bates that the minutes of the September 10, 2012 regular town board meeting be approved as presented. Approved.
5. **Financial Report:** Balance town general account as of 9-30-2012: \$21,408.08; room tax account \$32,136.08; lakes CD account \$15,515.96; lakes account \$12,736.84; skateboard park fund \$4,155.02; bike & hike trail account \$12,183.55; money market account \$60,702.28; playground equipment account \$4,388.83; debt reserve account \$503,433.35; fire department \$5,835.74; fireworks donation account \$2,042.86; community development account \$15,232.12; golf course general account \$90,344.10; golf course payroll account \$1,000.00; golf course money market \$114,036.08.
6. **Payment of Vouchers: Town, Fire Department, Golf Course:** Motion Anderson seconded Bates that vouchers 932-968 and 2020566-20613 be approved along with the following extra bills: Marion Janssen - \$64.99—reim. envelopes; General Parts - \$1,684.00—repair dishwasher. Approved. Mr. Vojta asked the clerk and treasurer to see if there would be any money to be able to pay down on the town loans.
7. **Chairman's Report:** Mr. Camp noted that the transfer site had gone to winter hours right after Labor Day. He is going to check to see if Eagle Waste will stay open on Saturdays until 2:00 P.M. On October 11, 2012 there will be an informational meeting at the community center by the DOT concerning the proposed work on Hwy. 70 through town in 2015 or 2016. Walter Olson Library has asked for \$10,078 and the Plum Lake Library has asked for \$10,000 in contributions from the town. The Lakeland Senior Center has asked for \$1000. The Red Brick Rummage sale sold \$38 worth of old town items.
8. **Town Committee Reports/Comments:** Fire Chief, Tim Clark, stated that there were 16 calls last month. The tanker has been repaired. The tank was sand blasted and repaired, new seals were installed, new hydraulics, and gauges and flaps were installed. This is fire prevention week. The department will be visiting the elementary school on three days this week. There is a problem with a door lock at the fire department. The association is looking at a new brush truck body for \$120,000. The association is also purchasing new tables and chairs for the classroom at the fire department for about \$3000. There is a balance of \$10,726.37 in the donation account. Mr. Anderson asked if there was any special training for fighting fires in the cold. He also asked to be notified of any special training sessions that he might attend. Mr. Clark hopes that the ISO classification will be complete by next month.

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Mr. Camp reported that the town parks have all been closed and drained. Sixteen Road has been graded to take out some of the ruts. Birch Springs Road has been graded and the sand that has been washing onto Lost Lake Drive North has been removed. The crew spread some gravel to hopefully prevent the washing. The parking lots have all been striped. The town used the Northland Pines striping machine. The Chamber of Commerce donated 5 gallons of paint. The trim on the fire department has been painted. The fuel storage tanks have been scraped and painted. Mr. Camp asked Tom Christensen if the Bo-Boen Snowmobile Club would like the town to scrape and paint their fuel tank. It would cost about \$100. The north soccer field has been seeded and fertilized. The public works crew will be helping the golf course crew to remove stones from the bunkers. Mr. Vojta asked if anyone from the Northland Pines School District had asked the town to plow the elementary school this winter.

Mr. Camp stated that the golf course is scheduled to close on October 17th. The committee is proposing that the greens fees be kept the same, but that the membership fees for 2013 are changed. Singles would change from \$500 to \$550 and couples would change from \$712 to \$810. Mr. Vojta thought that in order to vote on the fees, it should be an agenda item. Mr. Camp stated that he was told by the WTA that committee recommendations could be voted upon. Motion Camp seconded Anderson that if 2013 memberships are purchased thru December 31, 2012 they can be purchased at the 2012 rates. Approved. Margo needs to enter the money that was collected prior to March 1st into the computer to reflect the income for 2012.

Mr. Bates reported that Ted Ritter had talked to the Lakes Committee concerning invasive species. The committee purchased two pages in the St. Germain business directory for \$300. Mr. Anderson stated that the Lost Lake District would like to find grants. He added that the Lost Lake District is going to be a hard working district. Mr. Bates noted that there is a grant for 200 hrs. per lake for inspections, at 75% up to \$4000. There is also money for interns at \$200/lake for inspections and education. Mr. Bates also stated that there was nothing new to report from the cemetery committee.

Mr. Anderson stated that the planning & zoning committee has been reviewing permitting and zoning issues concerning the petition against the proposed snowmobile trail along Hwy.155 on the S-curves. There will be a meeting on October 10, 2012 at 5:00 P.M. to discuss the trail and petition. Also on the agenda will be to continuing reviewing a proposed blight/nuisance ordinance. There are now five members on the committee. There will be a meeting each month. Mr. Anderson also reported that concrete work had been done on the steps at one of the senior housing units. The units are all occupied at this time. The Housing Authority had its annual inspection by the federal and state agencies.

Mr. Radtke stated the room tax commission would be meeting in November.

Mr. Vojta had nothing to report from the Emergency Preparedness committee. Mr. Radtke stated that the room tax commission would be meeting in November. He also reported that there had been 30 drops on the first day and 22 drops on the second day at the yard waste facility.

- 9. Citizens Concerns:** Pat Falkenstern asked if the town had a contract with Eagle Waste and whether or not the town had anything to say about the hours at the transfer station.

