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MINUTES TOWN BOARD MEETING: NOVEMBER 12, 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 were absent.
3. **Approval of agenda at the Chair's Discretion:** Motion Bates seconded Radtke 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 October 8, 2012 regular town board meeting be approved as presented. Approved.
5. **Financial Report:** Balance town general account as of 10-31-2012: \$(-16,173.99); room tax account \$85,228.08; lakes CD account \$15,519.15; lakes account \$12,647.38; skateboard park fund \$4,155.02; bike & hike trail account \$12,184.07; money market account \$60,712.59; playground equipment account \$4,389.02; debt reserve account \$295,194.48; fire department \$5,835.99; fireworks donation account \$2,042.86; community development account \$15,232.12; golf course general account \$88,333.31; golf course payroll account \$1,000.00; golf course money market \$114,055.45. The Lions Club and Prime Timers have both donated \$1,000 towards the fireworks for next year.
6. **Payment of Vouchers: Town, Fire Department, Golf Course:** Motion Bates seconded Vojta that vouchers 1049-1121 and 20614-20680 be approved along with the following extra bills: Carquest \$130.54 – parts; LFGeorge \$87.00 – parts. Approved. Check #20625 to Monroe Equipment needs to be changed to \$881.49. Approved.
7. **Chairman's Report:** Mr. Camp noted that he had received a copy of a certified letter to a property owner from the Vilas County Department. The property was declared unfit for human inhabitation. The property owner had until December 10, 2012 to clean it up.
8. **Town Committee Reports/Comments:** Mr. Camp reported that golf course has been winterized. A crew from McNaughton will be doing brushing along the town roads and at the golf course. The roof on the concession stand at the golf course will be done next season.

Mr. Bates stated the different lake districts are working on grants. Mr. Radtke reported that there had been 97 drops of leaves and 99 drops of brush at the yard waste facility. The facility took in \$392, and the wages were \$360. Mr. Radtke also noted that the bike trail was being blocked off for the winter and the signs were being covered with bags. The planning & zoning committee is working on a blight ordinance. Mr. Radtke noted that the third quarter room tax collections had been around \$18,000 over last year. The next meeting will be at 4:15 P.M. on Wednesday, November 14, 2012.

9. **Citizens' Concerns:** Verdelle Mauthe reported that the Prime Timers had donated \$6100 to various organizations. They had also pledged to contribute towards painting. The Friends of the Old School will be holding an open house on November 17, 2012 from noon until 4:00 P.M.

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10. Action Items:

A. Resolution to Abandon Portion of Jackson Lane:

Resolution SG12-11-01: A Resolution to Abandon a Portion of Jackson Lane

The Town Board of the Town of Saint Germain, Vilas County, Wisconsin, by this resolution, adopted by a majority of the town board on a roll call vote with a quorum present and voting and proper notice having been given, resolves and declares as follows:

The public way described below is vacated and discontinued under s. 66.1003(4), Wis. Stats. It is in the public interest that the public way described below is vacated and discontinued under s. 66.1003(4), Wis. Stats. The public way to be discontinued is described as follows: Jackson Lane in Gov't Lot 7, Sec. 34, T40N, R8E. The request to vacate approximately 200 feet of Jackson Lane.

The discontinuance of the above-described public way will not result in a landlocked property and no owner of property abutting the discontinued public way will be damaged by the discontinuance. The discontinued public way will be vacated and the land awarded to the following owner or owners of real estate abutting the discontinued way: Susan M. Vavrik, 417 Appleton Drive, Vernon Hills, IL 60061; R Place Cottage LLC, 550 Elm St., Deerfield, WI 60015; Jacksons Lakeside LLC, Thomas & Kenneth Jackson, 1120 Jackson Ct., St. Germain, WI 54558. The town clerk shall post or publish this resolution as required under s. 60.80, Wis. Stats.

Be it further resolved that Susan M. Vavrik shall reimburse the town an amount of \$4360 for the new blacktop and that the access to the garage cannot be within 40 feet of the eastern side of the easement in Outlot 1 and that the property owner shall fill and level the easement and surface it with a six to eight inch base of gravel.

Motion Radtke seconded Bates to approve Resolution SG12-11-01 as presented along with the payment for the blacktop, setback from the easement and gravel. By a roll call vote: Mr. Radtke – yes; Mr. Bates – yes; Mr. Vojta – yes; Mr. Camp – yes. Motion carried.

B. Resolution to add Section Sixteen Road to State Gas Roll: Motion Camp seconded Radtke that Section Sixteen Road from Big St. Germain Drive to Hwy. 155 (SE1/4, SW1/4, SE1/4, Sec. 9, T40N, R8E to NE1/4, SE1/4, SE1/4, Sec. 17, T40N, R8E), approximately 1.37 miles, be added to the State Gas Roll. By a roll call vote: Mr. Radtke – yes; Mr. Bates – yes; Mr. Vojta – yes; Mr. Camp – yes. Motion carried.

C. Snowplow Replacement for John Deere Loader: Mr. Camp explained that five years ago when the town purchased the new loader, the town kept the old plow. It has been welded several times. The public works committee has a bid for a new plow from Monroe for \$7,600 and one from Nor-Track for \$10,300. The plows are not in stock. It would take 80 to 90 days to get a plow. Someone is interested in purchasing the old plow for \$2,000 to \$2,500. Both Mr. Vojta and Mr. Bates thought that we could probably hold off until next year since the winter season will be almost over by the time that the plow got here. Mr. Vojta also asked why, if the plow was so bad, that someone would want to pay up to \$2,500 for it. Motion Camp seconded Radtke to purchase the plow from Monroe for \$7,600. Mr. Radtke to see if Monroe has a used plow. Mr. Bates will check with John Deere to see if they have a plow in stock. Motion Bates

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seconded Vojta that the matter be tabled. Approved. Mr. Camp will also call around to see what he can find.

D. Snowplow for 1-Ton Truck: Mr. Camp noted that the blue 1-Ton truck at the golf course had very low mileage. The golf course crew has been using one of their private trucks to plow. The public works committee has recommended that the town's red 1-Ton truck be used at the golf course. The blue 1-Ton truck from the golf course could be used by the town crew. When the fire department gets its new brush truck, the old red 1-Ton truck could be sold and the golf course crew could use the brush truck with a flatbed. Mr. Vojta thought that the town should purchase a pickup truck. He felt that the chipper is too heavy for the 1-Ton truck. Mr. Camp has bids for a plow ranging from \$5,895 to \$6,280. Mr. Bates thought that the town should keep the red 1-Ton truck until it dies. Mr. Vojta thought that a pickup truck would be more efficient, but he also thought that any plow that is purchased should be a V-plow. Motion Bates seconded Vojta that the matter be tabled at this time. Approved. Mr. Camp will see if there are any used plows.

11. Board Concerns: Mr. Radtke noted that there would be a meeting on Wednesday for the victims of the recent vandalism. The Lions Club will be moving all of their things from the Red Brick Schoolhouse to their new building on Wednesday.

12. Set Time & Date of Next Meeting: The next regularly scheduled town board meeting will be held on Monday, December 10, 2012 at 6:30 P.M. in meeting room #4 of the community center. There will be a budget workshop on Monday, November 19, 2012 at 7:00 P.M.

13. Adjournment: Motion Vojta seconded Bates that the meeting be adjourned. Approved. Meeting adjourned 7:50 P.M.

Town Clerk

Chairman

Supervisor

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