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MINUTES TOWN BOARD MEETING: DECEMBER 10, 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 5:00 P.M.
2. **Roll Call:** Walter Camp, William Bates, Fred Radtke, John Vojta. Marv Anderson, Tom Martens, town clerk, Marion Janssen, town treasurer.
3. **Approval of agenda at the Chair's Discretion:** Motion Anderson seconded Bates that the agenda be approved in any order at the discretion of the chairman. Approved.
4. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion Radtke seconded Anderson that the minutes of the November 12, 2012 regular town board meeting be approved as presented. Approved.
5. **Financial Report:** Balance town general account as of 11-30-2012: \$40,455.16 room tax account \$24,798.25; lakes CD account \$15,522.45; lakes account \$16,147.96; skateboard park fund \$4,155.02; bike & hike trail account \$12,184.57; money market account \$60,713.35; playground equipment account \$4,389.20; debt reserve account \$271,932.98; fire department \$5,826.23; fireworks donation account \$3,042.86; community development account \$15,232.12; golf course general account \$40,630.65; golf course payroll account \$0; golf course money market \$114,074.20. 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 Anderson that vouchers 1122-1144 and 20683-20738 be approved along with the following extra bills: Department of Corrections \$480 – golf inmate services; Monroe Truck \$7,600.00 – plow; St. Germain Post Office \$56.00 – room tax P.O. Box. Mr. Vojta questioned what the bill Steve Lucarelli was for. The clerk explained that most of it was for the zoning issue with the snowmobile trail and some was a liquor license issue. Mr. Vojta also wanted to know why the Hicks Oil bill was so high.
7. **Chairman's Report:** There was no report.
8. **Town Committee Reports/Comments:** Mr. Anderson noted that the last 200' of Jackson Lane had been abandoned. The property owners were paying the town approximately \$4300 to reimburse the town for the new blacktop. Residents of Star Lane have asked that it become a town road. Tim Ebert has inspected it and found that it is up to town specifications. Jim Wendt has to do a few things before the town will take it over. Mr. Anderson also stated that the senior housing is fully occupied. There is a tenant issue coming up. There will be a finance committee meeting this Wednesday at 7:00 P.M.

Mr. Camp reported that next season is going to be the 20th anniversary for the golf course. Pro Margo Rogers is planning activities and asking for help. The middle school tech education class is making T-signs. Over \$10,000 in memberships was taken in last weekend. The chamber of commerce has donated "sand bag" bags that have been placed over the bike trail signs. Hopefully the bags will help with any confusion with the snowmobile trail signs. Mr. Camp also noted that the crew is working on the blue one ton truck from the golf course. The tires needed to be replaced. The red one ton truck needed work on the water pump and starter. The sand-salt mix is ready to go. The inmates had left

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some trees lying on Four Corner Lane. There have been several questions concerning the logging that the State is doing on Birchwood Drive.

9. **Citizens' Concerns:** Brian Sherren asked about the equipment and timber cutting sections in the golf course budget. Mr. Sherren also stated that there was an oak tree near Hillcrest Resort that was hanging over the road. Mr. Camp said that there was \$12,000 in the budget for equipment. Carol Radtke gave a check from the Prime Timers to the treasurer for the bike & hike trail. Mary Platner asked if the town would be cutting down any of the dead birch trees along Shields Road. Several have fallen onto the roadway. Ms. Platner also noted that the county has raised the dog license fees to \$5 for a neutered dog and \$10 for a non-neutered dog. Tom Christensen asked if there was any way that the heat could be turned on in meeting room #6 prior to the Bo-Boen meetings.

10. Action Items:

- A. **Fireworks Contract for 2013:** Motion Radtke seconded Anderson that the Fireworks Contract for 2013 with Krueger for \$18,000 be approved for June 30, 2013 and that a deposit of \$1000 be paid after January 3, 2013. Approved. Approximately \$12,000 will be paid from the room tax account. The balance will be paid by donations. Ms. Janssen noted that someone has offered a \$4,000 donation if the town would go back to Bartolotta.
- B. **Lease Agreement for Greens Mowers:** Mr. Camp noted that Steve Spears would prefer a Toro mower over a Jacobsen mower. The golf course currently has Jacobsen mowers. The bearings in the rollers need to be replaced every year. In a Toro mower they would only need to be replaced every five years. And, the Toro mowers cut about 20% faster than a Jacobsen mower. The plan would be to lease two mowers at a cost of \$12,060.50/yr. for five years. At the end of the lease, the mowers could be purchased for \$1 each. The town would be responsible for maintenance during the lease. Mr. Vojta questioned whether the mowers could make it for another year. Or, could the course purchase one mower for next summer and one for the following summer. Mr. Anderson wanted to know how long the Toro mowers were supposed to last. It was brought up that it might be cheaper to borrow the money and purchase the mowers. Ms. Janssen thought that a representative should meet with the board to present all options. Other companies could also be invited. Mr. Vojta also thought that with so many golf courses closing, there might be very good used mowers around. Motion Radtke seconded Anderson that the matter be tabled until the January town board meeting. Approved.

11. **Adjourn into Closed Session Pursuant to §19.85(c),(f), Wis. Stat. Employee Matters if Necessary, Reconvene and take action if required:** Motion to adjourn into closed session pursuant to §19.85(c),(f), Wis. Stat. at 6:25 P.M. By a roll call vote: Mr. Radtke – yes; Mr. Bates – yes; Mr. Vojta – yes; Mr. Anderson - yes; Mr. Camp – yes. Motion carried.

12. **Motion to Reconvene into Open Session Pursuant to §19.85(c),(f), Wis. Stat.:** Motion Vojta seconded Anderson to reconvene into open session at 7:00 P.M. By a roll call vote: Mr. Radtke – yes; Mr. Bates – yes; Mr. Vojta – yes; Mr. Anderson - yes; Mr. Camp – yes. Motion carried

Motion Radtke seconded Vojta to approve the wage/benefit changes for 2013 as presented in the closed session with exception of the zoning administrator compensation and the golf course mechanic health insurance. Approved.

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13. Set Time & Date of Next Meeting: The next regularly scheduled town board meeting will be held on Monday, January 14, 2013 at 6:30 P.M. in meeting room #4 of the community center.

14. Adjournment: Motion Radtke seconded Bates that the meeting be adjourned. Approved. Meeting adjourned 7:02 P.M.

Town Clerk

Chairman

Supervisor

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