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**MINUTES TOWN BOARD MEETING: FEBRUARY 9, 2015**

**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:** Walt Camp, John Vojta, Marv Anderson, Tom Christensen, Alan Albee, Marion Janssen, Town Treasurer, Tom Martens, Town Clerk. There were also 13 other people in attendance.

**3. Financial Report:** Balance General Account as of 01-31-2015: \$ 46,083.13; Room Tax Account \$ 14,291.88; Lake Committee Account \$ 31,077.98; Lake Committee CD \$ 15,593.47; Skateboard Park Fund \$2,841.70; Loan Reserve Fund \$38,284.40; Bike & Hike Trail \$25,061.24; First National Money Market \$ 1,671,278.13; Caring for Kids \$4,393.78; Debt Reserve Account \$ 379,624.90; Fire Department Restricted Account \$11,730.37; Fireworks Donation Account \$2,551.35; Fire Department Vehicle/Equipment \$68,150.67; Community Development Account \$ 38,883.20; Golf Course General Account \$ 53,025.53; Golf Course Money Market Account \$ 54,407.90. Ms. Janssen added that long time golf course committee member, Tom Wenzel, had passed away. Former town treasurer, Val Schuettner, also passed away last week. Visitation for her will be on Friday from 4 to 7 pm.

**4. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:** Motion Vojta seconded Anderson that the minutes of the January 12, 2015 and the January 23, 2015 town board meetings be approved as written. Approved.

**5. Report of Town Committees (Public Safety, Planning & Zoning Commission, Chamber, Constable, Golf Course, Lakes, Public Works):**

**a. Fire Department:** Tim Clark reported that there had been 32 calls last month. The department spent 40 to 50 hours at the radar run. The pressure tank at the fire station needs to be replaced. Mr. Camp noted that the department needs to post its business meeting agendas. Mr. Vojta said that they needed to be careful not to violate HIPPA laws.

**b. Golf Course:** Mr. Camp noted that the new superintendent, Aaron Becker, started work today. There will be a welcome for the new employees at the Whitetail next Saturday at 5:30 P.M. The committee has been discussing gift cards vs. gift certificates.

**c. Lakes Committee:** Mr. Christensen noted that the committee had met on January 21, 2015. The committee approved the expenditures for the coming year and also agreed to support the Little St. Germain District over the next five years from the Lakes Committee Budget. Mr. Anderson noted that the Lost Lake District would be meeting later this month.

**d. Public Works:** Mr. Camp stated that truck #2 seems to be working better, for now. It has been suggested that Mr. Ebert drive the truck for longer distances to see if the problem shows up again. Mr. Camp also stated that the town crew has had problems with the Bo-Boen groomer dragging snow across some of the town roads. Mr. Christensen noted that the drivers have been instructed not to drop the snow on the town roads. He asked for the road names so that he can talk to the responsible drivers. Mr. Camp stated that he had a letter from a resident on Burnt Bridge Road complaining that the road has not been maintained. Mr. Ebert has stated that there is a place on the road where two vehicles could not pass. Mr. Camp said that would be taken care of. He also stated that all of the gravel town roads need to be crowned. Mr. Ebert is checking into finding another town, the county, or a private contractor, with a grader that could do the work. A crew from McNaughton is brushing the town roads. There is a new inmate working for the town. Heating problems at the community center are being checked out.

**e. Planning & Zoning Commission:** Mary Platner handed out a sheet showing how many times the committee has met since 2001. She also stated that it is difficult to focus with so many turnovers on the committee. Ms. Platner also mentioned the 1997 land use plan. She said that Vilas County extension would be willing to help conduct another survey. With a planning commission the terms could be staggered 3yr, 2yr, and 1 yr. The commission would be more

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structured than the committee. A planning commission can also approve of plats without town board approval. There will be a meeting with the planning & zoning committee and the town board on Monday, February 16, 2015 at 5:00 P.M. to approve of a new plat for Wausau Homes for the former Integrys Property.

**f. Room Tax:** The room tax commission will be meeting on Wednesday at 5:00 P.M.

**g. Constable:** Don Baumann reported that he had 20 calls last month. There were six transports to the county. Eight animals had been returned to their owners.

**6. Items for Discussion:**

**a. Additions/Improvements to Veterans Memorial:** Mr. Camp noted that the Lions Club has been getting requests to add onto the Veterans' Memorial. Mr. Anderson stated that it is possible that the town could get a piece of military equipment. He thought that it could be placed to the west of the memorial. There would need to be a concrete slab or some way of mounting the piece of equipment, depending on what it is. Mr. Vojta asked how the equipment would be maintained. Mr. Anderson explained that once the town had it, it would be the town's responsibility to take care of it. There would not be any moving parts, so it would just be a matter of paint, etc. Mr. Vojta also asked which branch of the service it would come from. Mr. Anderson stated that the town probably would not have a choice.

**7. Action Items:**

**a. Walter Olson Library Remodeling : Grant permission for Library Trustees to obtain funding for remodeling project:** Motion Camp seconded Albee that the matter be tabled at this time. Approved.

**b. Payment of Vouchers:** Ms. Janssen brought up IRS charges that Mr. Martens had listed on the last budget statement. Mr. Camp would check with Mr. Martens to see what they are for. Mr. Vojta questioned the bill from Pomp Tires. He asked if the tires had gone out for bids or if retreads had been considered. Mr. Albee thought that there were probably other sources for the tires. The board also questioned the bill from AVFCO for heaters. Had they been put out for bids. Mr. Vojta asked about the bill from MARC. It was not due until March. Mr. Albee thought that the new superintendent should have a say in what is purchased for the golf course. Motion Albee seconded Anderson that vouchers 22576-22687 be paid with check #22663 to MARC being held until March. Approved.

**8. Set Time/Date for Next Meeting:** The next regular town board meeting will be held on Monday, February 9, 2015 at 6:30 P.M.. in meeting room #4 of the community center

**9. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned 7:31 P.M.

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