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MINUTES SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING: MAY 1, 2019

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Tom Christensen called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call, Establish a Quorum:** Tom Christensen, Tim Clark, Ted Ritter, Jim Swenson, Brian Cooper, Tom Martens, town clerk. There was also 7 other people in attendance.
4. **Open Meeting Verification:** Mr. Christensen noted that he had posted the meeting agenda at three locations in town on Tuesday, April 30, 2019 before 6:30 P.M.
5. **Citizen's Comments – Citizens are encouraged to share their concerns and ideas with the Board. Please limit your comments to five minutes or less:** Bob Schell once again asked about the status of the Found Lake Road repairs. Mr. Christensen stated that he would be calling MSA and that he would let Mr. Schell know when MSA would be starting their survey.
6. **Discussion /Action Items:**
 - a. **Payment of Bills:** Motion Swenson seconded Cooper that general account checks 26236-26248 and golf course check #16150 be paid. By a voice vote motion carried unanimously, Yes – 5, No – 0.
 - b. **Discussion concerning the rebuilding of the BoBoen Groomer Barn:** Steve Wesoloski from Lloyd Carpenters/Architects, to review what was going to be done to the groomer barn that collapsed under the heavy snow in February. Mr. Christensen suspended the meeting at 7:00 P.M. so that the board, Mr. Wesoloski and other interested people could walk over to view the building. Mr. Christensen reopened the meeting at 7:22 P.M. Mr. Christensen handed out a list of contractors and also specs for the plumbing. Mr. Wesoloski said that there would be a bidding process, and a class I notice would have to be published. Mr. Wesoloski also thought that it would take about a month to prepare the drawings and that the bidding would be after that. There will be a special meeting on Monday, May 6, 2019.
 - c. **Required updating of the Town's 2020 Comprehensive Land Use Plan / Preferred Land Use Map:** Mr. Ritter explained that when there are zoning map changes, state law requires that those changes also have to be made to the town's Preferred Land Use Plan. The plan was adopted in 1999. State Law also requires that the plan is updated every 10 years. The town's plan has not been updated since 1999. Dawn Schmidt, Vilas County Zoning Administrator told Mr. Ritter that Vilas County can't approve the zoning map changes that have been made until the land use plan map is updated. Mr. Ritter contacted North Central Regional Planning about updating the Preferred Land Use Plan. Mr. Ritter was told that it appeared that the update would be rather simple to do. Mr. Ritter was quoted a fee of \$6,000 that could be paid over two years. Motion Ritter seconded Clark to approve of the zoning committee moving forward with coordinating the update of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan and to allocate \$3,000.00 from this year's budget with the money coming from wherever it can come from. By a voice vote motion carried unanimously, Yes – 5, No – 0. Mr. Christensen added that the update will be discussed again at either the May or June town board meeting.
 - d. **June 8th Girl Scout Campfire Approval:** Motion Clark seconded Cooper that the Girl Scouts be allowed to build a campfire behind the community center on June 8, 2019. By a voice vote motion carried unanimously, Yes – 5, No – 0.
 - e. **Bucher Blues Fest overnight stay in the Town Park:** Motion Clark seconded Swenson that the Bucher Blues Fest people be allowed to park one vehicle overnight in the town park for two nights, July 26, 2019 & July 27, 2019. By a voice vote motion carried unanimously, Yes – 5, No – 0.

- f. **Update Bike & Hike Trail – Bridge Underwater:** Mr. Swenson provided pictures of the bridge on the bike and hike trail near the South Bay Road parking area. The pictures showed the bridge under about five and one-half inches of water. There was also water standing on either end of the bridge. Mr. Swenson thought that it might cost around \$3,000 to raise the bridge and the approaches from both ends. Mr. Swenson also noted that he isn't sure how the bridge is supported from underneath. The board questioned whether the water would just go down on its own. The board also asked if the water could be pumped or if there could be a temporary route around the bridge. Mr. Swenson said that there would be too much water to pump and that a detour would be about a half mile long. Mr. Cooper questioned how the Town of St. Germain in Vilas County could build a bridge in the Town of Newbold in Oneida County on DNR land. Mr. Swenson stated that there were easements with the DNR. The clerk from Newbold is checking to see if there is a written easement. No action was taken.

- g. **Update Concerning Road Limits and Yard Waste Collection Site:** Mr. Christensen stated that the road limits will be coming off at noon on Monday, May 6, 2019. Also, the yard waste facility will be open on Monday, May 6, 2019. Mr. Christensen also noted that the discussion of the Fern Ridge Parking Area on Forest Lane will have to continue since moving the yard waste facility to the old landfill site on Pedycourt Road would mean that if the yard facility were to be open 24/7 that the transfer station which is run by Eagle Waste would also have to be open 24/7 since the road runs past the transfer station. There would be nothing stopping people from dumping their garbage.

- h. **Closed Session – Adjourn to closed session in accordance with Section 19.85 (1) (c) of the Wisconsin Statutes to discuss Public Works Employees: (c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility:** Motion Christensen seconded Cooper that the meeting be adjourned into closed session at 8:47 by a roll call vote: Clark – Yes; Swenson – Yes; Cooper- Yes; Ritter – Yes; Christensen – Yes. Motion carried.

- i. **Reconvene to Open Session – Reconvene to open session to take such action as the Board deems appropriate, following consideration given in closed session:** Motion Cooper seconded Swenson that the meeting be reconvened into open session at 9:34 P.M. By a voice vote motion carried unanimously, Yes – 5, No – 0. No action was taken.

7. **Next Town Board Meeting Date – Regular Town Board Meeting, Monday, May 13, 2019.**

8. **Adjourn:** Mr. Christensen adjourned the meeting at 7:07 P.M

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