

TOWN OF DOVRE  
TOWN BOARD MEETING

The Town Board of the Town of Dovre met on Thursday, September 12, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. at the Dovre Town Hall located at 304 25 ½ Street to review and work on Driveway Applications and Road Inspections, as needed. The Regular Monthly Town Board Meeting for the Town of Dovre convened at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 12, 2013, at the Dovre Town Hall. Members present, Chairman Dean Trowbridge, - Supervisor, Tim Nelson – Supervisor, Dan North, - Supervisor, Jim Plummer - Supervisor Bruce Tegels – Clerk/Treasurer – Linda K. Reinolt. Others Present - Patrolman, Art Harelstad, Jr. and Assessor, Greg LaFond. There were approximately 14 Town of Dovre Residents and Guests present. Names of persons present at the meeting are available from the Clerk/Treasurer.

Chairman Dean Trowbridge called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call - Supervisors Present – Tim Nelson – Dan North - James Plummer and Bruce Tegels. and Clerk/Treasurer – Linda K. Reinolt.

Agenda – Motion by Nelson, seconded by Tegels to approve the Agenda as presented. No Discussion, Motion Carried, Unanimous Yes Vote.

Minutes of the August 13, 2013 Town Board Meeting, Financial Statement, Detailed Receipts & Disbursements and Reconciliation of Bank Statement Report for August 2013 were presented to the Town Board in typewritten form.

Motion by Nelson, seconded by North to Approve the Minutes of the August 13, 2013 Town Board Meeting, as printed. No Discussion, Motion Carried, Unanimous Vote.

Motion by Plummer, seconded by Trowbridge to Approve the Financial Statement Reports as of August 31, 2013. No Discussion, Motion Carried, Unanimous Vote.

Motion by Tegels, seconded by Nelson to approve the Reconciliation Report of the August 2013 Bank Statement, No Discussion, Motion Carried, Unanimous Vote.

Next Town Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 8, 2013 at the Dovre Town Hall at 7:00 pm. Town Board will meet at 6:00 p.m. for driveway and/or road inspections, as needed.

Greg LaFond, Assessor for the Town of Dovre addressed the Board and those present with regard to the Revaluation that he just completed for the Town of Dovre. He presented the Board with the required Assessors Comprehensive Report showing the Increase in Valuation. The Economic Impact of the Sand Mines for the Town of Dovre is very good for the Town, Chetek/Weyerhaeuser School District and Barron County and will impact the Mill Rates positively. He encouraged the Town not to decrease the Town Tax Levy for 2013 Property Taxes to be paid in 2014. Additional Monies received from the Sand Companies in January 2014 will be designated for Property Value Guarantees and will not affect the 2014 Budget Revenues. Supervisor Plummer thanked Greg for his presentation.

Motion by Plummer, seconded by Nelson to continue Snowplowing Driveways for Town of Dovre Residents for the 2013/2014 Winter Season. The Contract Cost will remain the same at \$100.00 for the Season and the Signed Contracts with Payment are to be mailed to the Clerk/Treasurer on or before October 15, 2013. All Driveways must meet the Specifications listed on the Snowplow Contract. No further Discussion, Motion Carried, Unanimous Vote.

Chairman Trowbridge reported that Attorney Thiel has created a Resolution with regard to Railroad Crossings in the Town of Dovre that need to be repaired by Progressive Rail Company. Per State Statute, the process is - The Resolution will be given to the Progressive Rail Company and if there is no compliance in 30 days the Resolution will then be sent to the State of Wisconsin Rail Road Commissioner. Motion by Nelson, seconded by North to Sign the Resolution regarding repair of the Railroad Crossings in the Town of Dovre, Barron Co. and begin the process. No further Discussion. Motion Carried, Unanimous Vote.

Arlene Hoveland reported she has not been able to make contact with Mr. Brown of the State Historical Society as of yet. Arlene stated that Jeff and Gail Olson, Wayne and Connie Olson, John and Karen Jorstad are interested in being on a committee to determine how and if the current Town Hall Building could be preserved and made into a Historical Site for Town of Dovre, if the electors vote to build a new Town Hall for the Town of Dovre. Jeff Olson stated he felt there was significance in keeping the building at the current site. This will be on the agenda for the October 8th Town Board Meeting.

Dan North read aloud the letter that Attorney Thiel composed to be sent to Residents with a Dwelling on property with property border between  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$  Mile distance to the border of Sand Mine or Sand Plant. The Board determined unanimously to send this letter to those qualified residents by certified mail. The cost will be \$3.56 per letter. The Mailing List of those residents has been put together by Dan North, Jim Plummer and Linda K. Reinolt. The list of 49 names and addresses was presented to the Board and was unanimously accepted by the Board as presented. Letters will be mailed to Residents on the list. They will not be sent to those residents who have already filed their Letter of Intent.

Chairman Trowbridge has been questioned as to if the Property Value Guarantee includes Superior Silica Sand. Attorney Thiel has stated previously that he does not think Superior Silica would be, as they Annexed into the Village of New Auburn. However when the Non Metallic Mining Ordinance was created they were still a part of the Town of Dovre. Supervisor Plummer suggested that the person or persons concerned about this should consult an Attorney.

Dovre Town Hall: Supervisor Tegels has blueprints that were drawn up to be looked at, but he feels there are many changes needed, such as needs to be 10 to 15 Feet longer, etc. Would like input on this. Plummer suggested parts of current Town Hall could be used in or on new building. Tegels said a new building would look as much like the current building as possible. This will be on the agenda for the October 8<sup>th</sup> Town Board Meeting.

Question from Cathy Albrecht: What should the Historical Committee be looking into with regard to the current Town Hall Building? Supervisor Plummer recommended getting info on possible use and how to implement it, etc. Need cost factors and maintenance costs, etc. The building would need to meet qualifications of State of WI and if any funding would be available.

Motion by Nelson seconded by Tegels to purchase a 2 door fireproof cabinet from MSC Industrial at a cost of \$799.00 plus shipping for the Town Shop. No further discussion, Motion Carried, Unanimous Vote.

Chairman Trowbridge has purchased 2 OSHA Approved Metal Containers for Storage of Fuel from Car Quest in Bloomer, WI for the Town Shop. Cost is \$76.00 per can.

Dovre Representative, Al Albrecht, on the New Auburn Area Fire Department Board reported he would have a report at the November Board Meeting.

Patrolman, Art Harelstad's Report: All of Dovre Roads have been rated and information has been submitted, per State of WI D.O.T. Barron County Highway Dept repaired 24  $\frac{3}{4}$  and 27<sup>th</sup> Street as they were damaged when being used as the alternate sand hauling routes. One or two Board Members and Patrolman will meet with Village of Sampson Representatives and Village of New Auburn regarding boundary discrepancies on roads. Need to order grader blades from Barron County Highway Dept. OK to order grader blades per Town Board.

Supervisor Jim Plummer attended the WTA Meeting on August 26, 2013 at Barron Justice Center. Speaker and discussion on Roads. Gave printed Information to other Board Members. Cost of Building Roads approximately \$160,000.00 per mile. Would like to continue with 2 miles of Road Improvement/Construction per year. Dovre has 56.45 Miles of Roads.

Driveway Permits: None

Building Inspector Report - None

October Meeting agenda items; Committee for preservation of current Town Hall Building; Discussion New Town Hall; Progressive Rail Company Railroad Crossings; Set Date for Budget Work Meeting and Budget Hearing with special Town Meeting of Electors.

Motion by Tegels to pay current bills as presented, seconded by North. No Discussion, Motion Carried, Unanimous Vote.

Public Comments: Al Albrecht reported that the dust problem from the sand trucks is getting better, seems to be more cooperation with Chieftain Sand Company. Mary Nietzel RE: Property Value Guarantee: Question to the Board. Property Value Guarantee is to help homeowners in the Town of Dovre to sell their homes if they meet the requirements. Would like the Board to consider doing something for those homeowners who decide to continue living in the Town of Dovre and are still affected by the Sand Companies, Sand Trucks, etc. Such as Money from the Royalties that will be paid to the Town from the Sand Companies. The Assessor is lowering valuations for homes directly affected by the Sand Companies.

Great Northern Sand LLC – Would like additional Signage on the hill by Barry Larson for Safety Reasons – Blind Spot. Board will address this matter.

Great Northern Sand LLC has become part of the “Adopt a Highway Project”. They will be taking care of County Hwy SS from County Hwy AA to Hwy M. They will be doing this on May 1<sup>st</sup> and October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

Motion by Nelson to adjourn the Town Board Meeting, seconded by North, Motion Carried.

Linda K. Reinolt, Clerk/Treasurer  
Town of Dovre, Barron County