

TOWN OF DOVRE
TOWN BOARD MEETING

The Dovre Town Board met at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday March 8, 2016 at the Dovre Town Hall located at 304 25 ½ Street for a Town Board Meeting. 11 Town of Dovre Residents and Guests signed in and were present. Names of persons present at the meeting are on file with the Clerk/Treasurer.

Chairman Dean Trowbridge called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll call: Supervisors – Al Nyhagen – James Plummer – Mitch Hanson – Dan North and Chairman Dean Trowbridge are all present. Also Present - Clerk/Treasurer – Kelly Phillips; Consultant – Greg LaFond, Patrolman Art Harelstad, Jr. and Attorney Terry Dunst

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Nyhagen second by Trowbridge to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.

1. Public Input
 - a. Residents – none
 - b. Land owners – Mr. Nelson reports on 1st Avenue heading East between 5:30 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. every morning there are a few vehicles driving by and at least one is not adhering to the speed limit; requesting a monitor or light; Chairman Trowbridge will contact the Sheriff's Department
 - c. Steve Coon – received a notice from Barron County of a public hearing for a revision to Great Northern's reclamation plan and will dredge in the water table and wants to know who to contact to find out more information; Supervisor Plummer suggested to contact David Gifford at Barron County; Chairman Trowbridge said the public notice letter was for the hearing and there should be discussion there
 - d. Mary Nietzel asked what methods of mining will be used and if they need to be included in the reports presented at the hearing
2. Town Patrolman Report
 - a. Driveway Permits - none
3. Building Inspector Report - None
4. Approve Minutes of February 9, 2016 Meeting: Motion by North second by Nyhagen to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.
5. Financial Report: Motion by Trowbridge second by North to approve the financial report as presented. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.
6. Treasurer's Report: Motion by Nyhagen second by North to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.
7. Set Date for Next Meeting: April 12, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. for the regular monthly meeting and April 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. for the annual meeting
8. Old Business
 - a. Discuss air quality and decibel sampling and possible purchase of decibel meter
 - i. Chairman Trowbridge said air quality sampling is out of the town's hands due to the expense and had send out information on decibel meters for the board to review. Chairman Trowbridge suggested to purchase the decibel meter for \$250.75; The board discussed the different types of meters available; Motion by

North second by Nyhagen to purchase the Amprove SN10 class 10 unit from Grainger for \$250.75. Roll call vote – Trowbridge – Yes; Nyhagen – Yes; North – Yes; Plummer – Yes; Hanson – Yes. Motion carried.

- b. Discussion and possible action on Town of Dovre PVG payment to Lois North. The amount of payment should be \$8,500.00 based on the calculation presented by Consultant LaFond; Attorney Dunst says that Lois inherited the property upon Douglas North's death and that is who the check should be written to; Chairman Trowbridge says as soon as the town gets a W-9 from Lois North and if the board approves the payment, it will be made; Motion by Nyhagen second by Plummer to issue a PVG payment to Lois North upon receipt of a W-9. Roll call vote – Trowbridge – Yes. Nyhagen – Yes; North – Abstain; Plummer – Yes; Hanson – Yes. Motion carried.
- c. Discuss and consider items related to James North property and PVG program requirements; Supervisor North recused himself and moved to the audience
 - i. Waiver of well and septic inspection requirement; Supervisor Hanson asked when the last time the septic was pumped and an inspection would have been turned in to Barron County and that inspections are required every three years anyway; James North said he will get an inspection; no action on the waiver of well/septic inspection
 - ii. Waiver of time limit for PVG eligibility and payment; the expiration date program is dated 05/06/16 and was in the past resolution and is the same date in the current resolution for Superior Silica's annexation. Attorney Dunst suggests if the board grants an extension it should be for all properties eligible for the Superior Silica PVG program. Consultant LaFond says there are possibly 6-8 properties that may be affected by a change in the extension; Motion by Nyhagen second by Hanson to leave the expiration date at 05/06/16; Chairman Trowbridge asked if there was any further discussion; no further discussion by the board; Supervisor North recused himself from the vote. Motion carried
- d. Old town hall update
 - i. Karin Jorstad – pretty quiet for the past few weeks; Mrs Gabbard is out of town; heard from Senator Janet Bewley who asked to come see the town hall a few weeks ago and thought it was in good shape and is enthused about the preservation; Ms. Jorstad believes the Senator may provide funding; Chairman Trowbridge is concerned that this might affect the motions that have been made at past meetings; Supervisor Hanson asked if the senator could contact the chairman to share her observations and ideas
- e. Discussion of committee formed for insurance policy renewal discussion
 - i. Chairman Trowbridge asked for volunteers to be on the committee for insurance policy renewals; Supervisor Nyhagen and Supervisor Plummer will volunteer to review the proposals
- f. Discussion on continuation of plowing private driveways
 - i. Chairman Trowbridge wants to know if the board is comfortable continuing plowing driveways; Supervisor North asked if this was the first year there has been a problem; Supervisor Nyhagen said the town shouldn't run the expensive equipment into the woods and are taking work away from private plow companies; Motion by Nyhagen to discontinue plowing private driveways and send a letter to the residents with other options for plowing; no second.

- g. New Auburn and Chetek fire department discussion
 - i. Chairman Trowbridge had a discussion with the New Auburn Fire Department and is waiting for paperwork from the Chetek Fire Department and will put it on the agenda for discussion next month when all of the paperwork is received
 - h. NIS haul route discussion
 - i. Chairman Trowbridge and Supervisor Plummer talked to Larry McGlumphy with Northern Industrial Sand about their alternates and Mr. McGlumphy was going to talk to Mr. Servi at Barron County; the board has not heard back about the haul route decision from Northern Industrial Sand; Motion by Hanson second by North to advise Northern Industrial Sand the board requests they use County SS to their new road as the route. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.
9. New Business
- a. Discussion and possible action for purchase of grader tires
 - i. Chairman Trowbridge said the grader will be kept for about 3 years; Supervisor Hanson said Michelin state pricing with rebate and Pomp's Tire rebate would come to \$1,327.72 per tire plus mounting and the town could list the current tires for sale; the newer tires may also help with the resale value of the grader when the time comes to sell; Motion by Nyhagen second by plummer to buy the grader tires from Pomp's at a cost of \$1,327.72 each plus mounting. Roll call vote – Trowbridge – yes; Nyhagen – Yes; North – Yes; Plummer – Yes; Hanson – Yes. Motion carried.
 - b. Discussion and possible action on LeMoine PVG payment in the amount of \$21,000.00
 - i. Chairman Trowbridge says the sale has been completed and the W-9 has been brought in; Motion by North second by Nyhagen to pay the PVG payment of \$21,000.00 to Bob and Julie LeMoine. Roll call vote – Trowbridge – Abstain; Nyhagen – Yes; North – Yes; Plummer – Yes; Hanson – Yes. Motion carried.
 - c. Discuss potential amendments to Great Northern and NIS Operations Agreements and Resolutions
 - i. Consultant LaFond says that the town has restated agreements with Chieftain and suggests for consistency and fairness the board offer the same changes to Great Northern Sand and Northern Industrial Sand; motion by Trowbridge second by North for Attorney Dunst to draft a letter and operations agreement to the two sand companies with the proposed changes. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.
 - d. Discussion on upcoming road projects
 - i. Patrolman Harlestad rates the roads every year and enters it into a program provided by the state which then recommends any repairs or construction. For the upcoming year there are two options that could be done
 - 1. Plan (A) 12 miles of chip sealing as recommended by the state program
 - 2. Plan (B) complete reconstruction of 29th street – pulverizing, gravel, blacktop, shouldering and striping
 - ii. Motion by North second by Hanson to prepare a bid proposal for “Plan (B)” and see if there are any funds left for other projects this year. Roll call vote – Trowbridge – Yes; Nyhagen – Yes; North – Yes; Plummer – Yes; Hanson – Yes. Motion carried.

- iii. Patrolman report – talked to Aaron Kent at Great Northern Sand about crack filling on their haul route and will put out for a bid for the repairs
 - 1. Road bans went up last Friday and Monday
 - 2. Picked up some steel posts
 - 3. One lift cylinder for belly scraper was repaired
 - 4. Opened up a frozen culvert today
 - e. Discussion on upcoming Board of Review
 - i. Assessor is ready but is waiting for the state; the board of review is scheduled for May 21, 2016 from 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.
 - f. Discussion on Quinlan Thomas property
 - i. Chairman Trowbridge and Attorney Dunst report there has been no communications between the town and Mr. Thomas or the attorney and Mr. Thomas. There are contingencies on his offers to purchase the property which make them invalid; Mr. Thomas has retained legal representation so Attorney Dunst has sent the attorney an e-mail message but has not received a response; there is nothing the board can do at this time
 - g. Convene into closed session; motion by Trowbridge second by Nyhagen to convene into closed session and invite Consultant LaFond, Attorney Dunst and Clerk/Treasurer Kelly Phillips. Roll call vote – Trowbridge – Yes; Nyhagen – Yes; North – Yes; Plummer – Yes; Hanson – Yes. Motion carried.
 - i. The board will consider convening into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1) (f) and (g) for purposes of conferring with legal counsel for the town regarding oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the town board with respect to possible litigation and discussion of allegations of specific persons which, if discussed in public would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the person’s reputation.
 - h. Reconvene into open session; Motion by North second by Trowbridge to reconvene into open session. Roll call vote – Trowbridge – Yes; Nyhagen – Yes; North – Yes; Plummer – Yes; Hanson – Yes; Motion carried. No action taken.

10. Reports

- a. Fire & Ambulance Report
 - a. Fire – nothing
 - b. Ambulance - nothing
- b. Board Member Reports
 - a. Supervisor Nyhagen – nothing
 - b. Supervisor North – Kent Cramer complained about drifting snow on 6th avenue and peeled some plastic off his truck; the drifting was taken care of; there is a new 4-H director at Barron County; went to a zoning committee meeting; took the town emergency operations agreement to the County so they have it on file
 - c. Supervisor Plummer – attended the WTA meeting; the road projects keep changing and it bothers him there are no funds and would like to look at the budget to see if there are any other funds available
 - d. Supervisor Hanson – nothing
 - e. Chairman Trowbridge – Chris Carlson passed away and the town sent flowers

11. Other Administrative Matters

- a. Authorize Payment of Bills; motion by Trowbridge second by North to pay bills. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.
- b. Next Meeting Agenda Items
 - a. Old Town Hall Update
 - b. Discussion on continuation of plowing private driveways
 - c. New Auburn and Chetek fire department discussion
 - d. 2016 Road Projects
 - e. Discussion about replacement of old patrol truck
 - f. Discussion by committee about insurance proposals
 - g. Closed session – Weld Riley & Insurance
 - h. NIS haul route update

12. Adjournment: Motion by Hanson second by North to adjourn at 8:52 p.m. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.

Minutes are not official until approved by the board at the next meeting

Kelly Phillips
Clerk/Treasurer
Town of Dovre Barron County