

TOWN OF DOVRE
TOWN BOARD MEETING

The Dovre Town Board met at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday April 12, 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 –James Plummer – Mitch Hanson – Dan North and Chairman Dean Trowbridge are all present. Supervisor Al Nyhagen was absent. Also Present - Clerk/Treasurer – Kelly Phillips; Consultant – Greg LaFond and Patrolman Art Harelstad, Jr.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda: Motion by North second by Trowbridge to approve the agenda as presented.
Motion carried.

1. Public Input
 - a. Tim Nelson – the town website shows a resolution approved in August of 2015 stating something would need to be done with the old town hall within 60 days but the building is still standing and he is wondering what the status is. Mr. Nelson encourages the board to let the residents decide at the annual meeting or add it to the election this fall and find out what the majority says; Supervisor North says June is the drop dead date and the town has budgeted \$5,500 to move or tear it down
 - b. Jim Heerey – sees that snowplowing private driveways is on the agenda; will something be decided on that tonight or will it be brought up at the annual meeting when more residents are present? The residents of the town have invested in the equipment and they should get the most utilization out of it
2. Building Inspector Report - None
3. Approve Minutes of March 8, 2016 Meeting: Motion by North second by Trowbridge to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.
4. Financial Report: Motion by Trowbridge second by Hanson to approve the financial report as presented. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.
5. Treasurer's Report: Motion by North second by Trowbridge to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried, unanimous yes vote.
6. Set Date for Next Meeting: May 10, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. for the regular monthly meeting with road inspections at 5:00 p.m.
7. Open 2016 Road Project bids
 - a. Chairman Trowbridge opened the sealed bids received for the following projects:
 - i. Crack filling the Great Northern Sand route: Bids were received by Fahrner, Barron County, Elite Seal, Superior Sealers and Scott's Construction. Bids were read aloud – discussion by the board. Motion by North second by Plummer to accept the sealed bid from Barron County for the crack filling for a total of

\$1,313.20. Roll call vote – Trowbridge – Yes; Nyhagen – Absent; North – Yes; Plummer – Yes; Hanson – Abstain. Motion carried.

- ii. 29th street reconstruction: Bids were received by Monarch Paving, Barron County and Senn Blacktop. Bids were read aloud – discussion by the board. Motion by North second by Trowbridge to accept the sealed bid for the 29th street reconstruction from Monarch for hot mix for a total of \$222,334.44. Roll call vote – Trowbridge – Yes; Nyhagen – Absent; North – Yes; Plummer – Yes; Hanson – Abstain. Motion carried.

8. Town Patrolman Report

- a. Got the sweeper from the Barron County Highway Department and should be able to finish cleaning up the roads tomorrow; need to order some soft oil (5 loads) due to all the breakups on the roads from the weather; Lameback Lane is having some issues and parts of it need to be dug up; Road bans will come off April 18th; The Town of Sioux Creek patrolman called and wanted to know if Sioux Creek and Dovre could work together trading labor and equipment; the board will add it to the agenda for discussion at the May regular town meeting
- b. Driveway Permits
 - i. WE Energy – no payment, not approved at this time
 - ii. Pless Hodges – application and payment received. Motion by Trowbridge second by North to approve the driveway permit. Motion carried.
 - iii. Robert Fischer – application and payment received. Motion by North second by Plummer to approve the driveway permit. Motion carried.
 - iv. Bryce Harelstad – application and payment received. Motion by Trowbridge second by North to approve the driveway permit. Motion carried.
- c. Heerey driveway
 - i. The board approved the permit for the driveway down the hill last fall and now he wants to know if the board will reconsider and approve the driveway at the top of the hill. The board will table until the next meeting for roads at 5pm and add to the agenda for discussion

9. Old Business

- a. Old Town Hall Update – no one was available for the meeting to present; Supervisor Plummer reported there is nothing new except they are waiting for Senator Bewley to get back to them; the Chairman has not heard from the Senator yet as the board requested at the March meeting
- b. Discussion on continuation of plowing private driveways – Chairman Trowbridge agrees that the discussion should be brought up at the annual meeting; Supervisor North read Wisconsin State Statue 86.105 and the direction is not clear as to if plowing is permitted; the board will request an opinion from Attorney Dunst as to the interpretation of the statute; resident Steve Coon asked why this topic keeps coming up and why doesn't the town want to plow private driveways; Supervisor Plummer wants to know if the town has an obligation to its residents who pay taxes to provide this service
- c. New Auburn and Chetek fire department discussion

- i. The Chairman has not heard anything from any of the departments; Consultant Lafond presented a summary of a fire district survey for the board to review
- d. Discussion about replacement of old patrol truck
 - i. Patrolman Harelstad was wondering if the board was considering replacing the old patrol truck and that it would take nine months for production after ordering a new one; Chairman Trowbridge asked if anyone on the board will look at pricing; Supervisor Hanson and Supervisor Plummer will work with Patrolman Harelstad for pricing and options and present recommendations at the May monthly board meeting
- e. Discussion by committee about insurance proposals
 - i. Supervisor Nyhagen and Supervisor Plummer met with Rural Mutual and Indianhead Insurance and there was little difference in the proposals; motion by Trowbridge second by Plummer to accept the Indianhead Insurance proposal. Roll call vote – Trowbridge – Yes; Nyhagen – Absent; North – Yes; Plummer – Yes; Hanson – Yes. Motion carried.
- f. NIS haul route update: There has been nothing brought to the board and it is expected to be addressed during their presentation at the annual meeting
- g. Update on status of audit report
 - i. The clerk reports the draft was signed and sent back to auditor and will have copies of the final report by the annual meeting

10. New Business

- a. Set date for spring cleanup: Motion by Trowbridge second by North to set the Spring Cleanup for Saturday May 21 and Sunday May 22, 2016. Motion carried.
- b. Discuss ATV Route amendment: The Chetek Cruzers requested an addition to the current ATV route. This will be a route leading to the trails and the landowners will be paying for the signs. Supervisor North asked if the Cruzers had approved the previous additions yet and suggests waiting on approval of this amendment until the board can get an answer. The amendment is tabled until the next meeting and the board will request a presentation from the Cruzers
- c. Right Of Way Letters: The letters should be sent out to residents and Attorney Dunst will be consulted as to the addition of a penalty for planting in the right of way
- d. Discussion on new location for town flag pole
 - i. Supervisor North looked at the property to see where they could move the flag pole so it would be in front of the new town hall instead of the back. It could be placed out front by the driveway and he knows someone who would donate a flagpole. Motion by Trowbridge second by Hanson to mount the flag at the corner of the building with the donation of a flagpole. Motion carried.
- e. Discussion and possible action on Barron County Joint Powers Agreement
 - i. Motion by North second by Plummer to sign the joint powers agreement. Motion carried.
- f. Discuss posting an ad for the sale of the grader tires
 - i. Discussion of posting the grader tires for sale online and the board directs the clerk to research wisconsin surplus.com

- g. Convene into closed session: Motion by Trowbridge second by North to convene into closed session and invite Consultant LaFond and Clerk/Treasurer Kelly Phillips. Roll call vote – Trowbridge – Yes; Nyhagen – Absent; North – Yes; Plummer – Yes; Hanson – Yes. Motion carried.
 - i. The board will consider convening into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1) (e) to discuss negotiation strategies with respect to Weld Riley over a disputed billing matter.
 - h. Reconvene into open session: Motion by Trowbridge second by North to reconvene into open session. Roll call vote – Trowbridge – Yes; Nyhagen – Absent; North – Yes; Plummer – Yes; Hanson – Yes. Motion carried. No action taken.
11. Reports
- a. Fire & Ambulance Report
 - a. Supervisor Plummer - nothing
 - b. Supervisor Hanson – Chetek Ambulance is working on rewriting the bylaws; the Town of Big Bend asked to join Chetek ambulance and the committee is reviewing their request
 - b. Board Member Reports
 - a. Supervisor Nyhagen – absent
 - b. Supervisor North - Barron County open house on April 14; lost county election by 29 votes
 - c. Supervisor Plummer – a resident reported chatting during the election at the town hall
 - d. Supervisor Hanson – nothing
 - e. Chairman Trowbridge - nothing
12. Other Administrative Matters
- a. Authorize Payment of Bills
 - a. Motion by North second by Plummer to authorize the payment of the bills. Roll call vote – Trowbridge – Yes; Nyhagen – Absent; North – Yes; Plummer – Yes; Hanson – Yes. Motion carried.
 - b. Next Meeting Agenda Items
 - a. Labor/equipment sharing with Sioux Creek
 - b. Heerey driveway
 - c. Discuss request for bids for demolition and reclamation of existing old town hall site
 - d. Discussion on continuation of plowing private driveways
 - e. Discussion by committee about replacement of old patrol truck
 - f. ATV routes – map and presentation by Chetek Cruzers
13. Adjournment
- a. Motion by Trowbridge second by North to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried.

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

Kelly Phillips
 Clerk/Treasurer
 Town of Dovre Barron County

