

**Regular Board Meeting**  
**Monday, February 21, 2011**

Call to Order by Chairman David Rakowski at 6:30 p.m. Present were Supervisor Rodney Gretzon, Supervisor Doug Kostreva, Treasurer Karen Enix and Pam Duddek. Clerk. Attending the meeting were twenty (20) residents.

Minutes for the January 17th board meeting, January 24<sup>th</sup> special meeting and February 7, 2011 Board of Audit were read by the clerk. A motion was made by Gretzon to accept all the above minutes with the addition of the December 2010 cash balance to the January 17<sup>th</sup> minutes. The motion was seconded by Kostreva. Motion carried.

Clerk's Report was read by Duddek.

Financial Report for January 2011. Enix stated she did not receive the list of bills from the clerk. Gretzon made a motion requiring the treasurer to complete the January 2011 financial report within the next seven days and have it available for approval at the March regular board meeting. Motion seconded by Kostreva and carried. The treasurer read a report listing duties performed in the month of February.

Fire Department Report was given by John Fetterly, Fire Chief. The department had a slow month. The GPS units have been installed. Both departments are now connected to the towns CenturyLink internet service. Fetterly introduced himself at the Town of Bagley board meeting, advising them of some issues with the fire department.

Rescue Squad Report. Nothing.

Oconto County Board of Adjustments and Zoning. No public hearings scheduled.

Brazeau Plan Commission-Next meeting Wednesday, March 16, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. There may be two issues that need to be brought before the commission.

Correspondence was considered.

Public Comments – Michael Luebke announced that a group of citizens were putting on a Candidate Forum for Town of Brazeau electors to come meet the candidates. The forum will be held at the Brazeau Town Hall on Wednesday, March 30, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. Letters will be sent to all candidates inviting them to attend. Letters will also be sent to Town of Brazeau electors inviting them to attend also.

*Old Business.*

Tank Lane Project Update. Nothing new to report. Tabled.

Delinquent Mobile Home Park Fees for Linda Sheve & James Kobus. Nothing new to report. Tabled.

Pickerel Lake Access Update. A six (6) member jury trial date has been set for November 8th & 9th, 2011 with Judge Miron, Marinette County. Tabled.

Class B Alcoholic Beverage License Surrender by Patrick Pashouwer, Klondike Saloon. Patrick Pashouwer surrendered his alcohol beverage license to the Town of Brazeau on February 8, 2011. Kenneth L Behnke Sr was granted the license at the November 15, 2010 board meeting pending the surrender of Mr. Pashouwer's license to the Town of Brazeau. The clerk could not issue the license because Mr. Behnke failed to produce a valid Wisconsin Sellers Permit and there were other issues with the Wis. Dept. of Revenue prohibiting the clerk from issuing the license. Mr. Behnke's Klondike Saloon must remain closed until these issues are resolved.

Rost Lake Association-DNR Fish Stick Project. Gary Zietlow was present to discuss the project. There is a strip of land north of the Rost Lake boat landing that could be town property. If this land is owned by the Town of Brazeau they would like to develop a fish habitat at the site.

Rakowski will check with the county to determine ownership.

Treasurers Mileage Reimbursement. The treasurers December and February mileage reimbursement was discussed. Rakowski believes the treasurer's mileage reimbursement requests are excessive. Rakowski was unable to meet with Enix privately. He had questions as to why she was banking in Oconto Falls, twenty six (26) miles and sometimes in Gillett, forty-two (42) miles. The closest Peshtigo National Bank is in Coleman, about sixteen miles away. Ms. Enix

stated she prefers to bank in the county where she lives. Ms. Enix questioned the clerks December mileage request and passed around ten copies to some attendees. She also asked why the clerk purchases office supplies from Miller Action Supply in Menominee, MI. After some heated discussion Kostreva suggested the town board eliminate mileage reimbursements for all officials and emergency service members. He has never requested mileage reimbursement. Rakowski & Gretzon request mileage reimbursement on rare occasions. The clerk stated she would remove her February mileage request from the current list of bills. Ms. Enix' request for mileage of \$310.08 was paid. The mileage reimbursement policy will be reviewed at the March meeting. Tabled.

New Business.

Web Design, Shane Taylor. Rakowski had price information from Mr. Taylor. The setup price would be \$600.00 and the annual maintenance fee would be \$325.00. Tabled.

Bartenders License for Cheryl Meyer. Ms. Meyer was available to answer any questions. After reviewing the application and back ground check Kostreva made a motion to approve the issuance of a bartender's license to Cheryl Meyer, seconded by Rakowski. Motion carried. Gretzon abstained.

Fire Department Ladder Bid. A request for sealed bids for an old fire department ladder was published in the Peshtigo Times and Oconto County Times Herald. One bid of \$50.00 was received from John Fetterly. A motion was made by Kostreva to accept the \$50.00 bid for a 25 year old ladder from John Fetterly. The motion was seconded by Gretzon and carried.

Amendment to LOSA Award System. The previous agreement had an incorrect age in paragraph IV. The age should read "age 60" on the last line. A motion was made by Rakowski to accept a correction to the age limit from "age 65 to age 60". The motion was seconded by Kostreva and carried.

Assessment issues with Brian Ermis. Mr. Ermis was not in attendance.

Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation Waiver for Lee Lake Public Landing # 1. The board was presented Resolution # 1-2011 Lee Lake Public Access # 1 Exemption to 66' Right of Way. After some discussion a motion was made by Gretzon to adopt Resolution # 1-2011 and send a request for an exemption to the 66' right of way. The motion was seconded by Kostreva. Motion carried.

**Resolution # 1-2011**

**Lee Lake Public Access # 1 Exemption to 66' Right of Way**

WHEREAS, this road was laid out by Oconto County in the 1940's, and the Town of Brazeau took ownership of said road by Quit Claim Deed recorded on December 30, 2010. The Town of Brazeau was unaware of Oconto Counties ownership of this road and has been maintaining it since about 1946, and

WHEREAS, this road gives access to Lee Lake and several vacation properties with limited opportunity for expansion, and

WHEREAS, Section 82.18 Width of Highways of the Wisconsin Statutes permits the Department of Transportation to approve deviations from the standards in cases where the strict application of the standards are impractical and where such deviation is not contrary to the public interest and safety and the intent of this position.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Brazeau Town Board of Supervisors; they request that the District Director of the Green Bay Office of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation accept this road as meeting the "under 100 ADT" standard of a 49.5 ft. right of way; or it is found to be slightly over these standards, give a variance of the 66 ft. requirement for this existing road.

Adopted this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2011

Discuss a Contingency Fund. This contingency fund is for future equipment purchases. The rescue squad is in need of a new vehicle. The towns December cash on hand balance is

\$268,222.41. Currently there is \$30,000 in our contingency fund. Rakowski suggested the board set aside an additional \$40,000 in this fund, increasing the balance to \$70,000. A motion was made by Gretzon to increase the contingency fund by \$70,000. The motion was seconded by Kostreva and carried.

Emergency Services Building Fund. The board discussed an emergency services building fund account where donations could be placed for a specific building project. A motion was made by Kostreva to establish an Emergency Services Building Fund Account at Peshtigo National Bank, seconded by Gretzon. Motion carried.

Waste Hauling Contract. Mountain Disposal has been bought by Julie Schaal. The new name of the company is JNS Enterprises. The board would like to review the current contract and seek bids from other haulers. A motion was made by Kostreva to accept the name of JNS Enterprises, seconded by Gretzon. Motion carried.

Amend May 2010 minutes to include the clerk's statement. The clerk made a personal statement at the May 2010 meeting that should have been part of those minutes. Kostreva made a motion to amend the May 2010 regular board meeting minutes to include the clerk's personal statement, seconded by Gretzon. Motion carried.

March board meeting date change. Rakowski has a conflict with the March 21, 2011 board meeting date. A motion was made by Gretzon to change the March town board meeting to Saturday, March 19, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at the Brazeau Town Hall, seconded by Kostreva. Motion carried.

Bills were presented for approval and paid.

A call for adjournment was made by Gretzon, seconded by Kostreva. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Pam Duddek, Clerk