

Town of Brazeau – Regular Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, January 17, 2012

Call to Order: Chairman Wendt called meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Darrell Enix, James Hanna, Ryan Wendt. Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance: Chairman Wendt led the pledge of allegiance.

Agenda: James Hanna moved to approve the agenda as presented. Second of motion by Darrell Enix.

Vote: Enix-yes, Hanna-yes, Wendt-yes. Motion carried.

Minutes of December 20, 2011: Darrell Enix moved to accept the minutes with one change on page three under caption: Notice of Circumstances of Claim, that the word project to be stricken. Second of motion by James Hanna. Vote: Enix-yes, Hanna-yes, Wendt-yes. Motion carried

REPORTS:

Financial Report: Clerk Grosse read the financial report prepared by Treasurer Karen Enix. Page three disbursements for December 2011 \$45,750.05, revenue \$6,962.39, advanced taxes collected \$1,232,368.26, cash on hand as of December 31, 2011 \$1,264,373.72. Clerk stated she has reconciled with the treasurer.

Rescue Squad Report: Sue Kanack stated that squad unit #2 had maintenance conducted this month. Brazeau Squad has been invited by the Mountain Rescue Squad for snowmobile incident training. Brazeau Rescue Squad had 5 calls and 3 transports.

Fire Department Report: Chief John Fetterly stated that 5 members of the fire department are retiring. Firefighters will be attending a volume of training in February and March as much as 3 nights per week.

Clerk's Report: Clerk completed two required 2011 training sessions with the Brazeau's poll workers. She stated she is preparing for Spring Primary on Feb. 21st, 2012. Clerk will be attending training at courthouse on Jan. 18th. She is presently working on all year end reports and will be starting the State Municipal Financial CT Report.

Public Comments:

Keith Taylor: Taylor spoke in regards to Pickeral Lake public walkway. He feels a survey should be executed and the pathway needs signage stating No Motorized Vehicles on Pathway. Also, individuals have been pushing snow onto the pathway limiting walking.

Jim Kuchenbecker, Sr.: Mr. Kuchenbecker stated there should be tax collection hours in December since individuals like to pay their taxes prior to year end. There also should be tax collection hours in January.

Gale Wogsland: Mr. Wogsland stated the lot where the landing extends to the public walkway on Pickeral Lake should be marked better. Since the town has taken responsibility of ownership it needs to identify what is private and what is public and where the lines are.

Mark Harrison: No comment.

Joel Lavarda: No comment.

Nicole Renier : No comment.

Mike Luebke: No comment.

Irv Cumming: Mr. Cumming commented on Birchwood Lane where his property is and the removal of his property stakes.

Howard Weier: No comment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

M&O Surveying and Assessing – Jerry Pillath

Pillath distributed material received from the Department of Revenue on notice of assessment training. Pillath informed the town board that the town has been out of compliance for the last four years in the classification entitled undeveloped, agricultural, forest and wildlife lands. In 2012 the town will need to execute an adjustment so the value of this property class to fall within the 10% criteria. Pillath proposes the 2012 Board of Review for the Town of Brazeau be held in September due to the timeline of receipt of relative information from the Department of Revenue. Pillath also stated that the Wisconsin Department of Revenue is developing a Uniform Standard of Professional Appraisal Practices and assessors will be receiving a template shortly.

Cell phones highway/road maintenance employees & town plan: Board members reviewed data received from Jim Wegner of the Suring Cellcom store. Clerk stated that since the data was received the Fire Department decided to drop their cell phone from the town plan. Darrell Enix moved to remain with the existing Cellcom plan and purchase three phones at \$79.95 each less the \$25.00 discount per phone. James Hanna seconded the motion. Vote: Enix-yes, Hanna-yes, Wendt-yes. Motion carried.

Employee Grievance Procedure per Wis. Act 10: Chairman Wendt has contacted WTA attorney Carol Nowracki in regards to the grievance procedure to which she stated you do not have to state who the town will be using as a hearing officer. Chairman Wendt paraphrased it should state: “Hearing officer”: means the impartial hearing officer required pursuant to s. 66.0509(1m)(d)2, Wis. Stat. The hearing officer will be selected by the Town of Brazeau Board at the time of need. Under the section Hearing officer fee it was decided to remove last line of the paragraph in the template.

Darrell Enix moved to adopt Employee Grievance Procedure Resolution 1-2012 with the two changes noted. James Hanna seconded the motion. Vote: Enix-yes, Hanna-yes, Wendt-yes. Motion carried.

EMPLOYEE GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE RESOLUTION 1-2012

Whereas s. 66.0509(1m), Wis. Stat. requires local government units to adopt an Employee Grievance Procedure:

Whereas the Town of Brazeau, Oconto County, Wisconsin has thoughtfully considered this requirement and prepared an employee grievance procedure that contains the required elements;

Now, therefore be it resolved, that the town board of the Town of Brazeau, Oconto County, Wisconsin adopts the attached employee grievance procedure pursuant to s. 66.0509(1m) Wis. Stats.

Adopted the 17th day of January, 2012. Signed by all board members and posted in the town’s designated three locations.

Disposal of Fire Department Pagers: Board members reviewed offer of purchase from UCC Wireless Communication to purchase pagers for \$400.00. Chief Fetterly stated he had a conversation with Len Speeno from UCC wireless Communication. Darrell Enix moved to approve the purchase of Fire Department pagers from UCC Wireless Communication at \$400. James Hanna seconded the motion. Vote: Enix-yes, Hanna-yes, Wendt-yes. Motion carried.

MABAS – Rescue Squad billing and resolution: James Hanna moved to approve the initial membership of \$100 and 2012 dues of \$25.00. Darrell Enix seconded the motion. Vote: Enix-yes, Hanna-yes, Wendt-yes. Motion carried.

Pickeral Lake Walkway Access possible survey:

Darrell Enix moved to seek bids for resurveying of public walkway on Pickerel Lake. Second of motion by James Hanna. Vote: Enix-yes, Hanna-yes, Wendt-yes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Planning Commission & Land Use: Mike Luebke, commissioner, presented data from the planning commission on the Chad & Nicole Renier conditional use and rezone requests as well as the Scott Thomson, conditional use for his limestone quarry.

- a. Chad & Nicole Renier – conditional use request with 6 established conditions. Darrell Enix moved to approve the conditional use for Chad & Nicole Renier. Second of motion by James Hanna. Vote: Enix-yes, Hanna-yes, Wendt-yes. Motion carried.
- b. Chad & Nicole Renier – rezone from residential to neighborhood commercial. Darrell Enix moved to approve the rezone for Chad & Nicole Renier. Second of motion by James Hanna. Vote: Enix-yes, Hanna-yes, Wendt-yes. Motion carried.
- c. Scott Thomson – conditional use of limestone quarry. Darrell Enix moved to approve Scott Thomson conditional use. Second of motion by James Hanna. Vote: Enix-yes, Hanna-yes, Wendt-yes. Motion carried.

Birchwood Lane: Board viewed survey from 11-1-2010; part of government Lot 1 of Section 32, Township 30 North, Range 19 East, Town of Brazeau. Darrell Enix moved to table. James Hanna seconded the motion. Vote: Enix-yes, Hanna-yes, Wendt-yes. Motion carried.
Rural Mutual Insurance presentation by Norb Stauber: Mr. Stauber explained the existing coverage that the town has with Rural Mutual. Stauber informed board that bonds coming due April 2012-Brazeau Fire Department \$154.00 and Dive team \$125.00. Board advised Norb Stauber that they would like a quote for Fire Department, Rescue Squad and Dive Team coverage.
Item to Dispose of Fire Department – Drop Tank: Fire Department has drop tank removed from old tender. Fire Chief Fetterly stated that he has a request of purchase from a small fire department in the amount of \$200.00. Darrell Enix moved to sell drop tank for \$200.00 to the noted buyer. James Hanna seconded the motion. Vote: Enix-yes, Hanna-yes, Wendt-yes. Motion carried.

Wage Vouchers: Ryan Wendt moved to approve wage vouchers for January 2012. Second of motion by James Hanna. Vote: Wendt-yes, Enix-yes, Hanna-yes. Motion carried.

General Vouchers: James Hanna moved to approve general vouchers for January 2012. Second of motion by Darrell Enix. Vote: Enix-yes, Hanna-yes, Wendt-yes. Motion carried.

Next meeting: Next regular board meeting will be Wednesday, February 22, 2012 due to Primary Election on February 21st falling on the third Tuesday of the month.

Next month's agenda request by Darrell Enix. Enix would like Parkway and Old Highway 64 road projects published so sealed bids can be opened at next regular board meeting.

Adjournment: James Hanna moved to adjourn. Second of motion by Darrell Enix. Vote: Hanna-yes, Enix-yes, Wendt-yes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Jean Grosse, Clerk

