

Minutes - TOWN OF RED CEDAR

The monthly Town Board meeting was held at the Red Cedar Town Hall, E6591 627th Avenue, Menomonie, WI on Monday, December 12, 2016, at 6:30 p.m.

1. Call to order/roll call. At 6:30 p.m., the Town Chairman, Pete Prochnow, called the monthly town board meeting to order. Present were board members Deb Gotlibson, Bob Cook, Dave Leach, and Doug Miller. Also present were Clerk, Cheryl Miller, and Treasurer, Jill Haldeman.
2. Public Comments. None.
3. Business:
 - (a) Adopt and enact Ordinance No. 2016-20 (granting to 24-7 Telcom, Inc. and its affiliate, Celect Communications, LLC, the non-exclusive right to provide transmission and distribution of video, audio, and other communications signals to town residents). Jim Kusilek from 24/7 Telcom appeared and discussed the contents of the proposed ordinance/agreement. He also provided an update with respect to work performed and the timeline of work to be completed with respect to the Rusk project. *No action taken.*
4. Minutes:
 - (a) Prior Town Board meeting (November 14, 2016); and
 - (b) Special Town Board Meeting to Adopt the 2016 Budget.
Motion by Bob Cook to approve the minutes for both meetings as presented; motion seconded by Deb Gotlibson. None opposed. MC
5. Financials. *Motion by Bob Cook to approve the Treasurer's Report, including the checks written, monthly receipts, and cash summary; motion seconded by Dave Leach. None opposed. MC*
6. Current Month's Claims. The monthly claims and per diems were approved. *Motion by Deb Gotlibson to approve the monthly claims and per diems as presented; motion seconded by Bob Cook. None opposed. MC*
7. Reports and Recommendations to Consider and Act on:
 - (a) Patrolman. The Patrolman provided a report as to work performed during the month and upcoming work projects. *No action taken.*
 - (b) Finance Committee. The agenda was handed out. Available funds in each account were reviewed. Third quarter Patrolman worksheets, budget expenses and income to date sheets, and timesheets were provided in board packets for review. *No action taken.*
 - (c) Ordinance Committee. The minutes of the last meeting were handed out, and ordinances which need to be rescinded and/or corrected were discussed. *No action taken.*
 - (d) Planning Commission Report and Business Item. The minutes were provided in board packets. A report of work performed and the recommendation from the Planning Commission to approve the rezone request was provided.
 - (1) Business Item: Discuss and act on Planning Commission recommendation to rezone a 4.360 acre parcel located at E7233 N. County Road E, Elk Mound, from GA to R2; and, further, make a recommendation to Dunn County to approve or disapprove a proposed Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance amendment to rezone said property from GA to R2 and to amend the official zoning map of the Town of Red Cedar reflecting same. Deb Gotlibson recused herself from discussion and voting. Discussion had. *Motion by Bob Cook to approve a rezone of the above 4.360 acre parcel at E7233 N. County Road E, Elk Mound, from GA to R2 and make a recommendation to Dunn County to approve a comprehensive zoning ordinance amendment and official zoning map amendment reflecting same; motion seconded by Doug Miller. None opposed.*
8. Further Business.
 - (a) Patrolman wage and benefit review. *Motion #1 – at 6:50 p.m., Deb Gotlibson moved to go into closed session under Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(c) to consider employee wages and benefits and possible changes/increases and that the Town Board reconvene into open session after the closed session; motion*

seconded by Bob Cook. None opposed. Motion carried on a roll call vote: Pete Prochnow, yes; Deb Gotlibson, yes; Bob Cook, yes; Dave Leach, yes; and Doug Miller, yes. The Town Board convened into closed session at 6:50 p.m.

Motion #2 – at 6:55 p.m., while in closed session, Deb Gotlibson moved to reconvene into open session to discuss and take possible action related to the subject matter of the closed meeting discussion and to conduct other noticed agenda items; motion seconded by Bob Cook. None opposed. Motion carried on a roll call vote: Pete Prochnow, yes; Deb Gotlibson, yes; Bob Cook, yes; Dave Leach, yes; and Doug Miller, yes. The Town Board reconvened into open session.

Motion #3 – in open session, Deb Gotlibson moved to increase the Patrolman's wages by \$2.00 per hour and set the new rate at \$20.00 per hour effective on January 1, 2017; motion seconded by Doug Miller. None opposed.

- (b) Shop updates. Discussion had with respect providing air and water lines to the west end of the shop. *Motion #1 by Bob Cook to hire Bear Valley to provide electrical upgrades to the west end of the shop for the air and water project upgrades; motion seconded by Doug Miller. None opposed. MC Further discussion had.*

Motion #2 by Deb Gotlibson to purchase two air piping kits and complete the air and water portion of the project in house; motion seconded by Dave Leach. None opposed. MC Pete will contact Bear Valley, and Cheryl will order two air piping kits online through Northern Tool.

- (c) Removal of reflector posts at 690th St. and 720th Ave. for snow plowing purposes. Discussion had. The Patrolman will remove one or more posts if needed. *No action taken.*
- (d) Snowplow damage in right of way. Discussion had. *No action taken.*
- (e) Review mill rates and final assessed value of town. The mill rate sheet and SOT was reviewed. *No action taken.*
- (f) Update on prohibited land use activity at E7309 N. Co. Rd. E (640th Ave. – Larson/Siler property). Vehicles continue to be worked on at the property. *No action taken.*
- (g) Set Town Caucus date for Monday, January 16, 2017 and verify candidacy of Town Chairman and Supervisors 1 and 2. The caucus was set for 6:00 p.m. on Monday, January 16, 2017. Pete Prochnow, Deb Gotlibson, and Bob Cook will run as incumbents for their current positions. *No action taken.*

9. Communications:

- (a) Correspondence, announcements, and concerns to be brought before the board. The City of Menomonie would like to sit down with board members to go over a potential new road off of 650th Avenue west of County Road B, and Pete will ask Randy Eide to attend our next board meeting. The Eckert CSM was handed out and will be before the Planning Commission on December 20th. Bob indicated that at the Joint Town/City meeting, discussion was had re: a possible traffic study to be done on County Road B for traffic lights and potential, further discussion with city and county representatives. In 2018, the railroad bridge on I-94 will be removed, and a new bridge will be installed with pedestrian and bike access. The City of Menomonie Mayor would like to see the towns extend various trails into the city.
- (b) Upcoming agenda items for discussion including specific items for inclusion or exclusion from future agendas. Hire out for brushing. New road off of 650th Avenue west of County Road B.

10. Set Next Meeting Date. The next town board meeting was set for Monday, January 16, 2017 (3rd Monday) at 6:30 p.m., or immediately following the Town Caucus.

11. Adjourn Monthly Town Board Meeting. At 8:12 p.m., the Town Chairman, Pete Prochnow, adjourned the meeting without objection.

(The minutes are subject to review at the next, regularly scheduled Town Board meeting)

Cheryl Miller, Clerk

December 15, 2016