**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, October 14, 2019, at 6:30 p.m.

1. Call to order/roll call. At 6:30 p.m., the Chairman, Bob Cook, called the meeting to order. Present were Supervisors Deb Gotlibson, Jim Richartz, Don Hayden, and Doug Miller. Also present were the Clerk, Cheryl Miller, and the Treasurer, Jill Haldeman.
2. Public Comments. Steve Kothlow indicated that the town has been doing a great job on town roads.
3. Business to discuss and/or act on:
4. Potential 24/7 partnership agreement(s) for proposed broadband grant projects in fiscal year 2020. Jim Kusilek from 24/7 Telcom appeared and presented a partnership agreement for a broadband project extending from the intersection of 630th St. and CTH J/north on CTH J to 570th St./south to 370th Ave./west to the Dunn Energy Solar Farm and Substation, and continuing north on CTH J from 570th St. to 490th Ave. Approximately 65 locations will be picked up on the project route. A grant will be written this year, and we are allowed 24 months to complete the project from grant issuance. In 2020, we expect that a grant will be written for a project on 610th Street. *Motion by Deb Gotlibson to enter into a partnership agreement for the proposed broadband grant project on CTH J and allocate $16,250.00 towards said project; motion seconded by Jim Richartz. None opposed.* MC
5. Employee annual performance and wage/benefit review. Bob recused himself from discussion and action. A review with the Patrolman was held, as was a wage and benefit review. *Motion by Don Hayden to increase the Patrolman’s wage $3.00 per hour effective January 1, 2020 and reassess that wage increase if the town provides health insurance; motion seconded by Doug Miller. None opposed.* MC
6. Minutes. *Motion by Deb Gotlibson to approve the minutes of the prior meeting as presented; motion seconded by Doug Miller. None opposed.* MC
7. Treasurer’s Report. *The Treasurer’s Report was accepted as presented.*
8. Current Month’s Claims. *Motion by Doug Miller to approve the monthly claims and per diems; motion seconded by Deb Gotlibson. None opposed.* MC
9. Reports and Recommendations:
10. Patrolman. The Patrolman provided a report as to work performed during the month.
11. Finance Committee. The Treasurer provided a report showing information on accounts, solid waste/recycling funds and increases, dog licensing, document shredding quotes, and estimated work hours through the end of the year.
12. Ordinance Committee. Jill provided a report as to what the committee has been working on and indicated that the next meeting is set for Monday, Oct. 28th. Bob suggested that the committee review culvert and driveway sizes for emergency vehicles and farm driveways.
13. Planning Commission. Cheryl provided a report as to what the Planning Commission has been working on.
14. Additional business to discuss and/or act on:
15. Badeau property at N5819 730th Street. Discussion was had. *No action taken*.
16. Introduce Resolution to Vacate Portion of Street in the Town of Red Cedar. The street will be vacated and split between the adjoining landowners: Holzhueter (2 lots), Grayless (1 lot), Ottinger (2 lots), and DeLong (1 lot). *Motion by Deb Gotlibson to allow the introduction of the Resolution to Vacate Portion of Street in the Town of Red Cedar and postpone this matter for public hearing and enactment before the Town Board on December 9, 2019; motion seconded by Jim Richartz. None opposed.* MC
17. Fire call on 9/14/2019 – vehicle fire on 610th St., Kristen Vorvick, $242.39. *Motion by Deb Gotlibson to bill the entire cost of the fire call under Section 2(1) of our Fire Call Ordinance; motion seconded by Jim Richartz. None opposed.* MC
18. Dog licensing citations. *No action taken.*
19. Raise solid waste/recycling fee for households. Discussion had. The County is raising the solid waste fees substantially. *Motion by Don Hayden to raise the solid waste fee per household in the Town of Red Cedar to $65.00 annually beginning January 1, 2020; motion seconded by Jim Richartz. None opposed.* MC
20. Enter into contract with Dunn Co. to collect taxes. *Motion by Deb Gotlibson to enter into and renew a one-year contract with Dunn County to collect the 2019-2020 taxes; motion seconded by Don Hayden. None opposed.* MC
21. Paper shredding services. The quotes were reviewed. *Motion by Deb Gotlibson to enter into a one-year contract with Confidential Records for a minimum pickup of 64 gallons every three months at $140.00 per year; motion seconded by Jim Richartz. None opposed.* MC
22. MLS cost sharing projects. Previous engineering plans may be in storage or in the office for 420th Avenue and/or 640th Street. Bob will start working on the paperwork, which is due by December 6, 2019. *Motion by Deb Gotlibson to apply for MLS funds for 420th Avenue and 640th Street; motion seconded by Doug Miller. None opposed.* MC
23. LRIP/TRIP D projects for 2020. Bob will start working on the paperwork, which is due November 1, 2019. *Motion by Deb Gotlibson to apply for LRIP funds for re-paving 730th Street for 1 mile south of 12/29; motion seconded by Jim Richartz. None opposed.* MC
24. Review 1st draft of proposed 2020 Budget. The budget income and expense line items were reviewed and will be acted on at the November meeting. *No action taken*.
25. Set budget/levy hearing/meeting date and time. The budget/levy hearing and meeting date were set for Monday, November 11, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. The Finance Committee will meet at 5:30 p.m.
26. Other town issues, matters, concerns. The Town will put up road signs in Timber Valley, and speed limit signs will be added once the road is accepted. A 40-foot culvert will be put in under Pechmiller’s driveway which he will pay for. The County will install it and do ditch work, which the Town will pay for.
27. Communications:
28. Correspondence and announcements. WISLR and PACER are due soon, and Bob and Cheryl will work on. There is a Cyber workshop on November 5, 2019 from 9 a.m. to noon in Altoona.
29. Upcoming agenda items. Ditch mowing.
30. Set Next Meeting Date. The next meeting date was set for Monday, November 11, 2019 at 6:30 p.m., or immediately following the budget public hearing, elector meeting to approve the levy, and the special town board meeting to approve the budget.
31. Adjourn. *At 9:16 p.m., the Chairman, Bob Cook, adjourned the meeting without objection.*

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*(The minutes are subject to approval at the next, regularly scheduled town board meeting)*

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Cheryl Miller, Clerk