

TOWN OF WEST POINT

Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 19.84, the Town Board of the Town of West Point held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, August 13, 2015 at the West Point Town Hall. The meeting was published in the Lodi Enterprise, the Sauk Prairie Star, posted in the three designated places in the town and on the town's web site.

The Town Board meeting was called to order by Dean Schwarz, Town Chair, at 7:00 p.m. The town board members present were: Dean Schwarz-Town Chairman, John Miller-1st Supervisor, Gordon Carncross-2nd Supervisor, Ashley Nedeau-Owen -3rd Supervisor, and Matt Zeman -4th Supervisor. Also present was Taffy Buchanan-Town Clerk and Lonna Zeman-Town Treasurer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

A motion was made by Matt Zeman to approve the agenda and move items around if needed, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Input –Ashley Nedeau-Owen suggested we add “free library box” on the agenda next month.

Copies of the July 9, 2015 Town Board minutes were emailed to each town board member prior to the meeting for their review. A motion was made by Gordon Carncross to approve the July 9, 2015 Town Board minutes, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Lonna Zeman had prepared the following report: General Fund as of July 31, 2015 - \$540,290.20; Park Fund \$10,786.57; Historical Society is \$3,353.39 and Savannah Tree is \$2,152.01 is in a 1 year CD (matures 5/24/16). The Town Treasurer and Town Clerk reconciled the bank accounts for the month of July.

Correspondence – Columbia County Planning & Zoning sent the Town the current Enforcement Report for Unresolved Violations. The Wisconsin Department of Administration sent the preliminary estimate of the January 1, 2015 population of West point it is 1983 that is up by 28 persons from the 2010 Census. Jim Grothman has questions about a “spite Strip” owned by the Town adjacent to Vest Fjord Road. CCP&Z proposing amendments Zoning Code and is asking for comments from the Town Board and Plan Commission before August 31, 2015, they will have a public hearing at 4:00pm on September 1, 2015 at the

Law Enforcement Center. CSWAB emailed and article about the Badger Ammunition trails.

The bills were reviewed by each town board member prior to the town board meeting. A copy of the bills, deposits, budget for 2015 were given to each town board member for their information. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to move \$5554.60 from 59900 Reserve Contingencies and put \$39.98 in 51405 Web Page, \$5425.08 in 51533 Assessor Expense, and \$89.60 in 51105 Board Expense, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to move \$1279.70 from 51300 Legal and put it in 56900 Towns Advisory/ Outdoor, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Ashley Nedeau-Owen to pay the bills as presented, 2nd by Jon Miller - motion carried unanimously.

Kurt Reinhold, Managing Director for Legacy Solar Co-op, and Tom Sullivan gave a presentation about funding for solar projects. The Town had received information about savings for the Town using renewable energy and other energy savings ideas from Trang Donovan from URE.

David Mitchell requested approval of a 2-lot Certified Survey Map and variances to the Columbia County Zoning Ordinance and to the Columbia County Shoreland / Wetland The property is located at W12618 Pleasant View Park Road, Lodi, WI, Parcel #11040-716.02. Larry Pulsfus will be purchasing lot 1 and then it will be tied to his property and lot 2 will be tied to David Mitchell's property. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to recommend to the Columbia County Planning and Zoning Department approval of the 2-lot CSM and the variances, with the restriction that all existing deed and covenants be vacated and newly created deeds and be included in the approval, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to approve the division of the Lot 2 into 2 outlots of less than 2 acres in accordance with the Town's land use ordinance, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously.

Andrew & Maureen Fiene requested variances to the Columbia County Zoning Ordinance and to the Columbia County Shoreland / Wetland Ordinance. The property is located at N2340 Trails End Road, Lodi, WI, Parcel #11040-841. Andrew & Maureen Fiene would like to remove the existing home and well, move the septic tank, retain the septic drain field, add a second drain field, have a joint well with their neighbors (Breunig) and build a new home. A motion was made by Matt Zeman

to recommend to the Columbia County Planning and Zoning Department to approve the variance requests of Andrew and Maureen Fiene, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously.

Brian & Tracy Breunig requested variances to the Columbia County Zoning Ordinance and to the Columbia County Shoreland / Wetland Ordinance. The property is located at N2340 Trails End Road, Lodi, WI, Parcel #11040-840. Brian & Tracy Breunig would like to build a new home and septic with drain field, they will have a joint well with their neighbors (Fiene). A motion was made by Matt Zeman to recommend to the Columbia County Planning and Zoning Department approval of the variance requests for Brian & Tracy Breunig, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously.

The Town looked into if they would need to change the Comprehensive Plan to show the rezoning of the Lane property on Slack Rd. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to not take any action, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ashley Nedeau-Owen to pay \$10,000.00 to Marcel Kjorlie for the shelter payment, 2nd by John Miler – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dean Schwarz to postpone the “Welcome to West Point” signs until next meeting, 2nd by Matt Zeman – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matt Zeman to sign the Resolution granting permission to the treasurer to open a savings account at the Bank of Prairie du Sac for the Ferry Landing Pier Project, 2nd by Gordon Carncross – motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to allow the Friends of Scenic Lodi Valley (FSLV) to accept donations for the Ferry Landing Pier Project and then send the money to the Town of West Point to deposit in the Ferry Landing Pier Project savings account, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to have the Town Chair write a letter or MOU between West Point and FSLV stating how the money is to be handled and assuring them that the money will be earmarked for the Ferry Landing Pier Project, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dean Schwarz to postpone AEA signs until the next meeting agenda and have the Town Chair get ideas and bids for individualizing the signs, 2nd by Matt Zeman – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Gordon Carncross to authorize the purchase of a freestanding drop box for Town Hall, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ashley Nedeau-Owen to not consider budgeting the \$5000.00 for the Fish, Crystal, Mud Lake District for 2016 unless we receive documentation of these 4 items by October 1, 2015:

1. A copy of the FCM Lake Management Plan (District has a plan)
2. Copy of most recent budget – as required *according to Sec. 33.(1) (g), of Wis. Stats*
3. Copy of an audit(s) if available – as required *according to Sec. 33.29(2) of Wis. Stats.*
4. Summary of the activities/projects that are planned for the next fiscal year

The motion was 2nd by Gordon Carncross – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dean Schwarz to authorize the Open Space Committee to pursue getting the documentation to evaluate and get a greater understanding of the FCM Lake District, 2nd by Matt Zeman – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matt Zeman to appoint Ashley Nedeau-Owen to acting Chairman of the Town Board for September 10-29, 2015, 2nd by John Miller - motion carried 4-yes, 0-no, 1-abstain.

Gene Unger came before the Town Board at the July meeting to express a concern he had about people parking on Old Highway 60. When people park in some areas it makes it difficult to pull out of his driveway safely. The Town Engineer looked at the road and suggested the Town put up 2 “No Parking this Side” signs on the south side of the road.

A motion was made by Matt Zeman to sign Resolution 08-13-2015 - A Resolution requesting a waiver from TRANS 75 requirements for pedestrian and bicycle accommodations for Old Sauk Road north of the County Highway V intersection, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried 4-yes, 1-no.

Reports:

Town Park Committee –no report

Lodi Fire Commission – The Joint Meeting of the Fire & EMS will be August 24, 2015 at 5:00 at the Lodi Town Hall.

Sauk Fire District – no report

Plan Commission – Gordon Carncross reported on the meeting held on July 16, 2015. The Plan Commission held Public Hearings for Mitchell, Fiene, Breunig and also took action and recommended approval of their variance requests.

Sauk EMS Committee – John Miller reported they okayed the Engineer's design plan and are putting it out for bids. John Miller also stated the cost the Town pays annually per person will probably go up a little.

Transfer Site Report – Matt Zeman stated he bought hornet spray for the Transfer site. Matt Zeman also requested the Town find somewhere else to put the pea gravel that will be swept off of O'Conner Road, instead of piling it at the Transfer site.

Lodi EMS Committee – The Joint Meeting of the Fire & EMS will be August 24, 2015 at 5:00 at the Lodi Town Hall.

Open Space Committee – The Open Space Committee proposed evaluating the \$5000.00 Fish, Crystal, Mud Lake District payment.

Columbia County Report – Kevin Kessler had to leave the meeting but left a written report. In the written report he stated there were no Town of West Point proposals before the County Board or Board of Adjustments since the last Town Board meeting. The County Building Committee is finalizing approval of building plans and specs for the new County Administration building and the new Health and Human Services buildings. Bids will be taken this winter and construction will start in the spring. The County budget is being developed and approval will be in November.

Fish, Crystal and Mud Lake District/Pumping – no report

Broadband Committee – no report

The next town board meeting will be on Thursday, September 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. on the agenda is: AEA road signs, Town roads, Welcome to West Point

signs, Solar project, Free Library bin, and any other business that can be legally added to the agenda.

A motion was made by John Miller to adjourn the August 13, 2015 town board meeting at 9:40 pm, 2nd by Dean Schwarz – motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted By

Taffy Buchanan

Town Clerk