

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, March 10, 2016 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 – None

Copies of the February 11, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes were emailed to each town board member prior to the meeting for their review. A motion was made by Ashley Nedeau-Owen to approve the February 11, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes with corrections, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Lonna Zeman had prepared the following report: General Fund as of February 29, 2016 - \$523,229.28; Park Fund \$1,386.57; Historical Society is \$3,908.70; Ferry Landing Pier Project - \$1000.50 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 February.

Correspondence – L.A.C.E. sent a grant application for the Town to fill out. Lodi Area EMS will be holding a Spaghetti Dinner on March 15, 2016. Columbia County Planning and Zoning will be having a meeting on March 1, 2016, concerning a zoning for Davis Brothers and Kruchtens. McFarlanes is having an IOH informational meeting on March 10, 2016. CSWAB sent an email regarding Ho-Chunk Nation Plans for Badger. The Columbia County Highway Department will be hosting the spring Municipal meeting on April 4, 2016. Sauk Prairie Optimist Club will hold a 55th

Birthday Celebration on March 23, 2016. There will be a groundbreaking ceremony on March 16th for the Columbia County Administration Building and Health and Human Services Building. The Coreen Fallat would like a story map for each farm participating in the AEA.

The bills were reviewed by each town board member prior to the town board meeting. A copy of the bills, deposits, budget for 2016 were given to each town board member for their information. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to pay the bills as presented, 2nd by John Miller - motion carried unanimously.

Resolution #03-10-2016-HC, a resolution thanking resident Della Ryan for her serving on the West Point Area Historical Commission for many years was put before the Town Board. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to approve Resolution #03-10-2016-HC, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously.

A presentation was made by the Lake Wisconsin Alliance, explaining who they are and the purpose of the organization. The website for the organization is lakewisconsinalliance.org.

The following operator license application for Crystal Lake Campground and RV Park was presented to the Town Board for consideration: Carly Marx she has attended Alcohol Awareness Classes. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to grant the operator licenses to Carly Marx, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously.

A question about West Point's Dog Control Ordinance was raised by a resident and they were told by the Town Chair to come before the Town Board. They did not come to the meeting. A motion was made by Dean Schwarz to postpone, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matt Zeman to approve the hiring of the Transfer Site employees at \$13.00 per hour effective April 1, 2016 and they are to have their time sheets turned in by the Monday before the 2nd Thursday of each month in order to be paid at the Town Board meeting, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matt Zeman to keep “transfer site contract with Columbia County” on the agenda, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously.

The Town received an offer to purchase for a spite strip on Fjord Road. A motion was made by Gordon Carncross to advise the Town Attorney to have the applicant sign a reimbursement agreement stating the applicant will be responsible for all legal costs concerning the spite strip on Fjord Road, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – yes 4; no-1 -motion carried.

Raine Gardiner, MSA, brought designs and projected costs for pier project at the Ferry Landing to show to the Town Board. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to have MSA get bids on the pier project, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Dean Schwarz to have MSA send the bidding information to the newspapers, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dean Schwarz to have Columbia County Humane Society to pick up stray animals for the Town, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ashley Nedeau-Owen to have Gordon Carncross and Ashley Nedeau-Owen craft an informational handout about the referendum to be put on the November election by Thursday the March 17th, 2nd by Matt Zeman – motion carried unanimously.

The Town Engineer will bring suggestions of which roads to work on this year to the April meeting.

A motion was made by Matt Zeman to extend Brian Schmidt Enterprises’ snowplowing contract for 3 more years, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously.

Al Treinen and Scott Davis told the Town Board they could rent an extended arm saw that reaches out about 20 feet. The Town would be charged \$125.00 per hour and they would need a minimum of 40 hours.

Reports:

Town Park Committee – Playground chips are needed for the Ryan Park and Selwood playground.

Lodi Fire Commission – no report

Sauk Fire District – no report

Plan Commission – Gordon Carncross reported the Plan Commission had informal presentations from: Lucille Foster Trust about development on Fjord Road, Amalia Ryan Trust about development on Unke Road, and Al Schoepp about removal of Town easement at W13349 Klammer Road.

Sauk EMS Committee – John Miller stated all the municipalities need to agree to change the by-laws so the Sauk Prairie Ambulance can borrow money themselves one time.

Transfer Site Report – Matt Zeman said all the gravel was cleaned of the grass and the compost fences were getting bad.

Lodi EMS Committee – Al Treinen reported they are thinking of getting rid of the 3rd ambulance and staffing is difficult.

Open Space Committee – Dean Schwarz stated the Open Space Committee is working on letter for the FCML District.

Columbia County Report – Gordon Carncross attended the Columbia County WTA meeting and they discussed problems of people going to wrong roads during emergency issues.

Fish, Crystal and Mud Lake District/Pumping – A motion made by Dean Schwarz to have final draft of letter to look over for the next meeting, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously.

Broadband Committee – Ashley Nedeau-Owen and Darrell Lehman attended the Broadband and Economic Development Summit in Stevens Point. The key takeaway was: The Town of West Point is “not fully eligible” for Connect America Fund Phase 2 funding, however, “funding” might be available if providers extend funded hookups into adjacent areas.

The next town board meeting will be on Thursday, April 14, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. on the agenda is: Transfer Site, Ferry Landing Pier, Town roads, Spite Strip on

Fjord Road, Solar Panel Energy Savings Presentation, Committee reappointment and any other business that can be legally added to the agenda.

A motion was made by John Miller to adjourn the March 10, 2016 town board meeting at 9:30 pm, 2nd by Matt Zeman – motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted By

Taffy Buchanan

Town Clerk