

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, October 13, 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.

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 as needed, 2nd by Gordon Carncross – motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Input –David Moore, Candidate for State Assembly District 81, introduced himself to the Board and residents attending the meeting.

Copies of the September 8, 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 September 8, 2016 Town Board meeting minutes, 2nd by John Miller - motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Lonna Zeman had prepared the following report: General Fund as of September 30, 2016 - \$387,255.96; Park Fund \$3,711.57; Historical Society is \$4,459.18; Ferry Landing Pier Project - \$1001.25 and Savannah Tree is \$2,160.64 is in a 1 year CD (matures 5/24/17). The Town Treasurer and Town Clerk reconciled the bank accounts for the month of September. Lonna Zeman stated she would be working on the newsletter which will be put in with the tax bill and asked for any information the Board would like to include. Fire number sign replacement was suggested. A motion was made by John Miller to have fire number replacement put on the November meeting agenda, 2nd by Matt Zeman – motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence – Columbia County Planning & Zoning had a public hearing on the Amalia Ryan Trust rezone on October 4, 2016. Jeff Clark, Town Attorney, sent an email to the Town about a possible rezone on Rausch Road. The Wisconsin

Department of Administration sent a letter stating the final estimate of the January 1, 2016 population for the Town of West Point is 1991. The Sauk City Fire Department is having their Annual Halloween Costume Ball on October 28, 2016 at the Dorf Haus. The Lodi Public Schools is having a presentation on the upcoming school referendum at the High School on October 17th, 2016.

The Town will be receiving \$69,300.00 from a DNR Grant to help pay for a 75% of the Ferry Landing Pier Project. The Town Clerk drafted Resolution #10-13-2016B to amend to budget by adding \$69,300.00 to both the revenues and expenses. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to adopt Resolution #10-13-2016B, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously.

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 John Miller to pay the bills as presented, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen - motion carried unanimously.

Each year the Town Board must decide which option to choose for Implements of Husbandry. The Town Board chose Option E again. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to adopt Resolution #10-13-2016, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously.

Linda Gardiner, Gardiner Appraisal came before the Town Board to have their assessment contract renewed. The Town expressed concerns they have heard, one was the mobile home park owners stated they would like to walk with the assessor to help eliminate mistakes. Linda Gardiner agreed to let them go with them. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to approve the Assessor Contract with Gardiner Appraisal, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously.

The Roadside Mowing Contract with D & T Mowing will end at the end of 2016. A motion was made by Matt Zeman to renew the mowing contract with D & T Mowing for 3 years, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – yes 1, no 4 – motion failed.

A motion was made by Gordon Carncross to grant a temporary waiver to Ron Schoepp to be able to keep cattle on the Ryan Farm on Unke Road until March 31, 2017 contingent on the Town receiving a letter from the owners of the parcels agreeing to the waiver, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously.

The Town Board asked the Plan Commission to consider making Open Space Committee a Standing Committee or combine it with the Parks Committee. Darrell Lehman, member of the Open Space Committee, gave a presentation stating why they would like to be made a Standing Committee instead of combining with the Parks Committee. Kevin Kessler stated the Plan Commission recommended to the combine the Open Space Committee with the Parks Committee. A motion was made by Ashley Nedeau-Owen to adopt the Open Space Committee as a Standing Committee without combining it with the Parks Committee by adding it in the Town Ordinance Section 3.2 as (F) and have it consist of 1 board member and 4 citizen members, 2nd by Gordon Carncross – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dean Schwarz to recommend Chris Schoepp as Citizen of the Year of West Point, 2nd by Matt Zeman – motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dean Schwarz to renew the Human Society Service Agreement for 2017, 2nd by John Miller -motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matt Zeman to keep the port-a-potty from Strander's Sanitary on a month-to month basis and check on prices from other businesses, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously.

Taffy Buchanan, Town Clerk, told the Town Board the posting board at Selwood was getting damaged, by someone scraping pictures and words into the cork board. No Action at this time, cork will need to be replaced in the future and it is now getting locked to prevent more damage.

A motion was made by Dean Schwarz to postpone the swimming pool ordinance, 2nd by John Miller – motion carried unanimously.

Reports:

Town Park Committee – no report

Lodi Fire Commission – no report

Sauk Fire District – Ashley Nedeau-Owen said the number of incidents on 188 have been down.

Plan Commission – Gordon Carncross reported the Plan Commission held a public hearing for Tom Sawyer land division, CSM review, and rezone. A public hearing for Stig & Angela Rahn for a lot-line adjustment was held. There was also an informal presentation for Marcel Kjorlie, he is hoping to build another home on his property.

Sauk EMS Committee – John Miller reported the Sauk Prairie EMS will be moving into the new building soon.

Transfer Site Report – no report

Lodi EMS Committee – no report

Open Space Committee – no report

Columbia County Report – Kevin Kessler reported the Health & Human Service Department will delay moving into their new building by a year, so it can be used by the Court while the Courthouse is getting remodeled.

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

Broadband Committee – no report

A motion was made by Matt Zeman to have the Special budget meeting start at 6:00pm on October 18th, 2016 instead of 7:00pm and to add “determine who will take the pier out” to the agenda, 2nd by Dean Schwarz motion carried unanimously.

The next regular town board meeting will be on Thursday, November 10, 2016 immediately following the Public Hearing and Special Town Meeting of the Electors of the Town of West Point which will be held at 6:30 p.m. on the agenda is: Town roads, Roadside Mowing contract, fire number, Historical Society Annual Report, Citizen of the Year, Resolution of Service for Keith Rumisek, Attorney estimates, and any other business that can be legally added to the agenda.

A motion was made by John Miller to adjourn the October 13, 2016 town board meeting at 9:45 pm, 2nd by Ashley Nedeau-Owen – motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted By
Taffy Buchanan
Town Clerk