

## 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 8, 2019 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 website.

The Town Board meeting was called to order by Ashley Nedeau-Owen-Town Chairman, at 7:00p.m. The Town Board members present were: Ashley Nedeau-Owen-Town Chairman, Renee Nair-1<sup>st</sup> Supervisor, Gordon Carncross-2<sup>nd</sup> Supervisor, and Karmin Enge-3<sup>rd</sup> Supervisor. Also present were Taffy Buchanan-Town Clerk. Absent was Matt Zeman-4<sup>th</sup> Supervisor (excused) and Lonna Zeman - Town Treasurer (excused).

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

A motion was made by Renee Nair to approve the agenda as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Karmin Enge – motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Input – Jon Ballweg, W12790 State Highway 60, Lodi, stated there is a Bed & Breakfast or Tourist Rooming House being run at W12748 State Highway 60 and people who have stayed there have been walking on his land.

Copies of the July 11, 2019 Town Board Meeting minutes were emailed to each town board member prior to the meeting for their review. A motion was made by Renee Nair to approve the July 11, 2019 Town Board Meeting minutes as with a minor grammatical correction, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Karmin Enge –motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Lonna Zeman had prepared the following report: General Fund as of July 31, 2019 - \$389,042.29; Park Fund \$1,422.14; Historical Society is \$4,270.18; Ryan's Haven Escrow account is \$3,617.02, and Savannah Tree is \$1,667.81 is in a 1-year CD (matures 5/24/20). The Town Treasurer and Town Clerk reconciled the bank accounts for the month of July.

Correspondence –The Town received approved minutes from the Sauk Prairie Ambulance Commission from the May 16, 2019 meeting. The Town received an article from Laura Olah, CSWAB, about "Citizens Petition EPA for Ban on Burning

PFAS Munitions”. Columbia County Highway Department will hold the “Fall Local Municipalities” meeting October 9, 2019 at the Wyocena shop. Wisconsin Rural Partners is holding a 2019 Small Community Forums & Resource Fair in Pardeeville on August 20, 2019.

The bills were reviewed by each town board member prior to the town board meeting. A copy of the bills, deposits, budget for 2019 were given to each town board member for their information. A motion was made by Ashley Nedeau-Owen to take \$5,956.64 from 53311 Hwy Maint/Repair and put \$5,048.39 in 53101 Engineer Roads and put \$908.25 in 53637 Recycling Expense, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Renee Nair – motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Renee Nair to pay the bills as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gordon Carncross - motion carried unanimously.

#### Reports:

Town Park Committee – no report

Lodi Fire Commission – no report

Sauk Fire District – no report

Plan Commission – Gordon Carncross reported the Plan Commission looked at the CSM for Unke parcel and CSM for Munz property.

Sauk EMS Committee – no report

Transfer Site Report – no report

Lodi EMS Committee – Karmin Enge reported the EMS looked at budgeting and talked about Health Insurance for the employees.

Open Space Committee – no report

Columbia County Report – Kevin Kessler reported the Mitchell CUP for a Tourist Rooming House will be on the County September agenda.

Fish, Crystal and Mud Lake District/Pumping – Brent Varner, Secretary for the Fish, Crystal and Mud Lake District reported the pumping has been ongoing and looked at increasing the pump size but they would not have enough money

to run it. He also reported the DNR will be coming up with cost estimates for 7 potential long term options for the Lake District to help with the water issues.

Broadband Committee – Ashley Nedeau-Owen reported the committee is working on assembling parts.

At the request of the Town Board the Town Engineer, Andy Zimmer presented four options with estimated costs for Schoepp Road: 1. Resurface at current width with HMA, raise ~650ft of road, add 24" culvert - \$342,654.00; 2. Resurface at current width with Double Chip Seal, raise ~650ft of road, add 24" culvert - \$308,730.00; 3. Resurface at current width with HMA, raise and narrow ~650ft of road, add 24" culvert - \$336,146.00; 4. Resurface at current width with HMA, abandon 600ft of road, construct turnarounds - \$234,088.00. Brent Varner, N550 Gannon Road, stated he didn't know why we would have to deal with the DNR when it is over the ordinary high water mark and suggested we put in a controlled culvert below road level. Kathy Powell, N554 Schoepp Road, does not agree with putting a culvert on top of the road, and abandonment does not make sense and the road is already narrow. Donna Ackerman, N554 Schoepp Road Lot 10, would like a culvert under the road, because the area is like a bathtub with no way out. Al Deming, 720 Tulip Lane, Waupun, is part of the Advisory Committee for the Lake District; he said they are trying to balance everything with all three lakes, Crystal Lake is above flood stage and the 2 Campgrounds are at capacity of how much water they can take. Al Deming thinks they could come up with \$16,000 - \$20,000 in donations to go towards an agreed upon option that would help the Lake District. He would like the Engineer to get a price to put in a regulated culvert without raising the road. Tom Lowe, 150 W Franke, Cary, IL, is a property owner on Fish Lake and would like everyone to think about where the water would be going to; putting culverts in would flood out some of the district members. Kevin Kessler, N2326 Trails End Road, said permanent reconstruction of Schoepp Road is premature and first figure out what can be done on a temporary basis. Lyle McFarland, N554 Schoepp Road Lot 31, something is going to need to be done because if it keeps raining and gets closer to winter it will be freezing on the road way and make for dangerous conditions. John Yingling, N554 Schoepp Road Lot 9, and Beth Stellberg, 5805 Barta Road, both wanted to register their appearance but did not want to make a statement. The Town Board would like Andy Zimmer to look at the option and get a price for putting in a culvert at road level.

At the July 11, 2019 the Town Board decided the Town needed to take out a loan to cover the cost of the Van Ness Road Project until we receive the Grant money from the State and the amount over the budgeted amount. A motion was made by Renee Nair to approve and sign Resolution #8/8/2019 to borrow funds from Bank of Prairie du Sac, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gordon Carncross – motion carried unanimously. The signed Resolution 8/8/2019 is attached.

The Town has a plaque at the Town Hall in recognition of Fred Madison's contribution to the Town.

Jim Grothman presented a CSM for Boos, Marquardt, Nielson and Unke to divide Parcel #11040 into 2 lots. A motion was made by Renee Nair to approve the CSM as presented with 2 waivers one for the length of driveway and the other for road frontage access conditionally with approval of the Town Attorney and Town Engineer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Karmin Enge – yes 3, no 0, abstain 1 – motion carried. A motion was made by Renee Nair to sign the CSM tonight and have Jim Grothman hold it and wait to file it until the Town Attorney and Town Engineer give their approval, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Karmin Enge – yes 0, no 3, abstain 1 – motion failed.

An application for an Operator's License was presented by Crystal Lake Park for Alison Stephens. Alison Stephens still needs to take the Alcohol Awareness Classes. A motion was made by Renee Nair to grant the operator licenses for Alison Stephens on the condition she completes the Alcohol Awareness Classes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gordon Carncross – motion carried unanimously.

At the October 13, 2016 Town Board meeting the Board made a motion to make the Open Space Committee a Standing Committee by adding it to the Town Ordinance Section 3.2 as (F) and have it consist of 1 board member and 4 citizen members, but it was never added. A motion was made by Renee Nair to rescind the action of the Town Board from October 13, 2016 and go forward with the actions needed to combine the Open Space Committee and Park Committee, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gordon Carncross – motion carried unanimously.

The Town of Lodi, City of Lodi, and Town of West Point are in the process of revising the LAFD & LAEMS Intergovernmental Agreements. The edits suggested at the last Town Board meeting were incorporated into the agreements. A motion was made by Ashley Nedeau-Owen to approve the revised agreements, dated 7/22/2019, with minor corrections, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Renee Nair – motion carried unanimously.

The Town Chair is still looking into the authority he has for administrative duties like hiring and firing of employees of Town.

Renee Nair has been working on the Emergency Response Plan and will talk with the Chair and Clerk to help with it.

The next regular town board meeting will be on Thursday, September 12, 2019 at 7:00pm, on the agenda is: Town roads, Schoepp Road, Emergency Response Plan, Parks / Open Space Committee, Transfer Site, Lodi EMS and Fire contracts, and any other business that can be legally added to the agenda.

A motion was made by Renee Nair to adjourn the August 8, 2019 Town Board meeting at 9:35pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gordon Carncross – motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted By  
*Taffy Buchanan*  
Town Clerk