Town of Whitewater Town Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, January 23, 2014 9:00am

Present: Lowell Hagen, Rodney Wilson, Norman Prusener, Carrie Hintz

The minutes of the January 8, 2014 town board meeting were reviewed. Norm made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Rodney. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>Wakefield request to make public road a walkway (N7703 Ridge Road) –</u> The Wakefield's would like to tear down their existing house on Ridge Road and build a new one higher up on the property. There is 60' of Ridge Road running along the Wakefield's property that can't be developed and that the town doesn't plow, but because it is considered a road, there is a 25' setback off of road that affects the Wakefield's building plans. Norm spoke with Darrin at the County who said that the town would have to vacate the road, which is a time-intensive, costly process. Norm noted that the Wakefield's or the town can go through this process or the Wakefield's can request a variance instead through the county. Norm suggested the Wakefield's requested the town approve a sideyard variance before they go to the county. Norm made a motion to approve the Wakefield's request of a sideyard variance for the north side setback off the undeveloped road from 25' to 5'. Motion seconded by Lowell. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>1994 International plow replacement or repair</u> – Rod said the insurance adjuster thought the frame was bent and the truck was totaled. The total value with equipment is \$21,019.50. Rod would like to take the insurance money and upgrade to a newer truck. Rod found a refurbished 2000 International single axel DT530 with 160,000 miles and 275 horse motor, automatic transmission with new tires (no spreader) with plow and wing for \$38,000. There are other used ones available as well. The board would like to keep the sander from the International at a cost of \$1613.00 (this would be deducted from the \$21,019.50 insurance check). Norm made a motion to spend up to \$32,000 for a used truck, seconded by Rod. Motion passed unanimously. Lowell made a motion to take the insurance money for the totaled truck, keeping the sander, seconded by Norm. Motion passed unanimously.

Other town business -

- Board discussed a letter from a resident who spoke with Rodney last week and then sent the town board a letter suggesting that the town charge all residents a special assessment to get more salt for the roads.
- Whitewater Lions Club is requesting a Class B Temporary liquor license for their annual Fish-A-Ree on Sunday, February 9. Rod made a motion to issue the license, seconded by Lowell. Motion passed unanimously.
- Tank pollution policy is up for renewal. Lowell made a motion to not renew the policy, Norm seconded. Motion passed 2-1.

Public input – None

The board paid bills.

Rodney made a motion to adjourn at 9:35am, seconded by Lowell. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Carrie Hintz, Clerk/Treasurer