

Town of Whitewater Town Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 20, 2014
11:00am

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

The minutes of the November 12, 2014 special town board meeting were reviewed. Rod made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Norm. The motion passed unanimously.

Town letter in support of DNR grant for 2015 aquatic invasive species monitoring - The Whitewater Rice Lakes Management District has passed a Resolution to hire Onterra, LLC to provide an aquatic invasive species (AIS) monitoring service for 2015 based on getting a grant from the DNR. The DNR would like to have letters of support from both the Towns of Richmond and Whitewater for the grant as well as Walworth County. Rod made a motion to approve the letter supporting the DNR grant, seconded by Norm. Motion passed unanimously.

John's Disposal rate increase request and agreement extension request – John's is requesting a \$.20/unit monthly increase for 2015, which is a 1.3% cost of living increase. However, 2015 is the last year of our current agreement. They are willing to take no increase for 2015 and 2016 if the town signs a 4 year extension. After the next 2 years, they can take a cost of living adjustment, which is generally 1-3%. Rod made a motion to approve the contract extension as written, seconded by Norm. Motion passed unanimously.

Encroachment stop work orders – Norm would like the town board and roadman to have available a stop work order sign that can be used when they see work being done in the town right-of-way. Rod made a motion to approve the stop worker orders, seconded by Norm. Motion passed unanimously.

Other town business –

Norm received a call from Mr. Hatchett regarding the neighbor on Kristy Lane complaining about the smoke coming from the Hatchett's wood burning stove. The chimney was raised about 10 feet and it was burning when Norm went out there and the wind was blowing towards Kristy Lane, but he couldn't smell anything on Kristy Lane. Rod noted that the town doesn't have an ordinance so there is nothing that can be done.

Rod found a used 2008 Ford F450 with just over 90,000 miles, diesel, 4WD, but it doesn't have a plow. Has a dump box which was sandblasted and painted and has new tires. Could take the plow off of our red Ford truck to put on it. Asking \$29,000 but Rod would offer \$25,000. Also found a 2015 Chevrolet with plow and a 100,000 warranty for \$54,000. Also found a 2015 Chevy 3500 1-ton pickup for \$39,000 with 100,000 warranty but without a dump box. Norm will look at the trucks in Janesville. Put on December agenda.

Steve Olson asked if we could repair the 2002 International (truck 16) rotted passenger lower mirror mounting bracket. Norm made a motion to repair as requested, seconded by Rod. Motion passed unanimously.

Norm made a motion to tell Rural Mutual that we are no longer interested in reviewing town insurance bids for 2015, seconded by Rod. Motion passed unanimously.

Rod and Carrie checked into striping costs and timing. Striping can't be done until next May so we'll review with road work assessment next year.

Public Input – None

Rod made a motion to adjourn at 11:18am, seconded by Norm. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Carrie Hintz, Clerk/Treasurer