

Town of Whitewater Town Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 28, 2015
8:00am

Present: Lowell Hagen, Norman Prusener, Bob Strand, Carrie Hintz

The minutes of the May 13, 2015 town board meeting were reviewed. Norm made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Bob. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Lakeshore Drive bid approval – Bob Strand said that Tom Egnoski brought a \$2450 estimate for ditching per the 2015 road bid specs, which is less than the one sealed bid received in April from Wolf at over \$4239. Bob made a motion to reject the previous bids and have Egnoski do the work not to exceed \$3000, seconded by Norm. Motion passed unanimously. Bob Strand said that Egnoski also gave an estimate of \$1350 to extend the culvert on the west side of E. Lakeshore Drive, including a stand pipe and piping to direct water to lake. Norm said you're going from a 16" to an 8" and when you change direction on the sewer you need a clean-out manhole catch basin. John Andres was present and agreed to pay the \$1350. Bob made a motion to accept Egnoski's bid of \$1350, seconded by Norm. Motion passed unanimously. Bob made a motion that John Andres accept the cost of \$1350 for that extension, seconded by Norm. Motion passed unanimously.

E. Lakeshore Drive culvert cleaning – Bob said that the last time he was on site he tried to open up John's side of the culvert and it was packed. He couldn't reach 9-10' of culvert so he called Phil's Electric Drain Service and he used his water jet to open up the culvert at a cost of \$325. He also had Collins Sanitary suck it out to prevent damage on John Andres's yard at a cost of \$250. Now culvert is totally open. Norm made a motion to pay both bills at the prices indicated, seconded by Bob. Motion passed unanimously.

1-ton Ford pick-up truck replacement – Lowell believes that we need a new/used truck because of the age and condition of the current red 1-ton dump truck, along with the fact that we use it for plowing and other work. Would like to look for a really good late model used 1-ton Ford or Chevrolet or a new one that will be \$60,000 or more with new box and plow (use existing sander). Lowell will go to Fond du Lac to see what they have available. Norm thinks instead of getting a new one, we should sub out the plowing work and get a small 1-ton. Should be using the S10 to run errands, not the dump truck. Norm would like a used one not to exceed \$25,000. We only have \$16,000 in the truck fund, but we have money in the building fund. Bob said the truck is in really bad shape. Bob would like to ask the truck drivers what they think about the necessity of a dump. Bob got a price of \$53,410.80 from Burtness Chevy for a new 6-liter gas truck with aluminum bed and 8' snowplow. The steel bed was \$49,788.80 and there is a few thousand dollar discount available for town use through the state purchasing plan. Lowell and Norm said they'd want a diesel truck which will be more expensive, but Bob would like gas due to the added costs of diesel. Bob to check with Walworth County to see if we can get a better price using the county discount. Norm and Lowell said we'd have to put it out for bid listing specs. Tabled.

Other town business – Bob said that there is a family on Ridge Road that is going to have a graduation party with a high turn-out. Bob's wondering where they are going to park. He's thinking the town could put up signs to park on one side of the road only. The property owners would have to check with their neighbors. Lowell said that if there is an issue with the neighbors, they can call the police and it becomes an issue. Also an issue if emergency vehicles need to access the properties. Lowell said the town generally doesn't get involved. Norm said that we could suggest they be put on the next agenda. Bob will talk to the family.

Public input – John Andres and Art Schmitz thanked the board for their work on E. Lakeshore Drive.

Claudia Holst asked if all of the culverts around the lake will be looked at once this project is complete. Norm said they should all be cleaned.

Norm made a motion to adjourn at 8:32am, seconded by Bob. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Carrie Hintz, Clerk/Treasurer