

Town of Whitewater Town Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 9, 2018
7:00pm

Present: Lowell Hagen, Robert Strand, Norman Prusener, Donna Sherman

Norm made a motion to move approve the agenda, seconded by Bob. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes of the April 18, 2018 town board meeting were reviewed. Norm made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Bob. The motion passed unanimously.

Clerk report – None

Treasurer report – Donna read the account balances. Norm made a motion to accept the Treasurer's reports as read, seconded by Bob. Motion passed unanimously.

2nd Side Supervisor – Norm said skeleton police has been straightened out for the lake and they hired one guy. They are unable to hire patrolmen, but they have Sean and the new person they hired.

1st Side Supervisor – Bob no report.

Chairman – Lowell said he received a letter from a citizen on Bluff Road complaining about manure on Bluff Road from Kollwelter's farm. Lowell said he spoke with Jared Kollwelter after sending him a letter. He said they had a good conversation. Jared said the problem is not manure from the spreader but it is from the field when coming in and out of the field it then comes off the tires. He asked about adding gravel to the field entrance. Lowell was fine with it as long as it did not block the water way of the culvert. Jared also said he advised his employees to not fill the spreaders full and to go low speeds on the road to prevent spillage.

Lowell said he was at the new Willowbrook Country Club making out for liquor license. They have done a lot of work getting the place ready new kitchen, floors, and paint. They are officially open.

Ed Kowalski called as they are trying to buy Triebold's pit at the top of Engel Rd. Lowell thought it was grandfathered in asked if Norm recalled if he buys it can an agreement be put in place as well as he would be responsible for road repairs. Norm thought it would be a business and it wouldn't be an issue. Lowell said they would be required to go south when exiting the pit. Kowalski bought a blacktop machine and going into the business the question is if he generates enough traffic that there should be something in an agreement about repairing road damage. Citizens said it's a class B road so are we going let him run on it. Lowell said town roads are not posted as class B. John Kienbaum told him there is an agreement that it is grandfathered in which is what we are trying to find out. Lowell said he will tell Ed Kowalski that as far as we know there is no grandfather, but there would need to be an agreement put in place.

Sheriff's Department Incident Report – Ira Martin wasn't present but provided a call summary report.

Encroachment agreement for retaining wall request at N7843 E. Lakeshore Drive (DGS00015) – In March the landscaper Luke Peyton came to the town board looking for approval on a proposed retaining wall. The board told them they needed an encroachment agreement. They have provided the encroachment agreement and the town attorney reviewed the agreement and made a few comments for the board. Norm said under #6 of the encroachment agreement that they can omit a lot of that by just stating the above-described encroachment. Norm asked about plan attached – Norm says it has certain rules we have to follow. Luke and Norm looked at the plan and asked about the pitch. Bob said the

verbiage should read to say any reason necessary. Luke will have a new agreement drawn up with the new verbiage for the approval at the June meeting. Luke asked for approval if he could at least start prepping the area the board said ok.

Lakeview Elementary School variance request at W8363 R&W Townline Road (D W 3400009) – The school district is requesting to install interior driveways and parking stalls approximately 12.3’ and 3’ from the Town right-of-way and 9.5’ and 0’ from the side lot lines. Walworth County ordinance requires driveway and parking stalls to be 25’ from the right-of-way of the town road and 25’ from the R-1 zoned land to the east and west. District Admin. Dr. Mark Elworthy did intros Matthew Knutson-School Dist. Business Services /Brian-from Payne & Dolan/David Brokopp–Lakeview Principal. Looking at the function of the parking lot and redesign – the existing lot is 9ft over the set back line. They had already planned to use that for parking so they are looking for the variance. Brian advised the new stalls that both encroach on the new stall in front of school 14.5’ Bob S. asked if they can go south. There is a ball diamond there. Dr. Elworthy said when previous planning no permit was obtained which is why they now need to make it more functional. Dr. Elworthy said David to speak to how it currently works. David advised that cars pull up to the front and kids get out of cars and into the building. End of day is a bigger issue by 3pm or after cars are piled into the road way because the cars in front their kids may not be ready and they’re unable to circle them around because of the excess cars. With the new design there will be 5ft sidewalk with curbing to separate the driveway from the sidewalk. Norm asked if a retaining wall would be needed. It was stated no. Norm made a motion to grant the variance as stated and Bob second it. Lowell reminded them even though the township approved they now have to get county approval.

Dr. Elworthy mentioned regarding the school referendum updates: overall security, library security, science lab, technical art and math in the old locker room space at Lakeview. Bob asked about Lincoln school if there were delays. Dr. Elworthy said no delays. Gym is open, completed 2 months ago, new wing of classroom, and the lower gym will become the new library. At the middle school new choir room and those rooms for fine arts classes increased in size by 30 %. The band room, fitness room, and a new main entrance are all in the works. At the high school fitness room is in and is 4 times bigger than the initial weight room. There will be a new hall way going to the pool. New lighting and sound system are in place and was used at the last musical performance of The Wizard of Oz. The district has applied for a \$250K grant to be used for safety and security.

Operator/bartender license applications for Willowbrook Golf Course for Zach Welch, Jessica Peardon – Background checks were completed and nothing came back. Norm motion to approved Bob second

Culvert / ditching projects identified during road tour – Bob Strand said diggers hotline contacted and out of 6 projects only able to do 2 items.

*Bayview open the north end of culvert - People owning the home to the east do not want it open they want no part of it. Scratch this one for now.

*Howard Rd between Fire # 9371 to Cox Rd - Certain locations the depths of that main is only 3 ft. Bob said if they take it off the top – for future reference if that road gets rebuilt to build up the road higher so this one will be scratched.

*Reliance Rd culvert replacement on the north end - That one will be done if we have funds to do it.

*Easterly Rd north edge - Bob said there is a telephone cable – contact phone company to see if it can be cut. Bob S. will follow up with the phone company.

*Clover Valley Rd. - South edge of curb there is a bid to redo the road but there is telephone and electrical in the ditch flags. Bob thought this one should be scrapped.

*Howard Rd north of Bluff at the corner - Minimal cost to ditch it. No flag saying it was clear. Bob has a ticket number and he will follow up to be sure it was reviewed by the 17th.

Follow up on replacing or repairing dump box on truck 16 – Lowell said he had a bid for a new Hiel box installed and painted would be \$9,000-\$10,000. Lowell felt that was too much to spend and to just sell the truck as is. Bob asked if this was the older truck. Lowell asked about looking into a used one. Table the purchase of the new one for now.

Safety Patrol Shore Station – Norm said the used one is gone. A new lift is \$16,500 and for electric to add another \$2,000. Park it in the water under the canopy. Bob H. can pump it out if we get a heavy rain. Sean said it was a safety problem with the hand crank. Lowell asked if it could be repaired but the person who could repair it was not keen on it. Citizen said keeping the boat in the water can eat at it. The repair is a process and Norm has been talking to a mechanic. Someone said to talk to Jeff. Bob will stop and talk to Jeff.

Used replacement motor for safety patrol boat – Norm said looking for a new motor because we are on our 5th year with it and it has no guts. A new motor is \$20K and would get it back in 5 Yrs. Yamaha from Jeff. If Jeff could fix the lift then maybe a motor. Lowell felt we do not need a motor that it is something that Jeff wants. Norm felt one is needed. Bob said it does not need to go fast. Norm said to table it until they ride in the boat.

Buoy installation Rice Lake – Norm said his motor was bad. Bob S. said for this year they are installed. Buoys are being maintained and are in good shape with 100+ are installed. Bob said Bernie asked if there are special marked buoys one labeled rock or island or red for danger. Citizens said lake management could consider the purchase of 2 red buoys and they could take it to the board. Lillian Roy will review with the board and email decision. Whitewater township will take care of ordering them if approved.

Norm added that Tim was interested in working on the buoys and asked if he was interested in putting them in to go along and he was interested. Norm thought it would be a good idea for him to learn as a back up person.

Plow driver bonuses for mailbox safety – There weren't any official mailbox damage complaints again this year. Last year the board showed their appreciation to the plowing drivers with a \$25 bonus. Norm motioned to approve bonus same amount as last year \$25.00 to be paid to Bob Harris, Loren and Bob S. Lowell seconded.

Other town business – Bob S. reported that Bob H. said that the truck number #101 2002 international is in need of several repairs. He provided the following items: passenger mirror/Hyd Valve leaking/Hyd pump need rebuilt/air leak on transfer case new air chamber on tail gate latch. Bob S. will get with Bob H. to see what he can repair and get estimate on the remaining items. Carrie to see what is available in truck maintenance fund.

Public Input – none

Board paid bills.

Lowell made a motion to adjourn at 8:16pm, seconded by Norm. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Donna Sherman, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer