

Town of Whitewater Town Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, July 22, 2019
11:30am

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

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

The minutes of the July 10, 2019 town board meeting were reviewed. Norm made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Bob. Motion passed unanimously.

Safety Patrol boat and shore station situation – At the July 10 meeting, the board approved purchasing a Mercury 225XL motor from Rock River Marina for \$16,265 without a trade-in. The following week we were told that motor has a 14 moth lead time. The board reviewed pricing on a Yamaha 225HP 4.2L V6 motor from Rock River Marina at \$19,563.00 and from JNT's Marine Pros at \$17,055.65, both prices include the controls, cables, and installation. Sean confirmed these are the exact same motor. Norm said in the future we could try the Boathouse in La Grange. Sean said everyone who he's talked to with a Yamaha, said they haven't had the issues that we've had with our Mercury. Sean will train his staff to have a delay when starting the engine. Sean said on the capital expenses we get 100% back from the DNR grant over a 5-year period. Sean said he'd prefer to work with JNT. Rock River Marina was supposed to do a boat tune up in spring and they didn't change the spark plugs, causing the boat to be down this summer. Sean said the boat is in great shape, but most patrols change out their motors every 2 years. The town got all 5 years of our DNR grant on our existing motor. If we sell the current motor outright, Sean said we don't have to deduct that money off of our new motor grant. Norm made a motion to buy the Yamaha 225HP from JNT's for \$17,055.65. Bob Strand seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Norm asked Sean to get a price on a new lift for early 2020.

Water drainage issue at N7627 E. Lakeshore Drive – Mr. Sherlock sent an email asking why there was only discussion and no action taken after the July 10 meeting on his water drainage issue. Bob went out there July 18 during heavy rain and the rain wasn't sufficient enough to fill the ditch on the east side of E. Lakeshore Drive so no water came through the culvert that goes under E. Lakeshore Drive to Cruse Lane. Bob said there was no issue at all that day. Norm said during the prior rain the water was running down Harmon's driveway and headed down toward Cruse Lane. Lowell said we had a lot of rain this spring and he believes that's where Mr. Sherlock got his water. Bob had Jaeckel ditch on Cruse Lane about a month ago, before Mr. Sherlock's first complaint. Bob said water comes onto his property from the south side as well. Norm said Mr. Sherlock doesn't want to wait for the next big rain. Bob said a concrete guy from Elkhorn suggested a concrete trough including final landscaping to the fence for a verbal price of \$10,000. It was a 4' sidewalk for 275' feet long. Lowell said a swail would be best. Bob said asphalt might be the best thing, but he's not found an asphalt company who can do it yet. Lowell will ask Merritt Asphalt if they'd price it out. Norm said we want to keep all of the water on our side so water doesn't go on Mr. Sherlock's property. Norm said another option is a culvert all the way down. Norm made a motion to get a price on asphalt and concrete as soon as possible. Bob seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Other town business – Bob took down a monstrous tree on Hi-Lo Road last weekend. He thinks Will's Tree Service needs to take care of one dangerous tree left standing. Norm made a motion to get a price on the tree on Hi-Lo. Seconded by Bob. Motion passed unanimously.

Norm made a motion to adjourn at 11:59am, seconded by Lowell. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Carrie Hintz, Clerk/Treasurer