

## TOWN OF HOLLAND BOARD MEETING

September 11, 2019

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	Chair Steve Michaels, Supervisors Jeff Herlitzke, Mike Hoffman, Jerome Pedretti, Robert Stupi
<b>STAFF PRESENT</b>	Clerk Marilyn Pedretti, Town Crew John Frauenkron

### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Michaels called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Notices were posted.

### MINUTES

Motion by J Pedretti/Herlitzke to approve the minutes of August 14<sup>th</sup>. **MOTION** carried.

**CITIZENS' CONCERNS:** none given.

### COUNTY SUPERVISOR REPORT

Matt Nikolay, County Board Supervisor, reported they have received the Administrator's budget which shows a mill rate decrease of 8 cents and with a levy increase of 2.89%. The budget does include \$5 million for borrowing for roads. He encouraged the Town to participate in discussions the County is conducting concerning nitrates and land development.

### PUBLIC WORKS

Mower repair/replacement: John Frauenkron, Town Crew Supervisor, reported the cost to repair the seat on the 2004 John Deere mower is approximately \$1,200. He reviewed the list of quotes received for both a z-turn mower and a utility tractor and listed the pros/cons. Doug Klenke, N6954 Sunrise Lane, suggested checking into other models such as the Ferris. Jared Noffke, N7105 Bice Avenue, suggested the better pricing will happen in the fall rather than the spring. Discussion followed concerning mowing speed, implement options, seat suspension and future needs. Motion by Hoffman/J Pedretti to get option 3A-2, the John Deere Z997 for \$11,070 with our trade in. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

2017 Dodge: Frauenkron explained the two quotes to install exterior warning lights on the 2017 Dodge. Discussion followed. Motion by Hoffman/J Pedretti to get our lights at Michaels installed on the chassis for \$1,235. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

Compost site security: Herlitzke reported on his research of providing security cameras for the compost site and estimated it would cost \$750 to provide a camera, antenna and router. It was the consensus to revisit this option during the 2020 budget discussions.

2019 road work to be completed: Clerk Pedretti reported on the County Highway Department's projected costs of fixing the Council Bay Road patch. She noted they will add a patch to A Johnson Road at the same time. Frauenkron reported Wolfe Road is projected to be fixed this fall.

Snow plowing contractor: Clerk Pedretti reported on her research in contracting with several local companies. Discussion followed. It was the consensus to place an ad in the paper for a quote to provide service using the contractor's own equipment.

Town crew updates: Frauenkron highlighted several areas on their written report.

### PLAN COMMISSION

Shared Driveway: Stupi reported the Plan Commission discussed the road maintenance agreement and they recommended approval with some corrections and with deed restrictions on each lot. Motion by Hoffman/Herlitzke to approve the driveway use and maintenance

agreement for Cordell Adamson, N8210 Amsterdam Prairie Road. **MOTION** carried unanimously. Adamson thanked the Town for working with them on this issue.

CUP cell tower: Chris Henshue, c/o Cloud 1, requested a conditional use permit to construct a 350' tall guy wire cell tower at W6480 County Road V. He explained the topography required a 350 feet tower, that there will be two beacons, they will use the current driveway and the original fall zone was adjusted so as not to affect the right-of-way. Stupi reported the Plan Commission approved 5 to 1. Discussion followed. Motion by Herlitzke/J Pedretti to approve the Conditional Use Permit for Chris Henshue, Cloud, 1 at W6480 County Road V. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

Drainage issues/mitigation update: Stupi reported the Plan Commission talked about the Request for Proposals, which will be discussed later in this agenda.

Report on 9/4/19 meeting: Stupi reported the Plan Commission thanked Mitch Cholewa for his 17 years of service and wished him well in his move out-of-state.

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Burning ordinance & permit fees: J Pedretti reported this was discussed at the Holmen Area Fire Department (HAFD) board meeting and the Town of Onalaska was happy with the current ordinance. Discussion followed concerning abuse, option to limit the number of permits per year and safety. Fire Chief Manley stated that since they issue the permits, they wanted to understand the Town's intent. He noted they will continue educating the public and he suggested a blurb on the municipalities web sites might help. Herlitzke suggested monitoring the situation and reporting back should changes be needed.

Fireworks permits: Clerk Pedretti provided background information from the Wisconsin Towns Association and from clerks around the state. Chief Manley asked if there was a timeframe in which people could request permits. Clerk Pedretti noted the Town issues permits throughout the year.

2020 preliminary budget: Chief Manley highlighted several areas in the preliminary 2020 budget. He discussed staffing, the Safer Grant process, ideas to support 24/7 and the accumulated interest from the state savings account.

Report on 8/21/19 meeting: Chief Manley reviewed the minutes and discussed the La Crosse Area Planning Committee meetings. He explained the RAVE and Code Red notification systems. He noted a concern with driveway accessibility and the need to educate the public.

## **RFP: STORMWATER PROPOSALS**

Stupi reported the Town received two proposals to address stormwater issues in three areas of the Town. Discussion followed concerning process. It was the consensus to send it back to the Plan Commission for their review and input. Stupi will schedule a special meeting. Steve Mieden, N7123 Bice Avenue, asked to be informed of that meeting date.

## **COULEE REGION JOINT MUNICIPAL COURT**

Hoffman suggested that, if the Town was not writing citations, we should withdraw from the court. Discussion followed. Motion by Hoffman/Stupi recommending that we withdraw from the Coulee Regional Joint Municipal Court. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

## **TOWN COMPUTERS**

Clerk Pedretti reviewed information concerning the need to upgrade from current Windows 7 to Windows 10 to be compliant with the state elections system. She presented a quote for the work

as well as upgrading computer support. It was the consensus to continue the discussion at the 2020 budget meeting.

**TREASURER’S REPORT AND BILLS TO PAY**

The August Treasurer’s report and September invoices were reviewed. Clerk Pedretti noted an additional \$65 check will need to be issued for the WTA workshop on September 27<sup>th</sup>. Michaels noted the Farmington invoice is a big increase from past billing and suggested we look at alternatives. Item will be addressed at the budget meeting. Motion by Hoffman/Stupi to approve the bills in the amount of \$67,722.47. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS – FUTURE AGENDA**

The budget workshop was adjusted from the previous suggestion of 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>.

**ADJOURN**

Motion by J Pedretti/Hoffman to adjourn. **MOTION** carried unanimously. Adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marilyn J. Pedretti, Town Clerk