

Town of Oulu
Regular Board Meeting
Town Hall
October 8, 2014 ~ 6:47 p.m. ~ 7:45 p.m.

The October 8, 2014 Town of Oulu regular board meeting was called to order at 6:47 p.m. at the Town Hall by Chair Sandra Rantala.

Roll Call: Members present: Terry Egbert, Sandra Rantala, Duane Reijo, Diana Reijo, clerk. Absent and excused: Marjorie Lahti. Town employee/s: Dale Nelson and Jonathan Nelson.

Consent Agenda: Motion by D. Reijo, second by T. Egbert to approve the consent agenda:

- Approve general fund vouchers 11236-11265
- Minutes of the September 10, 2014 regular and October 3, 2014 board meetings.

Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: General Fund \$ 37,622.60 and Tax Account \$ 34,008.03.

Community groups or individuals:

- Fred Strand – regarding town grader

Plan Commission Report: F. Strand

F. Strand reported the Plan Commission has completed their review of the Comprehensive Plan and have made changes to the Plan. There are no changes to the Future Land Use map. The Plan Commission recommends and requests that at the November meeting, the Town Board schedule a Public Hearing for January 14, 2015 regarding adoption of the amended Plan. Following the Public Hearing the Plan Commission will meet to consider the public comments and consider a resolution to amended Plan.

F. Strand expressed his gratitude for all the work the clerk put in typing an electronic version of the Comprehensive Plan.

New Business:

Resolution – Designating officials registering voters on election day:

Motion by D. Reijo, second by T. Egbert to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town of Oulu, Bayfield County, Wisconsin wishes to comply with Wisconsin State Statute § 6.55(2)(c) which provides that the municipality may provide by resolution that voters go to a readily accessible location in the same building at the polling place to register; and

WHEREAS, the current polling place has space available to be set aside for registrations in the same area where the voting takes place that complies with Wisconsin State Statutes § 6.55; and

WHEREAS, the integrity of the election process is of utmost importance and will be maintained by this process,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Oulu, Bayfield County, Wisconsin, does hereby resolve that the registration will be in the presence of the clerk or election inspector; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Registration location will be clearly labeled by the town clerk or election inspector.

The town clerk shall properly post or publish this resolution as required under s. 60.80, Wis. Stats.

Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Grader:

Discussion was held on the transmission going out on the grader. The engine on the grader was rebuilt about 5 years ago, steel shavings were found in the transmission and the Board's concern now is how it will affect the hydraulics. A proposal was received from Nortrax giving a quote on a 2014 John Deere grader.

Motion by D. Reijo, second by T. Egbert to purchase the 2014 John Deere grader from Nortrax for \$239,200 at 2.5% interest for 84 months. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Snowplowing rates:

Discussion was held regarding the snowplowing rate increase that was approved at the August meeting. Following the September meeting the Town Board received a Wisconsin Towns publication regarding increasing service rates. If the rate was increased by \$25 the Board would have to reduce their levy limits by the amount of the increase.

Motion by T. Egbert, second by D. Reijo to rescind the motion for the \$25 snowplowing increase and refund the \$25 already paid for snowplowing by the taxpayers. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Supervisor D. Reijo wanted to let the taxpayers know they can donate the \$25 to the town.

Road Maintenance Report – D. Nelson

- Roads are in good shape.
- Wing on the truck is almost done.
- Need to patch the blacktop on Town Line Road by Ruska's.
- The approach to the bridge on Airport Road needs to be raised up.
- Gravel – need to stockpile some at the garage
- The bridge on Kaukamo Road was undermined
- Park mower needs a new engine – this will be a winter project

Correspondence:

- Dept. of Natural Resources – Transfer of Managed Forest Land from Derrick Backaus to Dirk Stolz
- Northwest Regional Planning Commission – poster regarding funds that are available to income-eligible clients in Bayfield County

Set Date/s for Next Meeting/s:

- “Budget Working meeting” scheduled for Friday, October 24, 2014, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the town hall.
- Regular Board meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 12, 2014 beginning at 6:45 p.m. at the town hall. Bills will be reviewed at 6:30 p.m.

Closed Session:

Motion by T. Egbert, second by D. Reijo to adjourn to closed session as per Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (1)(c) to discuss employee/s contract and compensation at 7:35 p.m. YES: T. Egbert, S. Rantala, D. Reijo. NO: None. ABSTAIN: None. ABSENT: None. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Adjournment – Motion by D. Reijo to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diana Reijo, Clerk

APPROVED: November 12, 2014