

Town Of Bell
ANNUAL MEETING
April 19, 2016
7:00p.m.
at the Community Center

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were Matt Lazorik, Mike O'Bryon, Vicki Lewis Hay, Janice Olson, Yvette Fleming, Lynda Nedden Durst and MaryBeth Tillmans. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Presentations

- Siskiwit River Protection and Access- Erika Lang
The Bayfield Conservancy(BRC), Town of Bell and Swenson family are working together for the Town of Bell to purchase the 92 acre Swenson property, with a conservation easement with the Bayfield Conservancy. Grants will be used to help fund the purchase. The transfer is expected at the end of 2017. Stewardship fund raising will be done. The questions was asked, "Is the project consistent with what the community wants? Is the Town of Bell willing to write a letter of support regarding ownership? Is the town willing to work with the BRC on a long term commitment?". No financial commitment is necessary now. The Town Board will have this on the May Town Board meeting agenda.
- Town Road Update—Matt Hipsher, Town Crew Foreman
The following report was given in a PowerPoint presentation:

What we did in 2015

1. South Stone Road – stumping
2. Klemick –ROW (Right of Way) clearing
3. Elm, Huron, Ash – pulverized
4. Roman Point Road – Ditch cleaning
5. Swale paved by DOT at the marina
6. Material hauled to pit for crushing
7. Calcium Chloride spreading – high use areas

2016 Plans

1. Mountain Road improvement (2016 County forest grant)
 - . Ditch cleaning/widening
 - . Sub-cutting of clay with stabilization
 - . Adding surface gravel
2. Roman's Point
 - . Ditch cleaning/widening
 - . Culvert replacement
 - . Adding surface gravel
 - . Applying CaCL for dust control
 - . Removing roadside obstructions (trees/brush)
3. Siskiwit Shores Road
 - . Ditch cleaning/widening
 - . Possible sub-cutting of clay with stabilization
 - . Adding surface gravel
 - . Applying CaCL for dust control
4. Superior Ave
 - . Ditch cleaning/widening
 - . Adding additional parking lane

2016 Plans (cont.)

5. Klemik Road
- . ROW is cleared
 - . Awaiting DNR approval for stump removal
 - . Ditch cleaning/widening

Purchased gravel for 2016 will be placed on:

Stage, Siskiwit Shores, Romans Point, Blueberry, and Mountain roads

CaCl will be spread on:

Roman's Point, Blueberry Lane, Old 13, Siskiwit Lake, and Siskiwit Shores roads.

We are working on a rotation for the dust control, and we only have two loads for this year again. The hope is to have a residual effect from what we did in 2015. We base its use on the frequency of maintenance treatments required. Our hope is to develop a rotation for all our high use roads.

We are always looking for places close to our work sites to dispose of excavations. If you have a need, let us know.

Minutes were read by M. Tillmans. Bill Draeger made a motion to approve the minutes and Jackie Eid 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

.Treasurer's reports were read by Lynda Nedden Durst. Ernie Korpela made a motion to approve the reports and B. Draeger 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

Vicki Lewis Hay and Yvette Fleming were sworn in as Supervisors.

.Selection of Town Attorney, Bank and Official Newspaper.

- A motion was made by James Kaseno to retain the services of Jack Carlson as the town attorney and it was second by Susan Keachie. Unanimous decision.
- A motion was made by Jackie Eid to retain the services of Bremer Bank as the town's bank. It was second by Yvette Fleming. Unanimous decision.
- A motion was made by Al Reedy to have The Ashland Daily Press as the town's official newspaper. It was second by Lynda Nedden Durst. Unanimous decision.

.Set date for 2015 Annual Town Meeting

- The date for the next annual town meeting was set for Tuesday, April 18, 2017.

-Person of the Year/Good Citizen Award

.Eleanor Chernoff was chosen for being the somebody in the community. She has been on the Historical Museum Committee, Parks and Land Committee and the Scenic Byway Committee.

Ernie Korpela made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. and Susan Keachie 2nd the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

MaryBeth Tillmans - Clerk