

**TOWN OF BELL
BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, June 11, 2013
following the Board of Review
at the Town of Bell Community Center**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. Board members present were Bill Sloan, Mike O'Bryon, Vicki Lewis-Hay, Matt Lazorik, Lin Smith, and MaryBeth Tillmans.

Lynda Nedden Durst was absent

- Minutes from the last monthly town board meeting were reviewed by the board members.

V. Lewis-Hay made a motion to approve the minutes and M. O'Byron 2nd the motion. Approved.

-Minutes from the Special Board Meeting on May 21, 2013 were reviewed by the board members. M. O'Byron made a motion to approve the minutes and V. Lewis-Hay 2nd the motion. Approved.

-Treasurer's Report – The report was given by M. Tillmans. V. Lewis-Hay made a motion to approve the report and M. O'Byron 2nd the motion. Approved.

Old Business:

1. Permission to trap nuisance beavers—authorization

M. O'Bryon made a motion to give permission to trap and remove nuisance beavers on town land and right of ways. M. Lazorik 2nd the motion. Unanimous decision. Approved.

2. Planning Commission Vacancies- Appointing commissioners

M. Lazorik made a motion to appoint Larry Chernoff and Max Taubert as commissioners of the Planning Commission and B. Sloan 2nd the motion. Unanimous decision. Approved.

3. Update on George Sveda's retirement process

George has made application for retirement through a counselor at the County. By all accounts he has an excellent representative. The program allows him no more than \$1000 a month in GROSS wages which will mean that George can work for about 42 hours a month for pay. In addition we can provide his health coverage for approximately 40 hours a month. Matt and George and Bill have worked out a game plan that accommodates George's situation for the coming months as he moves through the process.

In July we will begin the process of hiring a new full time crew member with the expectation that the new employee would come on board in September or October.

4. Gravel for residents at Town prices—update

When opening the bids we asked the successful bidders if they would provide gravel to Townsfolk at the same price and they were not able to do so without increasing the price to the Town to allow for differences in transport and time required.

5. Mid-term letter to property owners on coming events

A draft letter was reviewed. It will be sent out in the middle July.

New Business:

1. Liquor License Renewal Approvals–Ehlers Store, The Good Earth Shop, O’Byron’s Village Inn and The Gas Station plus transfer of existing liquor license to the Gas Station for the remainder of the current year.
M. O’Byron made a motion to approve the licenses and V. Lewis-Hay 2nd the motion. Unanimous decision. Approved.
2. Reservation System for Green Shed and Pavilion
M. O’Byron made a motion to institute a reservation fee of \$20.00 for the pavilion by the flowing well and picnic area of the Green Shed. M. Lazorik 2nd the motion. Approved. Unanimous decision.
3. Appointing acting Town Chairman
Bill Sloan will be away for two weeks. Matt Lazorik was asked to act as chair, while Bill is away. He has agreed to do it.
4. Open Records Request from Christopher P. Hudachek
A records request letter was received from Christopher Hudachek with a list of various records pertaining to the land swap between the Town of Bell and the Tillmans. It is a lengthy request. Certified letters are being sent out to all past/present town board members or officials of town committees or commissions, during the period which the records are being requested to obtain their records. They are being given twenty-one days after the receipt of the letter to respond by. Records that are in the immediate possession of the clerk are being mailed to him tomorrow.

Committee/Project Reports:

- Fire Department/Ambulance-The fire department had one call for a down tree. The South Shore Ambulance had four runs in Port Wing, one in Clover and one in Bell. There may possibly be six new EMT’s.
- Roads-They are putting in culverts. Half of the gravel has been delivered. They are beginning to work on Klemick
- Planning Commission-Superior St. will be on the agenda for next year.
- Harbor Committee-Working with the DNR on the wetland and dredging.
- Marina-Remodeled bathrooms are almost done.
- Parks and Lands/Green Shed-There are three new port-o-potties. There are two at Siskiwit Lake and one at the marina. There are two new storm doors on the Green Shed. Two Thousand dollars has been received from the Wisconsin Humanity Council for the Green Shed. They are working on obtaining more grants. The museum will open on Thur., June 20th. The wine tasting funding raiser for the museum will be on Wed., Aug 14th.
- Community Center-It has been pretty quiet. Three W.I.T.C. classes have been cancelled.
- Town Crier/Library-L. Smith has not gotten together with Roger Peck about the town crier on the web site.
- Recycling Center-The cardboard baler is working great and bales are being made.
- Airport-Nothing
- Cornucopia Business Association-They have three new members. They are about to get a new website. There will be bike tours in town on June 22nd and July 17th.
- Scenic Byways Committee-New signs are up. Commercial things are in the works.

Cornucopia Club- Fish fry is coming up. They are considering other projects for the fall.
The raffle tickets for the Fish Fry are out.

Bills were paid. At 8:50 p.m. M. Lazorik made a motion to adjourn the meeting and
M. O'Bryon 2nd the motion. Approved.

Respectfully submitted,

MaryBeth Tillmans - Clerk