Monthly Town Board Meeting – March 16, 2015

Mukwa Town Hall, E8514 Weyauwega Rd., Northport

9 in attendance

A Moment of Silence for Cathy Stern, Mukwa Clerk, Treasurer & Plan Commission Member for many years.

Chairman Curns called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Notification of this meeting was given to the Press on March 8, 2015 and the final agenda was posted in the three designated places on March 13, 2015.

Roll call of Officers: Jim Curns, Chairman – Present; Lee Shaw, Supervisor 1 – Present;

Matt Manske, Supervisor 2 - Present; Brenda Grove, Treasurer - Present; Jeannette Zielinski, Clerk - Present.

All Meetings/Hearings will adhere to Robert's Rules of Order Pursuant to Town of Mukwa Ordinance 10-05.

<u>Approve</u>: (a)<u>February 16, 2015 Monthly Town Board Meeting Minutes:</u> Motion was made by Supervisor Shaw with a second by Supervisor Manske to approve the February 16, 2015 Monthly Town Board Meeting Minutes as printed. Motion carried.

<u>Treasurer</u>: <u>Approve Monthly Treasurer's Report</u>: Read by Treasurer Grove. Motion was made by Supervisor Shaw and seconded by Supervisor Manske to accept the February 28, 2015 Treasurer's Report as read & printed. Motion carried.

<u>Budget/Vouchers</u>: <u>Approval & Payment of Vouchers</u>: Motion was made by Chairman Curns/Supervisor Shaw to approve payment of Vouchers 25553 through 25582, dated February 17, 2015 through March 16, 2015; and Direct Withdrawal of Social Security, Medicare & Federal Taxes of \$1,090.30, for a total of \$36,010.60. Motion carried.

<u>Chris Martinson – Candidate for New London School Board:</u> Mr. Martinson was present to introduce himself as a candidate for the upcoming April 7th New London School Board Election.

Public Forum - Town of Mukwa Residents: None

<u>Building Inspector</u>: Report read by Supervisor Shaw. Motion to approve the monthly Building Inspector's report as presented & read was made by Supervisor Shaw with a second to the motion made by Supervisor Manske. Motion carried.

Animal Control Officer: (a) Animal Report Forms: None. (b) Citation Letter/s: None.

Approve Conditional Use Permits: (a)Joe & Gloria Swedesky – Cut-Off Road: Mr. & Mrs. Swedesky were present to answer any questions & explain their project – water damage to existing home & under County Zoning a Conditional Use Permit is needed as the new home (mobile) does not meet the Counties minimum width requirement. Motion to approve a Conditional Use Permit for Joe & Gloria Swedesky to replace their mobile home on Cut-Off Road was made by Chairman Curns and a second to the motion was made by Supervisor Shaw. Motion carried. (b)Dave & Mary Drath – Cut-Off Road: Mr. & Mrs. Drath were also present to answer questions & explain their project. The Drath's recently purchased property on Cut-Off Road & would like to replace the current recreational vehicle with a newer one. Supervisor Shaw made a motion to approve a Conditional Use Permit for Dave & Mary Drath to replace their camping trailer on Cut-Off Road. Supervisor Manske gave a second to the motion. Motion carried.

Adopt-Ordinance 1-15 – Establishing Procedures & Criteria for Allowing Alternative Forms of Sworn Testimony at Board of Review (BOR) Hearings: Clerk Zielinski read the Ordinance. Motion to Adopt Ordinance 1-15 – Establishing Procedures & Criteria for Allowing Alternative Forms of Sworn Testimony at Board of Review Hearings was made by Supervisor Shaw and second to the motion was made by Supervisor Manske. Aye: 3 No: 0 Motion carried.

Whereas, Sec. 70.47(8), Wisconsin Statutes authorizes the Board of Review to consider requests from a property owner or the property owner's representative to appear before the Board under oath by telephone or to submit written statements under oath to the Board of Review;

Now Therefore the Town Board of Mukwa, Waupaca County does ordain as follows:

1. PROCEDURE:

In order for a property owner or property owner's representative to submit a request to testify by phone or submit a sworn written statement, he or she must first comply with the following procedures:

(a) The legal requirement to provide Notice of Intent to Appear at the Board of Review (BOR) must be satisfied; (b) An Objection Form for Real Property Assessment (PA-115A) must be completed & submitted to the Board of Review (BOR) as required by law.

After the two requirements outlined above have been met, a Request to Testify by Telephone or Submit a Sworn Written Statement at Board of Review (Form PA-814) may be submitted to the Municipal Clerk. Such requests must be submitted in time to be considered by the Board at the first meeting of the Board of Review (BOR).

2. CRITERIA TO BE CONSIDERED:

The Board may consider any or all of the following factors when deciding whether to grant or deny the request:

- (a) The requester's stated reason/s for the request as indicated on the PA-814
- (b) Fairness to the parties
- (c) Ability of the requester to procure in person oral testimony & any due diligence exhibited by the requester in procuring such testimony
 - (d) Ability to cross-examine the person providing the testimony
 - (e) The Board of Review's technical capacity to honor the request
 - (f) Any other factors that the Board deems pertinent to deciding the request

This ordinance shall be effective upon publication or posting by the town clerk as required, pursuant to s. 60.80, Wis. Stat.

The above and foregoing ordinance was adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Mukwa, Waupaca County, Wisconsin, at a meeting held on the <u>16th</u> day of <u>March</u>, <u>2015</u>.

Aye <u>3</u>

/s/Jim Curns, Town Chairman /s/Lee Shaw, Supervisor #1 /s/Matt Manske, Supervisor #2

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Code of Ordinance Published:
Posted at: Northport Convenience Center:
Bean City Bar & Grill:

Mukwa Town Hall: 3/16/13
Adoption of Ordinance Published: 3/19/15

<u>Wolf River Preservation Meeting Follow-up:</u> (a) <u>Winter Boat Storage:</u> Discussion. Chairman Curns made a motion to offer space in the Town's shed to the Wolf River Preservation group for boat storage. Supervisor Manske made a second to the motion. Motion carried. (b) <u>Annual Fee:</u> Discussion. Advised that the fee will probably need to be increased in the future, but is \$600.00 for 2015.

<u>Landfill:</u> (a)<u>Attendant:</u> Road Maintenance, Rick Bunnell agreed to take over as the Town Landfill (brush landfill) attendant. Will set-up a schedule & add to April Agenda. (b)<u>Chipping/Shredding:</u> Chairman Curns has been attempting to contact Mr. Ort to see if he has the equipment needed. Will add to April Agenda.

Annual Meeting – April 21st at 7:00 p.m.: (a) Clarify Annual Meeting Plan: Chairman Curns explained the Town's concerns about lack of funding for roads & asked Jessica Beckendorf, Waupaca County UW Extension Community Development Educator to see if she would be available to help facilitate the Annual Meeting. Discussion. Chairman Curns made a motion that the Town ask Jessica to attend the April 21st Annual Meeting to help facilitate. A second to the motion was made by Supervisor Manske. Aye: 2 No: 0 Motion carried.

Roads: (a) Monthly Report: Attempting to fill potholes & patch, but still too wet to be effective. (b) Road Equipment-Report/Repairs/ Purchases Needed: Sander auger is OK – will monitor. (c) 2015 Road Projects-Prepare Bids: Chairman Curns asked representatives from MCC to be present. Discussion & follow-up to February Meeting on the roads proposed for possible repairs. Needed clarification and to ask additional questions before submitting a Request for Proposals (RFP) for 2015 road projects. Will be added to April Agenda.

(d)Rescind Ordinance 5-09 (South Larry Road as a Restrictive 15-Ton) – Per WI DOT & Wisconsin Town Association: Chairman Curns discussed his findings from conversations with WI DOT & Wisconsin Town's Association regarding this Ordinance. Board agreed that spring weight limits will always be posted. Supervisor Shaw recommended that a new Ordinance should be put in place before rescinding. Chairman Curns quoted DOT that there should be no arbitrary limits on roads that can withstand the traffic. Chairman Curns made a motion to Rescind Ordinance 5-09 with a second to the motion made by Supervisor Manske. Aye: 2 No: 1 Motion carried. (e)Waupaca County Highway Department – 2015/16 Salt Quantity Request: Information reviewed on quantities used in the past. Discussion. Motion to request 115 tons of salt for the 2015/16 season from the Waupaca County Highway Department was made by Supervisor Shaw with a second to the motion made by Supervisor Manske. Aye: 3 No: 0 Motion carried. (f)Set Annual Road Viewing Date/s: Discussion. Board agreed to set the Annual Road Viewing for Wednesday, April 8th starting at 8:00 a.m. Board will meet at Chairman Curns house & work from there. If additional date is needed, it will be posted.

Meetings/Training/Waupaca County Zoning Hearings: Attended: (1)Chairman Curns & Supervisor Shaw attended the February 19th-Waupaca County Towns Association Meeting-Manawa; (2)Supervisor's Shaw & Manske attended the February 25th — Wisconsin Towns Association — Agricultural Community Engagement Seminar — Green Bay; (3)February — Wisconsin Towns Association District Meetings — Various Dates/Locations. Clerk Zielinski attended the February 14th Session in Ripon. Supervisor Shaw attended the February 20th Session in De Pere. (4)Chairman Curns attended the March 5th — Wolf River Preservation Association Meeting — Fremont Village Hall. Upcoming:

Correspondence Received: (a) NLFD – Request for Donation for Fire Prevention Education: Clerk Zielinski advised that education is a part of the responsibility of receiving funds through the 2% Fire Dues program. It is not mandatory to contribute to this program. Supervisor Shaw made a motion to donate \$55.00 as a sponsorship for 50 students as a "Public Service by People Who Care" Program. Supervisor Manske made a second to the motion. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn was made by Chairman Curns. Second made by Supervisor Manske. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Jeannette Zielinski, Municipal Clerk

Emergency Town Board Meeting – March 18, 2015

Madden Road

All Board Members Present/MCC/Casey Excavating

Approximately 8:00 a.m. Chairman Curns asked the Board to meet on-site on Madden Road as conditions were changing quickly & the road deteriorated substantially in a short period of time. MCC and Doug Casey, Casey Excavating were asked to be present to discuss conditions & possible options for repair. Discussion. At this time, until the road dries out, nothing can be done. Felt the best & safest option at this time is to keep all traffic off of this road. This will be added to the April Monthly Town Board Meeting Agenda for follow-up. At approximately 8:45 a.m. a motion was made by Supervisor Shaw to close Madden Road from State Highway 54 to the driveway at N4737 Madden Road. A second to the motion was made by Supervisor Manske. Aye: 3 No: 0 Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeannette Zielinski, Municipal Clerk