

MINUTES
TOWN OF NEW GLARUS
Regular Town Board Meeting
Town Hall – 26 5th Avenue, New Glarus
August 10, 2016, 7:00 p.m.

ATTENDING: Board Members: Chris Narveson, Dean Streiff, Susan Crum, Jim Hoesly, Robert Elkins, and Pattie Salter.

ALSO ATTENDING: Steve and Mike Marty and Tim Schleeper

C. Narveson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

- 1) **Proof of Posting:** Clerk/Treasurer Salter attested to proper proof of posting.
- 2) **Approve Town Board Minutes:**
 - a) 07/06/2016 Road Discontinuation Public Hearing: D. Streiff moved to approve the minutes as presented S. Crum 2nd motion carried.
 - b) 07/06/2016 Regular Town Board Meeting: J. Hoesly moved to approve the minutes as presented R. Elkins 2nd Motion carried.
- 3) **Engineers Report/Pioneer Road Progress:**
 - a) Progress Report – Consider Change Orders - T. Schleeper presented change orders for Payne and Doyle and Meise Construction and requested payment for the estimated costs. C. Narveson explained that because the project's change order was such a significant amount we could try to apply for some funding to cover some of the additional expense. The difference is approximately \$75,000. B. Elkins noted that there are steep grade signs that could be posted, but if we can get 50% funding for the additional work we should try for it. J. Hoesly moved to turn down the pricing for Pioneer Road Reconstruction in the amount of \$74,840.35, R. Elkins 2nd. Motion Carried. T. Schleeper recommended putting a center line on the reconstructed area of the road. P. Salter will call the County for a quote on a center line with an alternate bid for sides.
 - b) Dahlk Road Update –T. Schleeper presented a brief timeline of the Dahlk Road. He noted that the road is in fairly good shape. After reviewing the area, he recommended adding an additional lift, cutting out the alligator spots and adding a culvert. T. Schleeper suggested notifying the residents that since the road is not built to Town standards the Town would no longer maintain it. The cost to bring the road up to standard would be approximately \$25,000 which does not include a culvert. Without objection, the Clerk will send a letter out to the Dahlk Road residents to invite them to our next meeting.
- 4) **Public Comments:**
- 5) **Parks Report:**
 - a) The new Town of New Glarus Sign and Shield have been delivered. P. Salter reviewed slight variances with coloration and drop shadows. The town board felt they were acceptable and thought maybe Dan Clark or Dave Anderson could help us install the shield on the Tower.
 - b) The Parks Commission presented the Boy Scouts with their check.
 - c) Ron Starts working full-time on approximately September 1. Ron, Dennis, Meagan and Pattie met earlier to review the landscaping plans. Dennis and Ron asked for better direction as far as scope of project, timeframe and priorities. C. Narveson noted that Ron will begin with the Town Hall curb, parking lot and then work on the landscaping. P. Salter clarified that she and Maegan talked about the landscaping plan. Maegan had noted that the Parks Commission had been discussing changing the master gardeners' plan. C. Narveson noted that the Parks Commission had decided not to install the rain garden or the vegetation along the East side of the building, but everything else should be ok. C. Narveson suggested that Ron should attend the next Parks meeting for better directions.
- 6) **Plan Commission:**
 - a) Bug Tussel Driveway Permit Request: C. Narveson explained that Mike is holding up issuing the driveway permit because they do not have a building permit. Mike had invited the Bug Tussle people to attend the Plan Commission meeting to discuss changes to the plan. S. Crum would like to see Bug Tussel attend a joint meeting with the Town Board and the Plan Commission for a presentation. P. Salter will follow-up with M. Fenley to try to get them to attend an informational meeting.

b) **Marty CSM Review:** Mike Marty explained that they are splitting a non-buildable lot off their original homestead. Mr. Marty reported that they wanted to keep the undeveloped lot for personal use. The only change to the Marty CSM presented is that it accommodates the ETZ review and approval. D. Streiff moved to approve the Marty CSM as presented. S. Crum 2nd. Motion carried. Without objection the Town Chairman signed the County's approval form. The original CSM will need to go before the ETZ committee for review.

7) **Utility Subcommittee Report:** S. Crum reported that Bug Tussel is an cell tower internet service provider out of Green Bay. Bug Tussel will be using the proposed tower to provide tower to antenna internet service. The farthest South they currently serve is Spring Green. They are currently building 3 new towers in Sauk City as well. They also provide dish service so they will be able to offer an antenna internet/dish TV service package . S. Crum noted that their antenna based internet service is faster than Satellite and DSL but slower than fiber optics and cable. S. Crum noted that they are competing with the US Cellular towers that are being built in Lafayette County.

S. Crum reported that Harry Pullium invited a speaker from VinKom to attend the Utility Subcommittee meeting. They are an independent, private internet service company out of Schaumburg, IL. They use fiber optics and antenna connectivity to provide high speed internet. They were not able to give any pricing since they did not know what resources were available to relay off of. She noted that there is fiber optic cable that runs up 69 from Monroe, through Monticello to New Glarus and up to Madison. Susan and Chris suspected that it is owned by TDS but didn't know for sure. The representative from VinKom could find out who owns it, but they were not willing to do so for free. J. Hoesly noted that InterCom ran fiber a few years ago. In closing, S. Crum reported that she did not know if this company would be the solution for the Town of New Glarus. TDS is at capacity in our area and run into connectivity problems later at night because there are too many people in the pipeline. There is a group in Southwestern Wisconsin who are working with a company out of Iowa and making use of US Cellular towers.

Mark Pohan has an interest in bringing fiber optics to rural areas. There is not currently a Green County technology committee. She was disappointed that Green County wasn't working on this. S. Crum reported that there was a Federal Court overturned by a judge in Virginia that is mandating that internet be treated like utility companies so that everyone has equal access to the internet. Big companies are not interested because it will be expensive to integrate. P. Salter remembered seeing a fiber optics survey on Facebook. She will try to locate it and forward it to S. Crum. Salter also shared information on the August 17th WTA meeting at the Justice Center, C. Narveson and S. Crum plan to attend. S. Crum is preparing a survey to send to the residents. She would like to find out who our audience is.

8) **Finance Committee Report:**

- a) **Accounts Receivable Aging List:** The Reis' have paid their bill. Only the \$742.61 is a past due personal property bill.
- b) **Accounting Reports w/Monthly Bank Reconciliation:** May Statements and reconciliation was distributed. P. Salter explained cash flow. C. Narveson asked about the running totals on the statement. Salter will ask Town Hall about the figures. Salter suspects that the figures represent data that was transferred when the system was implemented.
- c) **Approval and Payment of Bills:** D. Streiff moved to approve checks 18538-18579. There are two additional checks 18580 & 18581 for Miese and Payne and Dolan. R. Elkins 2nd. Motion carried.

9) **Clerk-Treasurer Report:**

- a) **Picnic Licenses were issued to:**
 - i) Swiss Volksfest - August 7, 2016
 - ii) Wilhelm Tell Drama - September 3 & 4, 2016
- b) **Driveway Permit Refunds**
 - i) W5484 Highland Drive - Luke Olson
 - ii) W6710 Legler Valley Road - Eric Moldenhauer
- c) **Correspondence:**
 - i) Notice of ETZ meeting for Steve and Diane Marty - Village Hall 8/18/16 at 6 p.m.

10) **Chairman's Report:**

- a) **CAFO and Large Development Effects Committee:** Meeting is scheduled for 8/29 at 7:00 p.m. Members include Susan Crum, Chris Narveson, Dean Streiff, John Freitag, Duane Sherven and Harry Pulliam. The first meeting will have representatives from the DNR who will discuss the permitting process.

- b) Gleason Drainage Issue Follow-up: C. Narveson reported that Mr. Gleason will pay for materials and R. Roesslein will do the work. The old culvert will be removed most likely in the spring.
- c) New Business:
 - i) S. Crum attended the EMS Annual Meeting on Monday Night. She reported that represented the Town of New Glarus, there was a representative from the Town of Montrose 2 people from Monticello and Denise Anton Wright and her husband John were there on behalf of the Village of New Glarus. Director, Kristy Mueller documented their call volume and call response times on average were 8.5 minutes. There response time was actually better than Dane County. Crum stated that the EMS currently have 2 rigs and plan to keep the per person rate at \$18.78 over the next 3 years on their contracts. Among other questions covered were staffing the ambulances with paramedics. Director Mueller reported that they did not have the staff or population to support the service and it would double their costs. Monticello will be meeting on 8/25 to discuss their plans for EMS. Green County Service actually currently only service Monroe. Crum reported that it appears that Green County EMS is offering their service at no cost to Monticello. S. Crum reported that she did not see any inadequacies in the service the New Glarus EMS provides.

S. Crum noted that both she and Denise Anton Wright requested representation on their board. S. Crum reported that the EMS uses Lifequest for their billing services. It was a positive meeting both with service and cost.

- 11) Schedule Next Board Meeting: September 13, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.
- 12) Closed Session per §19.85(1)@ to consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility: R. Elkins moved, J. Hoesly 2nd. C. Narveson called for a roll call vote. S. Crum voted aye, R. Elkins voted aye, C. Narveson voted aye, J. Hoesly voted aye, D. Streiff voted aye. Motion carried. Closed Session adjourned at 9:45 p.m.
- 13) Return to Public Session: 9:30 p.m. D. Streiff moved to return to open session. J. Hoesly 2nd. Motion carried.
- 14) Action on Closed Session: C. Narveson moved to offer Ron Roesslein a full time Patrolman position beginning September 1 at Dennis' current rate with a probationary period until January first. R. Elkins 2nd. Motion carried
- 15) Adjourn: D. Streiff moved to adjourn at 9:35. R. Elkins 2nd. Motion carried.