

Board Meeting
May 12, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Fred Belay, Chair, at 6:30 pm at the Town of Union town hall. People in attendance were: Supervisors – Jeff Bechard, Jeff Whyte, Deb Smith, Gloria Bloom, Clerk – Beverly Christopherson, and see attached list of visitors. Treasurer Polly Jensen was absent.

Flag Salute

Plan Commission – Nothing for this meeting.

Blasting Ordinance/Truck Hauling Ordinance – Truck Hauling Ordinance will be table till next Board Meeting . Gloria Bloom made motion to table to give all board members time to go over the draft, Jeff Bechard seconded the motion. No Oppose, motion carries.

Roads – Updates – Decisions & Bids – Everything will be handled just like last year. Fred will do a separate bid for crack fill and double chip seal. Will open bids Monday prior to Board Meeting and at the Board meeting on Tuesday we will announce bid winners. Need to Seal Coat the Fire Station and some crack fill.

Blue Ox Festival – Three different music festivals are being held this year on the Country Jam grounds. The three festivals will be Blue Ox, Country Jam, and Eaux Claire’s Music Festival. Jim Bischel from Country Jam was present at the meeting; he is also having the Blue Ox Festival. Blue Ox is only being held on the Whispering Pines Campground. He has applied for all the licensing he needs. Blue Ox did send out letters to all neighbors regarding this festival, they did not hear anything back from any of them. Rod Eslinger form the Eau Claire County gave them the addresses of those they should send letter to. Curfew will be Midnight and decibel levels have to be at 94 or under. Town Board would like to see all data regarding what the decibels levels were during the festival. Jim Bischel will be on site during the festival and will give his number to all the neighbors in case of any problems. Fred Belay and Jim Bischel will go together to the neighbors on East Side and on West Side, they are the biggest concern and just speak with them to see if they understand that there will be 3 festivals this year.

Youth Forest Land – County informed Gary Larson that the strip of land that has been in question does not belong to him and that he has never paid any taxes on this piece of land. The strip of land in Lot 2 does actually belong to the Town of Union and has been designated as such. A driveway does cross the Town of Union property. Fred will give Gary Larson a letter with a copy of the land stating this is the Town of Unions land and at this time nothing will be done about his driveway crossing the Town of Unions Land.

Newsletter – Need to be out before June 7th Open House at Fire Station.

Fire Station Report – Dave Kleist was at the meeting and wanted everyone to know that the Fire Station Open House in Sunday June 7th. The fire department would like to hold a benefit and give all proceeds to the wounded warrior project, next year’s open house will be held for the wounded warrior project with all proceeds to go to them. Fire Station would like to put up some cameras around the station, they had some aluminum cans stolen, about \$200 worth. This year they will be purchasing an

ATV trailer to haul the rehab tent. The next item to purchase will be a UTV. Fred needs to go and speak with charter regarding the cable. Dave Kleist would like list of donated items so he can send Thank you letters.

Building Inspector – No report was given.

Board Reports – MPO – Nothing to report. **Town Association** – Next meeting is next July 29th. **Tourism** – Working with Visit Eau Claire. **Fire Board** – Received money back from electric company for overpayments. **Trails Committee** – Nothing to report.

Citizens Input & Questions – No questions or comments at the meeting.

Trail Cameras for South Town Hall Rd., - DNR did not find any deer carcasses in the ditches, if more complaint they will check again. Will put up signs that state no dumping and that this area is under surveillance. Jeff Whyte will check with county about a sign.

Review/approval – previous meeting’s minutes –Motion to approve minutes by Deb Smith, Gloria Bloom seconded it, no oppose, motion carries.

Treasurer’s Report – Polly not present and no report was given.

Review/Approval of bills – Deb Smith made motion to approve report for monthly bills, Gloria Bloom seconded the motion. No oppose, motion carries.

Licenses – Operators, etc. –Had 1 operator’s licenses. 1 Driveway permit for Jane and Michael Endl. Need to approve Liquor License for Circle C – all paperwork done and paid. Permit to sell Fireworks, everything turned in, inspectors will inspect. Everything looks good. Gloria Bloom made motion to approve licenses, Jeff Bechard seconded, no oppose, motion carries.

Town Properties – Nothing at this time.

Constables Report – Russ Johnson was at the end of the meeting to discuss the new kennel. A complaint was made about barking dog, he went to the residence and asked if the dogs were licensed. He gave them the applications to license their dogs in the Town of Union. Need to make sure they license them, if not Russ will return with a citation. Need to give them information regarding the ordinance for kennels in the town. Russ will give them information and have them sign they received it, need to watch to see if they are selling puppies.

Set next meeting dates, agendas – Next meeting will be June 9th at 6:30pm.

Gloria Bloom made a motion to adjourn. Fred Belay seconded the motion. Unanimously approved. Adjourn 8:10pm