

TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, May 9, 2018
Cable Community Centre

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Hancock called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The following were in attendance: Town Board Chairman Art Hancock, Supervisors David Popelka, Susan Thurn, Town Clerk Deanne Allen and Road Foreman Bob Lang.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

MOTION by Supervisor Thurn to dispense with reading of the minutes and approve the minutes listed below as presented:

April 12, 2018;
Public Hearing, April 17, 2018;
Special Town Board Meeting, April 17, 2018
Town Board Work Meeting, April 24, 2018

MOTION seconded by Supervisor Popelka. MOTION carried.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report indicated the following balances:

General fund \$111,160.71
Cemetery Fund: \$1282.55

MOTION: by Supervisor Popelka to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. MOTION seconded by Supervisor Thurn. MOTION carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

As a quick Spring turns to summer, the Town of Cable is getting very active. Many of our seasonal residents are returning; our businesses are hiring summer help; our Roads Crew is cleaning up from the long winter and preparing for a busy a season of maintenance and repair. While our town is always an active place, its pulse certainly accelerates in the summer months. It is an exciting time of year.

We had a successful Public Hearing this past month regarding changing the zoning of most of our town-held property to the municipal category and increasing the rates charged by the Cable Sanitary District. At a Special Town meeting following the Public Hearing, the Town Board did vote to recommend to Bayfield County changing the zoning of town-held properties. The increase in Sanitary District rates will be considered at our regularly scheduled Town Board meeting.

Following the Public Hearing and Special Town Board meeting, we held our Annual Meeting. We heard reports from our various committees and commissions and services. While challenges certainly exist for us, we are being led by such dedicated and competent leaders that I remain confident that we will overcome all hurdles.

The town is hiring new AIS (Aquatic Invasive Species) Monitors for our public lake landings in an effort to protect our precious waters. In addition to his job as Recycling Attendant, Scott Gooler will be serving as the Supervisor for the AIS Monitors. We greatly appreciate his work. For the past year, Cody Kiss has been helping out in the town office with a number of tasks, and in addition to all of this, Cody will be helping us with the record keeping of Greenwood Cemetery. Much of this work has already been done by Tammy Rasmussen, but Cody will build on Tammy's work. We will also be hiring an extra seasonal person for the Roads Crew to help with mowing and other duties.

I encourage all of our citizens to participate in the many activities that our community offers throughout the summer months. Whether it be supporting our museums or businesses or churches; whether it be biking or riding an atv on our trails; whether it be going to your favorite book club or political debate or exercise class... Cable is the place to be! Your Town Board remains grateful for entrusting us to lead at such an exciting time in the life of our town.

SANITARY DISTRICT REPORT

At our May meeting, the Town of Cable Sanitary District Commission approved the amendment to the Sanitary District Ordinance as approved at the special hearing held April 17, 2018. As a result of this revision, the Commission also approved a rate adjustment from \$45.00/REU per month to \$49.000/REU per month and is asking the Town Board to also approve this adjustment.

The Commission will be advertising for hay removal from our spray field and other normal maintenance to be completed this spring and summer. The Commission will also be reviewing insurance rates prior to the policy renewal date.

The system is operating normally and very little damage to the system was noted after a long winter.

FOREST LODGE LIBRARY REPORT

- On Thursday, April 19th the library supported a screening of the documentary RESILIENCE at the Drummond School auditorium. The documentary was about “the biology of stress and the science of hope” and discussed the long term negative effects of adverse childhood experiences. The library provided refreshments. Attendance was light at this particular screening and we had a lot of cookies left over, so....
- We offered a “cookies for poetry” exchange in the last week of April, which is National Poetry Month. Anyone who brought us a poem, recited a poem to us or created a poem at the library...got a cookie!
- I enjoyed offering a presentation about the library and the services we offer to the Namakagon Community Club on Thursday, May 3rd.
- We are part-way through a MAKERSPACE: Memoirs session, presented by retired Humanities Professor Franco Pagnucci. At the initial session participants were offered a variety of readings to consider...centered on food and family. We'll wrap up this coming

Saturday, 5/12, and, if anyone is interested, please contact the library and we'll share the provided readings with you. (they are short!) The "assignment" was to work on a short piece discussing...family by way of food. Anyone who has ever been interested in starting to record their own family history is very much encouraged to attend!

- On Tuesday, May 15th at 6:30 local writer and marathon enthusiast Jim Anderson will offer a Community Conversation about his newly published PEDAL, POLE & PADDLE, a follow up to his earlier title DISCOVERING AMERICA ONE MARATHON AT A TIME, which was about running a marathon in all 50 states. In this new title he takes on marathons in Canada and Mexico...and China.
- On Thursday, May 24th, Director Lendved will participate in Redbery Book's annual literary dinner at The Brickhouse Café by reading selections from the chosen title. This year's dinner will be focused on a non-fiction title, EIGHT FLAVORS by Sarah Lohman. Get your tickets now! Seating limited to 20! Contact the Brickhouse Café.
- The library has a couple of things coming up that you'll want to get on your calendar! On Friday, June 22nd we're excited to welcome Wisconsin filmmaker John Mitchell and we'll offer a screening of his film CHEESEHEADS:THE DOCUMENTARY at the Cable Community Centre. Preceding the screening we'll offer up a "tailgate party" in the CCC parking lot with snacks, brewskis...and, possibly, surprise guests! Stay tuned!
- On Friday, July 6th, we'll offer a one-day Reading Carnival from 11-2 which will include lots of activities for kids, lunch, prizes and a puppet show. DO plan to bring your kids and/or grandkids!
- As always, we encourage you to keep up with all the happenings at the library by visiting us, our website, cable.wislib.org...or following us on Facebook. We appreciate the support of our communities and are always open to hearing about what we might be able to do for you!

CABLE UNION AIRPORT COMMISSION REPORT

Draft minutes received.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

None.

PLAN COMMISSION REPORT

Draft minutes received.

GREAT DIVIDE AMBULANCE REPORT

None.

ENFORCEMENT REPORT

None.

ROADS REPORT

Although we've had some warm weather, winter is dragging on. I have been receiving many calls about when our seasonal weight restrictions will be lifted. After talking with Bayfield County representatives, I'm guessing that won't occur for at least 10 days yet.

We are converting the equipment over to summer operations. We removed the wing from the grader, and Travis has been grading roads that are dry enough to support its weight. It is our goal to put the proper crown and shape back into some of our gravel and earth roads this spring. This translates into a lot of the sod along the roads being mixed back into the road bed which makes things rough for a while. We will be going back and re-grading these same roads after they settle and the sod breaks up. Please be patient with the process.

Our new truck is currently being painted. All of the mounted equipment is complete and has been installed on the truck. There will be some wiring to finish up after the paint is complete. I'm guessing we should take delivery of the truck around the 21st of this month.

Last week we removed the ceiling and insulation of a portion of the old town garage where it has been leaking for many years. With the structure opened up, there is a better chance we will be able to find and repair the leaks, and the wood will have a chance to dry. With a little bit of work, we are hoping we can salvage the building and keep it available for cold storage.

This past Saturday the Road and Right of Way Committee toured a good portion of our road system. We looked at some of our failing paved roads along with our some of our gravel and earth roads. We discussed safety, drainage, and longevity issues as well as general and site specific ways to possibly address these issues. At this point we are still fact finding, but the information gathered will be factored into future road decisions.

We have started shifting into spring. The docks are in, the garbage cans are out in the village, the water is turned on at the park, and the new public restrooms are open. The yard work is done at the park, and we have a good start on the Cemetery, the Fire Hall, and the Community Center. We just need those last few piles of snow to melt so we can complete those areas. We have started sweeping the streets in the village, as well as cleaning up the messes I made while plowing and piling snow. Again, we are waiting on a couple piles to finish melting and then we can complete those areas also.

CABLE TOMORROW REPORT

The Cable Tomorrow restructure is finalized and a copy is on the Cable Tomorrow Webpage. Under each team is a brief description of the areas covered by that group along with the plan commissioner(s) responsible for coordinating activities and the leader for the designated group. The Connect Communities and Economic Development group will hold their first joint meeting on June 11th. A walking map of Cable businesses and things to do in Cable has been completed and is in final review. A business survey of approximately 100 Cable businesses is

being conducted by the Economic Development team. Each member of the team is responsible for contacting approximately ten businesses. Surveys will be entered on line and results shared when completed. The Local's Card has been completed by the University of Wisconsin students and is awaiting details on branding prior to finalization. A Healthy Community grant was submitted to Bayfield County for outdoor exercise equipment. Awards will be made by the end of May. Lastly, Chris Frasci has been contacted for assistance on the calendar process to host all Cable events. Initial conversations have been positive and we hope to have the calendar ready for summer.

Chairman Hancock noted that Cable Tomorrow has been restructured into four groups. Plan Commissioners will serve on four committees. Shelly and Suzanne will delegate issues to appropriate committees.

MOTION by Supervisor Thurn to accept all reports. MOTION seconded by Supervisor Popelka. MOTION carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

There was none.

APPROVE HIRING SEASONAL ROAD CREWPERSON

Dave Swanson will be interviewed by Supervisor Thurn and Foreman Lang for the seasonal road crewperson position. It was noted that Mr. Swanson cannot work for the town for 66 days due to new rules regarding Bayfield County and Wisconsin retirement.

MOTION by Chairman Hancock to hire Dave Swanson as a seasonal roads crew person contingent upon a satisfactory interview with Roads Supervisor Thurn and Roads Foreman Lang, to be supervised by Foreman Lang, at a wage of \$18 per hour with a maximum of 600 hours per year. MOTION seconded by Supervisor Thurn.

Discussion:

Supervisor Popelka suggested the motion also be contingent on successful physical and drug tests. Foreman Lang explained that those tests with personal references, medical records and driving records are all part of the application process.

MOTION carried.

APPOINT NEW LIBRARY BOARD MEMBER

MOTION by Chairman Hancock to appoint Maureen Palmer as new Trustee for Forest Lodge Library. MOTION seconded by Supervisor Popelka. MOTION carried.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO ALLOW TOWN OFFICE KEY FOR CODY KISS

Cody Kiss has been hired for data entry on cemetery records. It was the consensus of the Board that there are too many confidential records in the office and access keys need to be limited. The office is open most days, and Cody can also take work home.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION ON SPRING CLEANUP/COOKOUT

Spring Cleanup is posted on the town website, and a notice will be sent to the email list encouraging people to participate in road cleanup and post roads they have done on Facebook. Free bags are being offered at the town office and at the dump through Memorial Day for road cleanup. Any road cleanup bags will be free when taken to the dump.

APPROVE ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY CLASS “B”/”CLASS B” PICNIC LICENSE TO FOREST LODGE LIBRARY KATIE FLOWERS FUNDRAISING EVENT, JUNE 22, 2018, LOCATED AT THE CABLE COMMUNITY CENTRE, 13660 COUNTY HIGHWAY M, CABLE, WI

MOTION by Supervisor Thurn to approve issuance of a Temporary Class “B”/”Class B” Picnic License to the Forest Lodge Library for the Katie Flowers fundraising event to be held on June 22, 2018, at the Cable Community Centre, 13660 County Highway M, Cable Wisconsin. MOTION seconded by Chairman Hancock. MOTION carried.

APPROVE CAMBA REQUEST FOR USE OF CABLE MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT 7:00 A.M. TO 9:30 A.M. FOR THIRD ANNUAL CAMBA LONGASS RIDE, SATURDAY, JULY 14, 2018

MOTION by Supervisor Thurn to approve the CAMBA request for use of the Cable Municipal Parking Lot from 7:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. for the Third Annual CAMBA Longass Ride on Saturday, July 14, 2018. MOTION seconded by Chairman Hancock. MOTION carried.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION RE: LAND PERMIT REQUEST FOR CHEQUAMEGON 100 MOUNTAIN BIKE RACE, SATURDAY, JUNE 16, 2018

MOTION by Chairman Hancock to grant the Land Permit Request for the Chequamegon 100 Mountain Bike Race on Saturday, June 16, 2018, to use a segment of Randysek Road from the North End Trail Head into Cable. MOTION seconded by Supervisor Popelka. MOTION carried.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION ON PARKER ELECTRIC, INC. ESTIMATE FOR LEGION TRIANGLE METER PEDESTAL

Parker Electric submitted an estimate of \$750.76 to bring an electric line to the triangle and pedestal. The American Legion has agreed to pay half the Parker estimate.

MOTION by Chairman Hancock to approve payment of half the bid estimate from Parker Electric for installing an electrical line to the pedestal at the triangle, with a note that the American Legion has agreed to pay half the bid estimate and take care of the monthly utility expense. MOTION seconded by Supervisor Popelka.

Discussion: It was the consensus of the Board to send a thank you to Parker Electric for their donated labor on this project.

MOTION carried.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION ON BROWN P & H INVOICE FOR \$330 AND OUTSTANDING MACKEY INVOICE

Supervisor Popelka reported there are many more items on the punch list for the new Town Garage than what is being disputed, such as unsafe stair rails, doors need weather stripping, and other items. He has been in negotiation with Brown and Mackey about reduced payment until punch list items are completed.

Foreman Lang questioned the town putting itself in the position of making reduced payments, when there is a contract and the town has insurance and a bond. He does not believe the town should give up on the work that needs to be completed and make a reduced payment. No written change orders were submitted by the contractor. He agreed that Brown Plumbing and Heating is owed \$3600 for installation of the heating unit plus \$330 for the water line minus \$290 because the timer switch was not installed correctly. The total that should be paid to Brown is \$3635.90.

MOTION by Supervisor Popelka to remit payment in full of \$3635.90 to Brown Plumbing and Heating for their work on the Town Garage and require Mackey to complete the job according to specifications before further payment. MOTION seconded by Chairman Hancock. MOTION carried.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO REMOVE TAMMY RASMUSSEN AND LARRY LUDZAK FROM THE CHIPPEWA VALLEY BANK FIRE DEPARTMENT BENEFITS ACCOUNT AND ADD KELLI TUTTLE, ART HANCOCK AND LORI LANG TO THE SAME ACCOUNT

MOTION by Chairman Hancock to remove Tammy Rasmussen and Larry Ludzak from the Chippewa Valley Bank Fire Department Benefits Account and add Kelli Tuttle, Art Hancock and Lori Lang to the same account. MOTION seconded by Supervisor Thurn. MOTION carried.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION ON 4TH OF JULY EVENTS

Deputy Clerk Laura Bjork submitted proposed equipment to be rented for 4th of July events. The Board recommended not renting the train cars for little children, as they have not been popular in the past. The band is booked. Lions will serve food until 3:00 p.m., after which Laura will have the concession stand open. A final plan will be presented at the June Board meeting.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION ON REQUEST FROM CABLE SANITARY DISTRICT #1 TO INCREASE SEWER USE RATES

MOTION by Chairman Hancock to raise Sanitary District #1 rates from \$45 per REU/month to \$49 REU/month. MOTION seconded by Supervisor Thurn.

Discussion: It was noted that the new rate will take effect with the July 2018 billing.
MOTION carried.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION ON RICK NELSON DRIVEWAY PERMIT

This matter was postponed pending further review of the issues.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO SEEK BIDS FOR ROOFING AND REPAIRS FOR THE TRAIN DEPOT

Foreman Lang will send out requests for proposals for repairs at The Historic Train Depot, specifically for asphalt shingles and fascia repair. Supervisor Popelka will meet with Foreman Lang and Brad Parker regarding electrical problems, and Supervisor Popelka agreed to look into the water problem in the sink in the concession area.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO SELECT CARPENTER FOR CHANGING ROOM RENOVATION AT PERRY LAKE LANDING

MOTION by Supervisor Thurn to hire Dale Krajenka for the carpenter work to renovate the changing room at Perry Lake Landing. MOTION seconded by Chairman Hancock. MOTION carried.

Chairman Hancock will meet with Foreman Lang and Dale onsite to discuss the project.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION ON REFERENDUM TO MAKE CLERK POSITION APPOINTED RATHER THAN ELECTED/ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE BEFORE AUGUST 25, 2018 FOR REFERENDUM AT NOVEMBER ELECTION AND POSTING OF 70 DAYS

MOTION by Chairman Hancock for the Town of Cable to enact an ordinance to allow for the Clerk and Treasurer positions to be appointed rather than elected. MOTION seconded by Supervisor Popelka.

Discussion:

Supervisor Thurn offered an amendment to the motion that the proposed ordinance be approved at the next Board meeting and that the proposed ordinance with the Board's rationale be publicly posted for 30 days. Chairman Hancock and Supervisor Popelka accepted this amendment.

MOTION carried.

SET DATE FOR NEXT REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

The next Town Board meeting will be Thursday, June 21, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.

BUDGET REPORT

The budget report was received.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

MOTION by Supervisor Thurn to pay bills for the Town of Cable for the month of May.
MOTION seconded by Supervisor Popelka. MOTION carried.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Chairman Hancock to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 p.m. MOTION seconded by Supervisor Thurn. MOTION carried.