

**TOWN OF CABLE BOARD MEETING**

**January 15, 2020 – 6:00 P.M.**

**Cable Community Centre**

**MINUTES**

**Call to Order**

Chairman Rondeau called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

**Chairman's Comments**

There were none.

**Approval of Minutes:**

**December 18, 2019**

MOTION Supervisor Merrill, seconded by Supervisor Radecki to approve the December 18, 2020 meeting minutes as presented. MOTION carried.

**December 18, 2019 Closed Meeting**

MOTION by Supervisor Merrill, seconded by Supervisor Radecki to approve the closed meeting minutes of December 18, 2020 as presented. MOTION carried.

**Treasurer's Report: Kelly Rauch**

Treasurer Rauch reported the following account balances as of November 30, 2019:

General Checking Balance: \$49,976.32

Perpetual Care Balance: \$3,026.97

Annual Care Balance: \$1,336.33

MOTION by Supervisor Radecki, seconded by Supervisor Merrill to receive and place on file the Treasurer's Report. MOTION carried.

**Clerk's Report**

The Clerk notified Board members of the WTA Spring Workshop at Lakewoods on March 27, 2020. One of the sessions is on the Board of Review, which is timely for holding a Board of Review on property re-evaluation.

Assessor Steve Nordquist has indicated that there will be two Board of Reviews this year. The regular annual one will be in April or May. The Board of Review regarding re-evaluation cannot take place until July or August after the Department of Revenue has released finalized equalized values.

Branded emails through the new website may be less expensive than the current cost with Norvado. Once the website is live, the Clerk will further check into this possibility.

MOTION by Supervisor Radecki, seconded by Supervisor Merrill to receive and place on file the Clerk's report. MOTION carried.

**Receipt of Reports:**

**Sanitary District Meeting Minutes – December 11, 2019**

**Forest Lodge Library Report – January 7, 2020**

**Cable Union Airport Meeting Minutes – December 12, 2019**

**Plan Commission – Draft Minutes for January 7, 2020**

**Connect Communities Minutes – January 9, 2020**

**Road Report**

MOTION by Supervisor Merrill, seconded by Supervisor Radecki to receive and place on file the listed reports.  
MOTION carried.

**Public Comment (Limit 3 Minutes)**

Mr. Whelihan who lives on Tahkodah Lake asked about the process to move signage that is in the water. The Lake District Commission has funding but needs to know the process. When signs are reposted, residents would like larger signs. Chairman Rondeau stated that nothing can be done in winter. The Board will revisit this request in the spring.

**Discussion/Possible Action to Approve 2019 Budget Amendments**

Five budget amendment resolutions were presented for the 2019 budget which require a two-thirds majority vote of the Board:

1. MOTION by Supervisor Radecki, seconded by Supervisor Merrill to adopt Resolution 2020-1, to transfer from the surplus of \$20,114.23 in the General Government Expense Account the amount of \$2,512.44 to the Public Safety Account to cover the deficit of \$2,512.44. MOTION carried unanimously.
2. MOTION by Supervisor Radecki, seconded by Supervisor Merrill to adopt Resolution 2020-2, to transfer from the \$17,601.79 surplus in the General Government Expense Account the amount of \$11,528.30 to the Public Works Account to cover the deficit of \$11,528.30. MOTION carried unanimously.
3. MOTION by Supervisor Merrill, seconded by Supervisor Radecki to adopt Resolution 2020-3, to transfer from the surplus of \$6,073.49 in the General Government Expense Account the amount of \$1,018.16 to the Health and Human Services Account to cover the deficit of \$1,018.16. MOTION carried unanimously.
4. MOTON by Supervisor Merrill, seconded by Supervisor Radecki to adopt Resolution 2020-4, to transfer from the surplus of \$5,055.33 in the General Government Account the amount of \$2,885.05 to the Other Financial Uses Expense Account to cover the deficit of \$2,885.05. MOTION carried unanimously.
5. MOTION by Supervisor Merrill, seconded by Supervisor Radecki to adopt Resolution 2020-5, to transfer from the surplus of \$18,429.85 in the Conservation and Development Expense Account the amount of \$5,272.02 to the Conservation and Development Expense Account to cover the deficit of \$5,272.02. MOTION carried unanimously.

**Discussion/Possible Action to Appoint Board Member to Tahkodah Lake District Board of Commissioners**

Chairman Rondeau appointed Supervisor Jack Radeck to attend the Tahkodah Lake District Board of Commissioners quarterly meetings, as requested by that Board.

**Discussion/Possible Action to Approve Picnic Licenses for Birkie:**

The American Birkiebeiner submitted a complete Picnic License application with the \$10.00 fee for the Birkie Tour event on January 19, 2020, and for the Fat Bike Birkie event on March 6 and 7, 2020.

MOTION by Supervisor Radecki, seconded by Supervisor Merrill to approve a Picnic License for the Birkie Tour event on January 19, 2020. MOTION carried.

MOTION by Supervisor Radecki, seconded by Supervisor Merrill to approve a Picnic License for the Fat Bike Birkie on March 6 and 7, 2020. MOTION carried.

**Discussion/Possible Action to Hire Summer Help for Mowing and Other Odd Jobs**

Road Supervisor Jack Radecki stated that he would like to hire a part-time seasonal person (May to September) for summer odd jobs that would include mowing, rather than contracting out for mowing. He distributed a list of duties that could be done by a part-time person that in addition to mowing would include culvert checks, garbage pickup, help patching, painting, flagmen for road projects, maintain and clean equipment, backup for Transfer Site, reseal sidewalks, and backup on weekends if needed. The pay range would be \$10 to \$15 depending on the person's qualifications.

MOTION by Supervisor Merrill, seconded by Supervisor Radecki to hire a part-time summer seasonal worker for mowing and other odd jobs. MOTION carried

**Discussion/Possible Action Regarding Blighted Property—Old School**

Supervisor Radecki reported that the back of the old school roof is caving in, and the back wall is starting to collapse. He tried calling the property owner but was unable to reach him and his call has not been returned.

It was the consensus of the Board for Chairman Rondeau to write a letter to the property owner requesting a plan to address this issue within 60 days.

**Pat Cherney** asked if the school can be preserved as an historic building. Supervisor Radecki explained that in order to get a grant for historic preservation, the town would have to approve a development company project. He proposed that parts of the building can be saved and reused to honor the building's history.

**Discussion/Possible Action to Sell Town Dump Truck**

Road Supervisor Radecki proposed selling the big lue Mac truck that was purchased from Barnes for \$50,000 because the town has two other dump trucks. With the sale, the town would be able to purchase other equipment, such as a vacuum street sweeper.

MOTION by Supervisor Merrill, seconded by Supervisor Radecki to advertise sale of the blue Mac truck for \$50,000. MOTION carried.

**Discussion/Possible Action to Approve Class A Permit for John Ames Short-Term Rental Application with Understanding Owners will Display Any Lake Owen Courtesy Codes on the Premises, as Recommended by Plan Commission**

Supervisor Merrill reported that the Plan Commission unanimously agreed that this application is in compliance and favors its approval.

MOTION by Supervisor Merrill, seconded by Supervisor Radecki to approve a Class A Permit for Short-Term Rental for John Ames with the understanding that the owners will display Lake Owen Courtesy Code signs on the premises. MOTION carried.

**Discussion/Possible Action to Approve Class A Special Use Permit for Cabin Construction for James Allen Contingent Upon Approval of Driveway Access as Recommended by Plan Commission**

Supervisor Merrill reported that this application also is recommended for approval by the Plan Commission, contingent upon approval of driveway access.

MOTION by Supervisor Merrill, seconded by Supervisor Radecki to approve a Class A Special Use Permit for construction of a cabin by James Allen, contingent upon approval of driveway access as recommended by the Plan Commission. MOTION carried.

**Discussion/Possible Action to Adopt Ordinance 44-20 Establishing Split Shifts for Elections Officials**

The Clerk reported that at recent election training she found out that it is required to have an ordinance in place in order to schedule work shifts for election workers. Otherwise, they must be scheduled for the entire day.

MOTION by Supervisor Radecki, seconded by Supervisor Merrill to adopt Ordinance 44-20 to establish split work shifts for election officials. MOTION carried.

**Discussion/Possible Action to Appoint Road Foreman Jason Swanson as Point of Contact for FEMA and System Award Management (SAM) through Wisconsin Emergency Management**

This matter was held over to the Closed Session of the meeting.

**Adopt 2020 Department of Transportation Rates**

The Clerk reported that as part of setting up accounts with FEMA and System Award Management (SAM) through Wisconsin Emergency Management, it is important for the Board to adopt the 2020 price rates of the Department of Transportation. If not adopted and an emergency occurs, FEMA sets the rates which could be lower than DOT rates.

MOTION by Supervisor Radecki, seconded by Supervisor Merrill to adopt the price rates set by the Department of Transportation for 2020. MOTION carried.

**CLOSED SESSION: Motion by Supervisor Radecki, seconded by Supervisor Merrill to go into Closed Session at 6:58p.m., pursuant to 19.85(1)(c) and 19.85(5). ROLL CALL: Chairman Rondeau, Supervisors Radecki and Merrill and Clerk Allen voting in favor.**

**MOTION by Supervisor Merrill, seconded by Supervisor Radecki to adjourn the Closed Session at 7:32 p.m., and reconvene the regular meeting in open session. ROLL CALL: Chairman Rondeau, Supervisors Radecki and Merrill and Clerk Allen voting in favor.**

As discussed in Closed Session, the following motion was made:

MOTION by Supervisor Radecki, seconded by Supervisor Merrill to forego the remaining time of probation for Jason Swanson and permanently appoint him as Road and Property Foreman at the pay rate of \$24 per hour. MOTION carried.

**Approval of Checks:**

**Fire Department**

**Nos. 3107 – 3111**

MOTION by Supervisor Radecki, seconded by Supervisor Merrill to approve payment of Fire Department check Nos. 3107 through 3111. MOTION carried.

**Forest Lodge Library**

**Nos. 3538 – 3543**

MOTION by Supervisor Radecki, seconded by Supervisor Merrill to approve payment of Forest Lodge Library check Nos. 3538 through 3543. MOTION carried.

**Town of Cable**

**Nos. 9250 – 9289**

MOTION by Supervisor Radecki, seconded by Supervisor Merrill to approve payment of Town of Cable check Nos. 9250 through 9289. MOTION carried.

**Other Issues**

Supervisor Radecki stated that the Road Report and Road Plan will be posted on the website.

The Birkie flags will be put on the electric poles during Birkie Week and then taken down. Connect Communities will be asked to work with Excel Energy to resolve the issue of not being able to use the poles.

**Next Regular Meeting: February 19, 2020**

**Adjournment:** Chairman Rondeau declared the meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.