

**TOWN OF RIDGEVILLE  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
March 14, 2016**

Board Members in attendance: Chairman, Mike Luethe; 1<sup>st</sup> Supervisor, Ron Luethe; 2<sup>nd</sup> Supervisor, Keith Giraud; also in attendance was Clerk, Rita Williams and Treasurer, Kathy Cale.

The Regular Monthly Meeting was called to order by Chairman Luethe starting at 7:30 P.M.

1. Pledge to the American Flag

The Pledge to the American Flag was recited.

2. Public Comments on Agenda Items Only

James Neumann asked if we were talking about the blacktopping and it was noted that we would be discussing it when we discuss the update on asphalt bid specs #6 on the agenda.

3. Approval of Minutes for the February 5, 2016 Special Meeting

The minutes of the February 5, 2016 Special Meeting were reviewed and approved with a motion from Keith Giraud and seconded by Ron Luethe. Motion Carried.

Approval of the Minutes for the February 8, 2016 Regular Monthly Meeting

The minutes of the February 8, 2016 Regular Monthly Meeting were reviewed and approved with a motion from Ron Luethe and seconded by Keith Giraud. Motion Carried.

4. Information on Tomah Referendum-Representatives Deb Buswell and Jan Sherwood

Deb Buswell and Jan Sherwood, two school board members from the Tomah Area School District gave a talk and some information on the referendum up for voting at the spring election for the Tomah Schools. They are requesting to be authorized to exceed the revenue limit by \$1.5 million dollars for each of the 2016-2017, 2017-2018, and 2018-2019 school years.

5. Monroe County Wisconsin Towns Association Monthly Meeting-Ron Luethe

Supervisor Luethe gave some information that was discussed at the Monroe County WTA Monthly Meeting this past month. The state had considered a ½ cent sales tax increase to go to the counties for transportation. That idea did not go over. Supervisor Luethe also noted that part of the county jail will be opening the end of the month.

6. Update on Asphalt Bid Spec Issues-Ron Luethe

Supervisor Luethe noted that he had been corresponding with a couple of engineers trying to get a formula for our seal coating of the roads. We have had trouble with the blacktopping bleeding. So far we have not received any information. We would like to get the correct formula so we will not have the bleeding. Supervisor will continue to try and get that information.

7. Discussion on Estimate Prices for Office Renovation

We have talked previously on making the office bigger. Kaleb presented some figures on making a wall to make the office bigger. That estimated figure was \$1043.09. That figure is not totally complete but will cover a lot of the wall. We also may look at new blinds. There was a motion from Mike Luethe to go ahead with the renovation when Kaleb has time. There was a second from Ron Luethe. Motion Carried.

**8. Approval of Resolution # R-3-14-16 “Move money from Capital Outlay Account to Public Safety and Health/Human Services” 2015 Budget**

Clerk Williams noted that we need to approve a resolution to move budget money from the Capital Outlay account to public safety and health/human services. She noted that when we budgeted the money for 2015 the fire truck we budgeted for was under the Capital Outlay account. We found out that we do not actual own that vehicle so we need to code it under fire protection. She also noted that we were short money under health/human services. In order to correct this coding for the CT Report we need to approve a resolution to move budget money from the Capital Outlay account. This means that we will move \$22,551.00 to Public Safety and \$560.00 to the Health/Human Services account. There was a motion from Keith Giraud to approve this resolution and a second from Ron Luethe. Motion Carried.

**9. Discussion by Land Owner requesting to transfer land owned in Town of Ridgeville to Town of Sheldon-Charles Neumann**

Resident Charles Neumann noted that he wanted the board to release his property in the Town of Ridgeville and have it put all in the Town of Sheldon. He had property in both towns and wants it to all be put in one town. It was noted from Supervisor Luethe that he had contacted the Towns Association and they got back to him and noted that there is no statute that allows or authorizes a municipality to transfer land from one town to the other town. You can only annex land that would be going from a town to a village or city. There continued to be a lengthy discussion on the erosion coming from Mr. Neumann’s barn yard.

**10. Road Patrolman Report**

He will be taking the Peterbilt to Universal to have the throw chains (Drop) put on after the damage.

Kaleb asked about the trailer that we were going to purchase. If we would get a trailer he should be able to do garbage and recycling pick up in one load. (We will put the possible purchase of a trailer on the agenda for April)

He had to install a new entrance door into the shop. It would not latch anymore. Frame was shot.

He noted that a gentleman from Miller & Bradford contacted him on possibly replacing our loader and getting one that we could add equipment to it to use it as a mower. The mower we have brakes down continually. Supervisor Giraud asked if he had been down July Road recently. There is a area that has washed out really bad. May need to get rip rap and put down where washed out.

**11. Treasurer’s Report for February 2016**

The Treasurer’s Report for February was presented by treasurer, Kathy Cale. She reported current operating funds of \$143,572.67 at the end of February. There was \$25,593.33 in checking, \$102,552.57 in savings (\$99,484.90 from tax settlements), \$6,805.88 in the general account in Madison, and \$8,620.89 in the equipment account in Madison.

**12. Approval of Bills Paid/To be Paid**

The bills paid/to be paid were review and approved with a motion from Keith Giraud and seconded by Ron Luethe. Motion Carried. This included bills from Check # 12116 dated 2/12/2016 thru Check # 12158 dated 3/14/2016 totaling \$273,978.88 of which \$237,975.92 is February 2016 Tax Settlement 2015 Tax Roll checks paid to schools, county, etc.

**13. Set Date for Next Regular Monthly Meeting and Annual Meeting-April 19, 2016**

The date for the next regular meeting has been set for Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> following the Annual Meeting that was set automatically by the state on the third Tuesday of April.

At this time there was a motion from Ron Luethe and seconded by Keith Giraud to go into closed session. Motion Carried. All of the attending residence left the building at this time.

**14. Closed Session-Convene in closed session per WI Statutes 19.85 (c) for the purpose of discussing and reviewing applications received for the Part-Time Road Maintenance Patrolman and reviewing Job Descriptions and Establishing Personnel Policies**

After closed session discussion, there was a motion by Keith Giraud to reconvene into Open Session. The motion was seconded by Ron Luethe. Motion Carried.

15. Return to open session-Any recommendations made in closed session will be announced at the next monthly board meeting.

No other residents were waiting so any recommendation will be noted at the next monthly meeting.

16. Adjourn Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 10:13 P.M. with a motion by Ron Luethe and seconded by Keith Giraud. Motion Carried.

Rita Williams  
Clerk