

**TOWN OF RIDGEVILLE**  
**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING**  
**August 10, 2015**

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

There were no public comments for the evening.

3. Approval of Minutes for the July 13, 2015 Regular Monthly Meeting

The minutes of the July 13, 2015 Regular Monthly Meeting were reviewed and approved with a motion from Keith Giraud and seconded by Ron Luethe. Motion Carried.

4. Keats Road Dust Issues – Kelly Burhop

Mr. Burhop thanked the board for putting him on the agenda. He explained his complaint and asked if he would have to put up with the dust all the time or if this would be coming to an end. He was just asking what we may be able to do to help out the situation. It was noted that road does get an extreme amount of heavy traffic which cases the road to bleed. Supervisor Ron Luethe noted that he and Patrolman Bach had viewed all the roads in Ridgeville and noted that almost every road needs something done but we do not have the funds to fix them properly. Kevin Schmitz noted that we have used the Chip Sealing in several other areas in the past years and it has serviced us well. Because of the heavy traffic it is not working as well on Keats. Putting chips on the area bleeding has been a way of saving the road. Problem is it causes more dust. It was suggested to put up speed limit signs so that traffic will slow down and help the situation. If the haulers would haul on cooler days it would not be a problem, but if not we will have the same problem again next summer. It will eventually get better with time. It was suggested that we perhaps use a cleaner chip. It was decided to wait and see what happens and if it needs more chips, we will put some cleaner chips for this year. Next year we will probably readdress the issue.

5. Discussion of Drafted Letter to Heavy Haulers on Road Damage

Supervisor Ron Luethe presented a letter he drafted to possibly be sent to the heavy haulers in an effort to try and open communication on our roads and make an effort to save these roads. There was a motion from Mike Luethe and seconded by Keith Giraud to send this letter out to the following people: Chad Powell, Chapiewsky, Hericks, Sullivan, Gerke Excavating, and Kendall Trucking. Motion Carried.

6. Discussion of Procedures to Remove Lansing Road from Town Road Inventory

There was continued discussion on discontinuing Lansing Road. Mr. Neumann was asked if this is still what he wanted to do. Mr. Neumann asked first what our plans were for maintenance on that road. It was noted that we could put several loads of gravel on that road and that Mr. Neumann could level the gravel out himself, so it would not get in his fields. We would then stay out in the winter and Mr. Neumann would take care of the snow removal himself. Mr. Neumann asked if we would be looking at seal coating that area from Hwy U to end of his grain bin which may be .02 tenth of a mile. We would be putting that request on the list and get it in line for seal coating possibly next year. It was also noted that we will have to be doing Mercury Avenue which is .89 of a mile and that will be a large expense next year. It was decided that we would put some gravel down now and Mr. Neumann could spread it around and we would stay out there in the winter. Andrew Neumann asked if we could come in if they called us. It was noted that would be no problem as long as they kept the driveway clear otherwise, and did not let the snow/ice buildup. We will be putting the seal coating for Lansing on the list for consideration next summer.

7. Road Patrolman Report

Patrolman Bach noted that they received the Peterbilt Truck back.

The (1) Ton Truck is still out being fixed-They found oil in the antifreeze. Oil cooler was bad and they will be doing the head and gaskets at the same time.

The first mowing is done and has started the second mowing on Leather Ave.

Lion's Club will be using the grader again this year for the tractor pull.

Also has been doing the normal road patching.

8. Treasurer's Report for July 2015

The treasurer's report for July 2015 was presented by treasurer, Kathy Cale. She reported total current funds of \$64,281.00. She noted that we have \$18,944.02 in checking, \$2,939.95 in savings, and \$42,397.03 in the general and equipment accounts at Madison. She also reported future income of \$101,795.85.

9. Approval of Bills Paid/To Be Paid

The bills paid/to be paid were reviewed. Payment of these bills were approved with a motion from Ron Luethe and seconded by Keith Giraud. Motion Carried. This includes bills paid from 7/20/15 thru 8/10/15. Check # 11913 thru Check # 11937 plus 4 Auto payments all totaling \$893.16. Total of all bills approved were \$24,554.37.

10. Set Date for Next Regular Monthly Meeting

The next meeting has been set for Monday, September 14, 2015.

At this point everyone left the building and there was a motion from Keith Giraud and seconded by Mike Luethe to convene into closed session. Motion Carried.

11. Closed Session-Convene in closed session per WI Statutes 19.85 (c) for the purpose of negotiating Full-Time and Part-Time Road Patrolman Wages and per WI Statutes 19.85 1 (e) for the purpose of discussing a debt settlement on personal property taxes for resident.

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

13. Adjourn Meeting

The closed session and regular meeting can be adjourned at the end of the closed session if the board is not reconvening into a regular board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned from closed session at 9:25 P.M. with a motion by Keith Giraud and seconded by Ron Luethe. Motion Carried. Any recommendations will be announced at the next regular monthly meeting.

Rita Williams  
Clerk