

TOWN OF DOVRE
TOWN BOARD MEETING

The Town Board of the Town of Dovre met on Tuesday, October 8, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. at the Dovre Town Hall located at 304 25 ½ Street to review and work on Driveway Applications and Road Inspections, as needed. The Regular Monthly Town Board Meeting for the Town of Dovre convened at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 8, 2013, at the Dovre Town Hall. Patrolman, Art Harelstad, Jr. and Surveyor, Matthew Shilts were present along with approximately 21 Town of Dovre Residents and Guests present. Names of persons present at the meeting are available from the Clerk/Treasurer.

Chairman Dean Trowbridge called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call - Supervisors Present – Tim Nelson – Dan North - James Plummer and Bruce Tegels. and Clerk/Treasurer – Linda K. Reinolt.

Agenda – Motion by Nelson, seconded by North to approve the Agenda as presented. No Discussion, Motion Carried, Unanimous Yes Vote.

Minutes of the September 12, 2013 Town Board Meeting, Financial Statement, Detailed Receipts & Disbursements and Reconciliation of Bank Statement Report for September 2013 were presented to the Town Board in typewritten form.

Motion by Nelson, seconded by Plummer to Approve the Minutes of the September 12, 2013 Town Board Meeting, as printed. No Discussion, Motion Carried, Unanimous Vote.

Motion by Tegels, seconded by Trowbridge to Approve the Financial Statement Reports as of September 30, 2013. No Discussion, Motion Carried, Unanimous Vote.

Chairman Trowbridge stated that Great Northern Sand LLC would like Town of Dovre to transfer money from their Road Maintenance Account into Town of Dovre Checking Account instead of Billing them for payments. Discussion followed – the Town of Dovre will continue to Bill Great Northern Sand LLC as we are currently doing.

Motion by North, seconded by Tegels to approve the Reconciliation Report of the September 2013 Bank Statement, No Discussion, Motion Carried, Unanimous Vote.

Chairman Trowbridge stated that the Fireproof Cabinet for OSHA required Fuel Containers has been installed in the town shop. Fuel Containers were purchased and in place.

Next Town Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 12, 2013 at the Dovre Town Hall at 7:00 pm.

Town of Dovre Budget Hearing and Special Town Meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. at the Dovre Town Hall on Tuesday, November 12, 2013.

Town of Dovre Budget Work Meeting will be held at the Dovre Town Hall on Tuesday, October 29, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

Great Northern Sand haul route signage – Chairman Trowbridge reported he is waiting to hear back from Superior Highway Office.

Chairman Trowbridge reported that the Resolution with regard to Railroad Crossings in the Town of Dovre that need to be repaired by Progressive Rail Company, per State Statute, process has been started.

Jeff Olson, representing the Dovre Historical Committee, presented a Letter of Recommendation from the Committee to the Town Board stating the following: “It is the committees recommendation to the board that we continue to use the present town hall as is and table the notion to build a new town hall. We also recommend the proposal to build a new town hall not be revisited until the year 2018.” Statistics show Dovre is in the top 4% for highest township taxes in the State of WI. Mr. Olson asked the Town Board why they were pursuing this because the results of a survey of property owners from November 2012 showed that 69.95% were against building a new town hall. Mr. Olson has spoken to 30 people and all said no to a new town hall. These people also asked

Mr. Olson if the Town Board Members were receiving financial benefits from either of the sand companies in the Town of Dovre. He asked the board Members this question and each Board Member answered "No".

Motion by Tegels, seconded by Nelson to approve a Barron County Subdivision Ordinance with regard to Ralph Schultz Property described as part of the W ½ of the NW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 4, Tn 32 – Range 10 W. 40 acre and 20 acre parcel. Will be 2 lots consisting of a 16 acre parcel and a 44 acre parcel, Motion Carried. Unanimous Vote.

Supervisor Tegels spoke with Tim from Chieftain Sand and Proppant LLC. Tim is reporting to the Town Board that Chieftain will be shutting down the Anderson Mine by Approximately October 18, 2013 and will reevaluate the situation in the spring. Approximately 500,000 Ton of product can be mined out of the Anderson Mine yet and it will take 800,000 ton haul back for reclamation. Chieftain has not been able to follow their reclamation Plan or to build a winter stockpile to feed the Dry Plant all winter. Chieftain is hauling product out of the Lucky Property now. They do not have enough equipment to run both mine sites. Have not done any back hauling to the Anderson Mine. Will make the area safe. Supervisor Tegels is concerned with the extension of the operation of the Anderson Mine into 2014, considering all of the issues there had been during the operation in 2013. Supervisor Plummer would like to revisit this situation in the future.

Chairman Trowbridge asked Chieftain Sand and Proppant LLC to put Stop Signs at the "Exit Driveways" of the the Dry Plant on 3 ½ Avenue (Co Rd. AA) and at the Wet Plant on County Rd. "A.A". Vehicles from both of these driveways enter onto Co Rd. "AA".

New Auburn Area Fire Department report - None

Patrolman Art Harelstad, Jr. Report - Health insurance premium has been increased from \$491.00 to \$621.00 per month. Harelstad and Supervisor Plummer would like the Board to consider prepping some roads for Seal Coating and crack filling in 2014 – cost would be about \$3,30.00. 1 ½ Avenue to 24th Street; a section of Holter Road. 27 ½ Street will be repaired under warranty for the saw and seal work done (3 year warranty). Saw and Seal 3 ½ Avenue – 2 miles and would be just under \$10,000.00. Harelstad said this process makes the road smoother and process is guaranteed for 3 years. Guarantee covers any cracks that open up between the 40' saw and seal cuts. Would like to do this either this Fall or in the Spring.

Motion by Tegels, seconded by Plummer to proceed with the preventive maintenance with Saw and Seal on 3 ½ Avenue this fall and put the crack filling and seal coating in the 2014 Budget, motion carried. Unanimous Vote.

Motion by Plummer to apply to the TRIPP Program for 2014/2015 for additional monies for the Barron/Dunn Avenue Road Project, seconded by Nelson, Motion Carried. Unanimous Vote Application must be into Barron County Highway Department by November 1st, 2013.

Chairman Trowbridge met with Town of Sampson Board Member with regard to 30th Street. He will meet with them again on Thursday or Friday with Patrolman Harelstad.

Board Member Reports: Supervisor Tegels thanked Tim for attending the Town Board Meeting and explaining and answering the questions with regard to Chieftain Sand and Proppant LLC mining at the Anderson Mine, etc.

Supervisor Plummer wants the Town of Dovre to follow the 5-year road plan and continue to Upgrade and Maintain roads each year.'

Supervisor North: Asked Jeff Olson to be clear on question asked previously to Board Members - North's answer was "No".

Mr. Olson stated that there is Historical Information for the Town of Dovre available back to 1893 that could be displayed, etc.

Supervisor Nelson: No Report

Chairman Trowbridge: No Report

Driveway Permits: None

Building Inspector Report – Reports from the Building Inspector were given to each Board Member.

November Meeting Agenda Items; 2014 Budget Approved by Board; Policy to Pay Board Members; Prepay LPGas; Discuss when to have public comment; Final # Snow Plow Contracts; Rail Road Resolution Progress; GNS Haul Route Signage; Tim from Chieftain Sand to see where at with Anderson Mine; Town Hall Historical Committee Update;

Motion by Tegels to pay current bills as presented, seconded by Nelson, No Discussion, Motion Carried, Unanimous Vote.

Public Comments: Mary Nietzel – Would like to recap from last Month – She understood that the Board was not interested in using Royalties from Sand Companies to aid people who are choosing to continue to live in the Town of Dovre but will only be used for property owners selling property that meet the ½ Mile or less requirement. Would like the Board to still look at both sides and consider another Resolution to benefit others affected.

A lot of negotiation went into the Property Value Guarantee and the Board settled with the Sand Companies and chose not to go to court.

It is challenging to read the Ordinances and Resolution. Supervisor Tegels would like to review the Resolution. If any more mining companies move into Town of Dovre that will be required to follow the Original “Nonmetallic Mining Ordinance” that is in place. There has been no information received with regard to the proposed Sand Conveyor System.

Question – Jeff Olson – Would a Referendum with regard to building a new Town Hall be binding? Per Wisconsin Towns Association – No it would not be. This must be voted on at a properly Noticed Meeting of the Electors of the Town of Dovre.

Public Comment – Beginning of Meeting or End. There would be no questions at the end if public Comment was at the beginning of the Town Board Meeting.

Motion by Trowbridge to adjourn the Town Board Meeting, seconded by Nelson Motion Carried.

Linda K. Reinolt, Clerk/Treasurer
Town of Dovre, Barron County