

Town of Otter Creek – August 10, 2021
Otter Creek Town Hall
Regular Town Board Meeting – 7 p.m.

Attendees:

Chairman Mark Warner*

Supervisor 1 Cecil Hayes*

Supervisor 2 LeAnn Ralph*

Clerk/Treasurer Bev Bernier

Patrolman Gary Anderson

Guests, Bob Bernier, Jon Robinson, Lori Sudbrink, Jeff Dehnhoff, Tim Flug, Pat Sand

Representing ATV/UTV Club: Joe Leier, Jeff Schroeder, Lucas Brackin

*Board Members

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

The Regular Town Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Warner at 7:09 p.m. on Tuesday, August 10, 2021. Meeting minutes from the 7/13/2021 Regular Board Meeting, and the 7/20/2021 Special Meeting (waive permit fees for broadband) were not read by Bev Bernier as Warner, Ralph and Hayes reviewed the minutes prior to tonight's meeting and agreed that the minutes did not need to be read. **Ralph motioned to approve the 7/13/2021 minutes as presented, Hayes seconded. Motion carried. Ralph motioned to approve the 7/20/21 minutes as presented, Warner seconded. Motion carried.**

Discuss and possible action on ATV Club request to open the following roads for ATV use:

- on 690th Street at 1058th Avenue to 1090th Avenue, and
- on 1058th Avenue at 690th Street to WoodWind Park

Discussion on increased ATVs on non-approved roads. **Hayes made a motion to accept the roads presented as listed above, seconded by Ralph. Motion carried.** Updated ATV/UTV Ordinance signed by the board, clerk Bernier will post on 8/11/2021, effective 8/12/2021. Per Lucas Brackin, a non-ATV road connecting to a route, the ATV Club will post a "No ATV" sign on the road put up by the ATV/UTV club.

ATV update from 7/26/21 Dunn County Unit WTA meeting – hours of operation. Nothing further needed at this time.

Discuss any update on replacement plow truck and possible purchase. Gary has information from Meyer. River States is \$157,500. Single axle. Looked at freightliner – Monroe welding is OK. Small plow - \$151,000. This is a light truck compared to what we have. 18,000# front axle, not 20,000#. \$1,000 extra for Michilin, most come with Continental tires. Without the plow or upgrade to 48" plow add \$5,800. May be up 15%.

Tim Meyer – price of \$86,926 on the truck. Adding four options that Gary wants brings the cost to \$88,355. International – Midstates - \$97,875 with no Michilin tires. You can get whatever is in the pipeline, you cannot special order. Want plow with curve on it. \$600 for wing, \$1000 for plow.

Midstates – truck is on order for September, can change a couple things, has universal unit on it. \$169,000. Truck cost is high, plow cost is low \$69,000 (Midstate plow). \$167,527 Midstate total.

Monroe is \$83,000. Meyer truck is preferred, they fix their own trucks. Trade is around \$20,000. Hydraulic pump is between \$5,000 to \$6,000 – part of the package. Meyer truck to be built in November, plowable by the end of February. This is from Monroe. Be in the 2022 budget. Gary got a 2.3% interest rate from IH. Gary would like to keep the current truck as a backup. Gary also researched a 15-year-old truck, Peterbuilt, totally rebuilt from the cab back at a cost of \$69,500. Cummins with an Allis. The seller put \$90,000 into the truck. Has 2400 hours, 33,000 miles. Our truck has 100,000 miles, 6700 hours on it.

Options Gary wants are Michelin rubber, \$1400 total for options. Comes with premium diamond cab, premium seat in cloth, tilt steering wheel. 9 litre, 350. Ralph made a motion to proceed with the International truck from Meyer, seconded by Hayes. \$88,355 approximate price. Ralph withdraw first motion. **Amended Motion by Ralph to move forward with the truck from Meyer, down payment from equipment fund, put remainder of financing into the 2022 budget. Seconded by Hayes, motion carried.** Approximate cost \$88,355 for the truck and approximately \$71,810 for equipment on the truck. Total of \$160,000.00 approximate cost. Gary will contact Meyer truck for paperwork, down payment needed, and signatures for Warner. Clerk Bernier will research loan interest rates. The Town will not pursue the Community Facility Program Pre-application for plow truck purchase.

Propane contract for Fall of 2021 from Synergy – prepay 800 gallons at 1.49/gallon for a total of \$1192.00. **Motion by Ralph to prepay \$1192.00, seconded by Hayes, motion carried.** Clerk Bernier will send in the prepay and contract.

Sanitary permits –

- Herb Sakalaucks – replacement in-ground
- Jon Kragness – new in-ground. **Need to obtain utility permit from Dunn Energy on 670th.**

Pat Sands - N10950 670th Street mobile home request – tear down the old one that is there before moving a new one in. Want to move one in and hook everything back up. He has all the forms, needs to be inspected like a new setup. Half the size of the one that is there for his grandson. Want to bring in a 2005 trailer. The old trailer was a 1971 moved in 1991. He has a fire number for the house and a fire number for the trailer, but it is gone and he has to order a replacement fire number. The trailer is at Aaron's land. The trailer needs to be inspected prior to moving it in. Clerk Bernier gave Mr. Sands Fred Weber's contact information. The board is going on the word of Pat Sands that there already is a 2nd fire number, as the parcel is about 7 acres, and minimum for one residence is 5 acres. Chairman Warner can only find one residence on the Dunn County GIS website assigned to this parcel. If there already is a second fire number for the 7 acres, this may be grandfathered in for the 2nd residence.

Updates from Fred Weber

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	7/7/2021	Axness	Permit Issued		New Home Construction
<input type="checkbox"/>	7/7/2021	Axness	Slab Plumbing	Passed	
<input type="checkbox"/>	7/7/2021	Axness	Footing	Passed	
<input type="checkbox"/>	7/7/2021	Zazovskaya	Rough Plumbing	Passed	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	7/10/2021	Gunderson	Permit Issued		New Home Construction
<input type="checkbox"/>	7/23/2021	Heitkamp	Electrical Hook-up	Passed	
<input type="checkbox"/>	7/23/2021	Stone	Permit Issued		Solar Panels
<input type="checkbox"/>	7/23/2021	Heitkamp	Permit Issued		Electrical Upgrade

Report from Patrolman on Road Work/Equipment – culverts are in. Shale is here, need to have gravel with it. Gary needs 6 loads of lime rock on Terry Giertz road – 1190th. Gary used a pipeline culvert in there. 3' culverts in the town, we need to think about this as the County cannot get culverts right now. Gary mowed once around the town to get rid of the rag weed. August 23 and 24 for blacktopping WoodWind Park.

Review treasurer's report. Motion by Ralph to accept the treasurer's report, second by Hayes, motion carried.

Clerk reviewed the finances.

Equipment Account -	\$33,857.19
Tax Account -	\$122,418.05
Checking Account -	\$44,010.79
ARPA Funds -	\$27,737.17

Public comments

– Lori Sudbrink brought updates on fencing. Submitting:

5/8/21 – Jon Robinson email to Jessica Deringer requesting line maintenance

7/28/21 – Dylan & Jessica Deringer letter to Robinson informing of 8/14/21 fence line construction

8/1/21 – Incident report from Dunn County that cattle were out, they were not Robinsons

8/3/21 – letter from Attorney Martell to Attorney Cornell acknowledging fence construction
Robinson completed a fence by Bernier.

Per Warner – in discussions with Dylan, when Dylan starts fencing he would like Gary to dig the ditch out more. Gary will add the contents to the brush pile by Dylans. From the corner post to the pedestal is Dylan's land. Mark will contact Dylan.

Auditing bills for payment – bills circulated and signed by Warner, Hayes and Ralph.

Any other business – none.

ADJOURN - Ralph moved to adjourn the monthly meeting, seconded by Hayes. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 8:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted – Bev Bernier, Clerk/Treasurer

CONTACT PHONE NUMBERS IN ORDER OF CALLING:

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LeAnn Ralph – 715-308-6336;

Bev Bernier - 715-658-0131;

Bob Bernier – 715-577-6310;

Cecil Hayes – 715-577-6634 (cell);

Town Shop - 715-658-1319;

Chuck Boyer – 715-600-4149