

## Town of Otter Creek - Regular Town Board Meeting – October 8, 2019

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Warner at 7:00 pm. In attendance were:

Chairman Mark Warner

Supervisor 1 Cecil Hayes

Supervisor 2 LeAnn Ralph

Clerk/Treasurer Bev Bernier

Patrolman Gary Anderson

Guests: Bob Bernier, Randy Simpson, Gerald Goetzinger, Chuck Boyer

Meeting minutes were not read by the Clerk as the board had reviewed the minutes prior to tonight's meeting. It was agreed that the minutes did not need to be read. Ralph motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Hayes seconded; motion carried to approve minutes as presented.

### Old Business:

Handicapped ramp stained on 9/25/2019 by Gary Anderson and Bob Bernier. Gary finished up the entryway on 10/8/2019.

### New Business

**Utility ordinance** issues related to Mosaic Telecom projects. Mark spoke to Preston Pierson of Mosaic, they are able to come to the November meeting. They are working on funding to get fiber optic into the Township. It would be prohibitive to pay the permit fee for the project. Warner will let them know to arrive about 7:15 p.m. or after, as we have the Budget Meeting, Special Town Meeting, followed by the Regular Board Meeting.

Discussion/possible action on applying for the **state's multimodal local government supplemental grant** program for roads for 690<sup>th</sup> and 1058<sup>th</sup> or other possible road projects. This was also in the WTA newsletter. Mark spoke with Dan Fedderly, the engineering fee would be \$10,000 to \$15,000, and the grant pays 90%. Motion by Ralph to apply for the grant, seconded by Hayes, motion carried. Mark will be applying for the grant. Bernier will email the contact information for Deepwood to Warner to use in the grant application.

Agreement to be signed for **Dunn County Treasurers Office collect real estate and property taxes**. Motion by Ralph, seconded by Hayes, motion carried to continue to have Dunn County collect taxes for Otter Creek.

Warner accepted the **blacktopping proposal for Asphalt Maintenance & Paving**. Motion by Hayes, seconded by Ralph to accept the bid proposal for culvert projects.

Allyson Lee applied for **operators (bartender) license** for Andy's of Otter Creek. Motion by Hayes, seconded by Ralph to approve the license application.

Bev has obtained **Notary Public** – cost of \$72 (NP charge \$20; bond \$30; stamp \$22).

Bev looking into the \$1200 grant for **computer aid regarding Election Security Subgrant**. \$600 toward computer purchase; \$100 for training; \$500 IT Support. 24-7 can provide computer, but does not have the managed IT services. Bev to contact the company in Eau Claire to get more information regarding the IT Security.

Estimated **General Transportation Aids for 2020** = \$108,483.84 (2019 - \$98,617.92)

Dunn County – **2020 Solid Waste & Recycling Per Capita Fee** – based on census count of 498; Solid Waste \$5976; Recycling \$5478 = \$11,454 (2019 was \$9769 – 18% increase of \$1685). Motion to continue service by Hayes, seconded by Ralph, motion carried.

Sanitary Permit (new, at grade) – Brenda Falk. Information purposes.

**Voting equipment** not supported after 2022 – should budget for \$8,000 over next two years, County will be looking to bundle orders to reduce costs. Life of equipment – 20 years.

Weber Inspections – Chris Madsen slab plumbing inspection passed 9-3-19.

Gary Anderson Road report – E6647 on 1090 and 670<sup>th</sup> the **driveway is washing**. Second concern - a property owner is putting up steel fence posts in the right of way. Gary cannot mow that area now. Notify Doug Owens-Pike that he needs to **remove the fence posts** as they are in the right of way which needs to be unobstructed. The right of way 33' from the center of the road. Bernier will send a letter. **Need tires for the front of the backhoe** - \$311.50 plus mounting. Tires for the grader, need the snow and ice tire – Michilin \$7300 mounted for 4 tires. Alliance tires are \$5300 for 4 tires. He put the bias tires on the front last time, but they won't last as long as the radials. Spindle bent on the right front drive. **Gary will purchase the Alliance tires for \$5300**. Motion by Hayes, seconded by Warner, motion carried to purchase Alliance tires.

Gary has an appointment Monday 10/14/19. **Gary wants to take 4 unpaid days off** between now and December 12. During Thanksgiving week he would only work 1 day.

Propose to **change to 1000 gallon fuel tanks**, Chippewa Valley Energy can drop 1000 gallon tanks. Bob Bernier will follow up with Chippewa Valley Energy.

Auditing of bills for payment –

### Financial Report

Clerk went through the finances.	Equipment Account -	\$18,660.17
	Tax Account -	\$88,686.70
	Checking Account -	\$53,337.53

Note: two outstanding checks totaling \$20,770 for Wirth Excavating; deposit on 10/7/19 for General Transportation Aid of \$24,654.48, so checking will remain at roughly \$54,000. After today's payments of \$12,000 the balance will be \$42,000.

Motion to accept the treasurers report made by Hayes, seconded by Ralph. Motion carried.  
Ralph moved to adjourn the monthly meeting, seconded by Hayes. Meeting adjourned at 8:43 pm.  
Respectfully submitted – Bev Bernier, Clerk/Treasurer

### CONTACT PHONE NUMBERS IN ORDER OF CALLING:

Gary Anderson – 715-658-1483	Bob Bernier – 715-577-6310
Mark Warner – 715-658-1602, 715-556-6083 (cell)	Cecil Hayes – 715-577-6634 (cell)
LeAnn Ralph – 715-308-6336	Town Shop - 715-658-1319
Bev Bernier - 715-658-0131	Chuck Boyer – 715-600-4149