

Town of Mazomanie Board Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2006

Present from the board, Chairman Ron Adler, Melody Moore, Fred Wolf, Dan Behringer, Maria Van Cleve, Clerk, Verna Wallace, Treasurer Absent: Dawn Zanto

Others present: Pat McSweeney, Mike, Mark, and Karen Lawler, Jerry Booth, John Beuthin, Rick Wipperfurth, Greg Huza

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 by Chairman Ron Adler. It was properly posted and published.

Motion to approve the February 14, 2006 meeting minutes by Moore, second by Behringer. Approved 4-0.

Motion to approve the February, 2006 financial reports by Wolf, second by Behringer. Approved 4-0.

There was no public input.

Greg Huza, the boatlanding engineer, presented a bid from Breuer Metal for \$6,940 to manufacture the handicapped accessible hand rail at the boatlanding. Budget was \$13,000 for this item. It will probably cost \$1,000 to install it. Motion to approve the bid for Breuer Metal in the amount of \$6940 for a handicapped accessible handrail by Wolf, second by Moore. Approved 4-0. There was also some discussion of placement of lights and the picnic table (with a roof). It will probably go in the center island between the two boat ramps. Fred Wolf would like to have a meeting of the boatlanding committee by the end of the month to discuss placement of the sign and the fee envelopes.

John Beuthin presented a plan for a new driveway on his property detailing a 16 foot wide, 1450 long driveway with less than 12% slope running from Beuthin Road up into the hills. John currently has plans to develop 2 home sites in the hills and each homesite will require a 66 ft wide "flag" or strip of land that connects the home site to Beuthin Road. There will be a shared driveway agreement for all the properties but it has yet to be written and none of the home sites have been surveyed. The driveway plan is very complex so Fred Wolf moved that members of the board and land plan commission visit the site on Saturday, March 18 at 8 am. The motion was seconded by Behringer and approved 4-0.

Mike and Mark and Karen Lawler requested that the town pay for the portion of the survey of their property that includes Handel Road as this is the portion that they intend to deed over to the town. There was no estimate of what this expense might be. Board members felt that they should review the statues in this area before coming to a decision so this item was placed on the agenda for the April Board Meeting. The Lawlers also requested that since there is some controversy regarding the name of the road (it is variously listed as Segebrecht and Handel) they would like the town to consider changing the name to Lawler. Board member sentiment seemed opposed to this idea, but no decision was made and the issue will also be on the agenda for April. The Lawler group also noted that their survey map had changed slightly from their previous one. Adler volunteered to call the lawyer for the Wisconsin Towns Assoc. and discuss what precedent there is regarding payment in deeding over roads to towns.

Resident Pat McSweeney presented a draft proposal regarding public use of the town hall. The basic idea of the policy would be to charge a large deposit, do a walk thru of the building both before and after a rental event and depending on the state of the building (no damage, everything left clean and neat) all or most of the deposit would be returned. The premise of the policy is that since town residents bought the building with their tax dollars, they ought to be able to use it. Questions regarding such a policy included: What about liability to the town? Who would be allowed to rent the building, i.e. individuals or clubs/groups? Who would be responsible for the work involved in a rental? What about access to the town garage? The locks would have to be changed. Wallace volunteered to be responsible for pre and post walk thrus and determining damage or inadequate cleaning. Van Cleve will be responsible for scheduling the building and collecting/returning deposits. Racek will get the locks changed. Motion to rent out the building with a \$250 deposit by Wolf, second by Moore. The motion was amended by Moore to include rent which will start out (as a trial) at \$25. The amendment was seconded by Wolf. Amendment passed 4-0. The original motion was also approved, 4-0. The rental policy will be reviewed on a quarterly basis.

Dane County Ordinance Amendment 27 regarding amending chapter 10 in the Dane County code of Ordinances; permitted uses in the C-1 and C-2 Commercial Districts was discussed by the board. Motion to reject by Wolf, second by Behringer to veto. Approved 4-0.

Dane County Ordinance Amendment 23 regarding amending chapter 34 in the Dane County Code of Ordinances; Controlled Blasting Site Areas. This amendment requires realtors to notify prospective home buyers if there is a blasting site within 2 miles of the property they are considering purchasing. Motion to approve by Behringer, second by Wolf. Approved 4-0.

Dane County Ordinance Amendment 26 regarding amending Chapter 10 in the Dane County Code of Ordinances; Transfer of Development Right Zoning Districts allows for the development of a legal structure to transfer development rights from a property owner to another area of the town or county. The amendment DOES NOT require that any town adopt it. Adler moved approval of Amendment 26 and it was seconded by Moore. Approved 4-0.

Two press releases, one regarding voter registration and the other regarding the town web site were presented for board approval. There was also discussion of whether to run an ad in the sickle to encourage voter registration. Moore moved approval of the two press releases and that the Board revisit the discussion of advertising in the fall. The motion was seconded by Behringer and approved 4-0.

Motion to approve a resolution supporting agreements between the Town of Mazomanie and the State Elections Board regarding use of the Statewide Voter Registration System by Adler, second by Moore- Resolution approved 4-0.

There was no discussion of Town of Mazomanie Personnel Manual (sections 1-4) but instead it was decided that a special meeting would be held in late March or early April to discuss the manual.

Road Report: Racek reported that work was being done on the right of way on North Street due to the new development at the corner of State and North. The developers will be closing State Street for about a week. Kinchee wants to install an irrigation pipe under Mint Road. He is hoping he can place the pipe without digging up the road but understands that if the road bed needs to be disturbed he will have to pay to repair it. Racek was instructed to install signs prohibiting trucks on Mahocker and West Hudson Roads.. Racek also reported that now that spring is here(read mud and soft ground) there probably needs to be a cement pad under the cardboard recycling container at the transfer site.

Disbursements- Motion to approve the March disbursements by Moore, second by Wolf. Approved 4-0.

Board Input: Once again Moore wondered about the progress of a right turn/stop sign on the corner of Mathewson and Reuter. Adler will check as the sheriff was supposed to look into it.
BECWA/Good neighbor committee meeting is March 15, at 7pm at the Middleton Town Hall
Adler reported that there is funding available for the creation of bike paths, and also read a letter implying that the access control project on hwy 78 has been suspended for the time being.
Wolf reported that he intends to attend a meeting of the Wis Towns Association in Wausau. The main topic is the changing face of agriculture in our state. Wolf also reported that in 2005 Mazomanie had 23 out of the 71 fire calls in the Joint Fire District. Wolf also acquired a Department of Transportation bid printout for the Hudson Road Bridge that details how all our money will be spent.
Behringer noted that there is a meeting of Dane County towns, cities and villages on March 22.
It was noted that the Dane County Board has developed a task force to consider a comprehensive revision of Dane County Code of Ordinances

Confirm next board meeting date: April 11, 2006

Annual meeting will be held on April 18, 2006 at 8pm. The date was printed in error in the brochure distributed with the taxes. (It said the meeting was on April 11.)

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35pm

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