

Approved February 18, 2015

**TOWN OF ALGOMA
WINNEBAGO COUNTY, WISCONSIN
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 21, 2015**

In the absence of the Town Chair, the monthly Town Board meeting was called to order by Clerk Stark at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all those present.

On a motion by Supervisors Timm/Clark, passed on a voice vote, the Board appointed Supervisor Rasmussen as Acting Chair for the meeting.

The following Supervisors were present: Tim Blake (excused), Terry Hamann, Kristine Timm, Joel Rasmussen and Patricia Clark.

The following were also present: Administrator John Haese, Treasurer Sue Drexler, Attorney Karen Marone and Clerk Deborah Stark.

On a motion by Supervisors Timm/Hamann, passed on a voice vote, the Board approved the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting dated December 17, 2014.

On a motion by Supervisors Clark/Timm, passed on a voice vote, the Board approved the disbursements for January 2015.

Dewey Nelson of 2946 Oakwood Lane thinks that the North Oakwood Road project is nice. However, some of the drainage issues should be addressed first and North Oakwood Road should be resurfaced only.

Gary Lerch of 2919 Waldwic Lane spoke about the North Oakwood Road project. The road is in a state of disrepair and an overlay won't take care of the problems. Old Omro Road, Leonard Point Road and North Oakwood Road need to be looked at as a package. People need to be given a reasonable time line on these projects and the board needs to make intelligent decisions.

Jason Laridaen of 1981 N. Oakwood Road spoke about the North Oakwood Road project. He will lose 1,500 square feet in his front yard and the eight foot terrace seems excessive. He would like to see the utilities buried. The board needs to look at other options. He also wonders about his future property value.

Ron Van Laarhoven of 1741 N. Oakwood Road moved from the city to the town. He likes the idea of sidewalks, but eight foot seems excessive. He would be giving up 24 feet. There should be more options; it seems that it is all or nothing.

Mike Klich of 1754 N. Oakwood Road wonders why the road has been repositioned eight foot closed to his residence. The town just needs to upgrade the road to meet current standards.

The Planning Commission had no report as they did not meet in December.

The Parks Committee had no report as they did not meet in November or December.

Monthly reports were received from the Town of Algoma Fire Department, Treasurer and one Constable.

Administrator John Haese reported that he has been meeting with Fire Chief Scott Groth once a month. They are going through the Fire Department Analysis. The department is very close to having current Standard Operating Procedures. They continue to talk about what to do if there comes a time when enough personnel are not available to respond to a call. The University of Wisconsin – Oshkosh Public Administration Master's class will be assisting the town with a survey. The town would like to find out what the residents would like for services. A geothermal heating and cooling ordinance will be presented in February. It will prohibit open loop geothermal systems. The Bellhaven street signs are incorrect. They show two words rather than one. The signs will be corrected. The N. Oakwood Road Reconstruction project is a nice concept, however, the town needs to address many drainage issues and funding of these first. The attorney's contract is ending tomorrow and the town thanks her for her service.

On a motion by Supervisors Timm/Clark, passed on a voice vote, the Board requested that one last newsletter be compiled and mailed by March 1, 2015.

On a motion by Supervisors Rasmussen/Hamann, passed on a voice vote, the Board approved direct deposit of payroll checks with full implementation by April 1, 2015.

It was reported that the purchase of 1448 N. Oakwood Road has been sent for recording with the Register of Deeds in Winnebago County.

Supervisor Timm reported that the board had already approved the Special Project Fund Agreement with the Oshkosh Area Community Foundation, so the agreement just needs to be signed by the proper parties.

Supervisor Rasmussen reported that the culvert permit ordinance was revised in March 2010 and these changes should be reflected in the new Driveway Permit Ordinance.

On a motion by Clark/Rasmussen, with a 2 – 2 (Timm/Hamann) voice vote, Ordinance No. 148 Ordinance Regarding Issuance of Driveway Permits failed to pass because of a tie.

A discussion took place concerning Phase 2 of Old Apple Acres 1st Addition. It was agreed that while the attorney was looking through documents, the board would continue with the business items and then come back to this item.

Administrator Haese reported that there were over 100 people at the Public Information Meeting concerning the N. Oakwood Road Reconstruction Project on Tuesday evening. At that meeting the people were given other options: do nothing, repave the roadway or reconstruct the roadway to rural section. Supervisors Rasmussen and Hamann wondered how the alignment of the roadway changed. Everyone thought the roadway would be centered within the right-of-way.

On a motion by Supervisors Rasmussen/Hamann, passed on a voice vote, the Board put a hold on the engineering contract with Strand Associates for the N. Oakwood Road Reconstruction Project until questions are answered.

On a motion by Supervisors Clark/Timm, carried on a voice vote, the Board approved Resolution No. 2015 – 01 Resolution Vacating a Portion of Oneida Street Located North of Parcel No. 002-0731.

The Board returned to the Phase 2 of Olde Apple Acres 1st Addition agenda item. By consensus, the item will be laid on the table until next month. The Board would like verification that the developer does not owe any fees.

On a motion by Supervisors Hamann/Clark, passed on a voice vote, the Board adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah L Stark, WCMC
Clerk

