

**TOWN OF LA POINTE
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2013
5:30PM AT TOWN HALL
Approved as Submitted 11-12-13**

Call to Order at 5:37pm

Present: Greg Nelson, Nick Nelson, Ham Ross, Marty Curry

Absent: Jim Patterson

Staff Present: Pete Clark, Lisa Potswald, Michael Dalzell

Public Present: Dave Thomas, Holly Tourdot

I. Public Comment A*: None

II. Town Administrator's Report

Presented by Administrator Pete Clark and placed on file by unanimous consent. Discussion included: There is now a procedure in place for private property owners for contacting White Construction and Norvado for any repairs that must be made.

The County Surveyor and Emmer will be on the Island soon to survey the aggregate piles at the Airport. Administrator Clark met with the Superintendent of the Bayfield School District regarding the use of the La Pointe School for community functions. Discussion on the restoration of zoning money and negotiations with the County. The County has plans to decrease their budget to the Planning and Zoning Department of the Town from \$15,000 down to \$5,000 in 2014. Planning and Zoning Administrator Lisa Potswald put together a memo regarding the value of Ashland County Zoning services on Madeline Island to encourage the County to maintain their \$15,000 budget as it still provides them a value. Administrator Clark also verified and defined the 'no-net-loss' from his report. It may be something to consider in the future: to adopt the policy that if the Town acquires a new property, the Town would then give up a property to maintain property tax stability.

III. Public Works

A. Roads: Nothing at this time.

B. Parks

1. Adoption of Invasive Species Management Plan: An extensive report was developed by the Intern Ethan. It does not require any expenditure, but serves as a statement that we do have an invasive species problem on Madeline Island and that we are willing to address it. The Madeline Island Wilderness Preserve received a \$10,000 grant to fund the invasive species work (not yet exhausted), and will hopefully receive the grant again next year. The Board believes this is good work, and would like to see it continue. Motion to approve the Invasive Species Management Plan. NN/MC 4A Motion Carried.

C. Airport

1. Airport Manager's Report & Checklist: Placed on file by unanimous consent.
2. Lease of Industrial Zone Lot #6 to Cedric Teisberg: Recommended by Airport Manager. Motion to lease Industrial Zone Lot #6 to Cedric Tiesberg. NN/MC 4A Motion Carried

IV. Committees

A. Zoning

1. Richards Certified Survey Map; Hagen Road, LP #014-001570-0100, 014-001570-0200, 014-001570-0300, 014-001570-0400; reconfigure 4 lots into 3: Recommended by the Town Plan Commission to be approved. Motion to accept the survey map presented by the

TPC for Hagen Road, LP #014-001570-0100, 014-001570-0200, 014-001570-0300, 014-001570-0400; reconfigure 4 lots into 3. HR/ MC 4A Motion Carried.

2. Chevront/Potswald Certified Survey Map; 364 Old Fort Road, LP #014-00200-3900; combining 2 lots into one: if approved, Ted Pallas, TPC Chair, will sign and not Planning and Zoning Administrator Potswald. Motion to accept the Survey Map; 364 Old Fort Road, LP #014-00200-3900; combining 2 lots into one. HR/ NN 4A Motion Carried.

B. CAPP: Nothing at this time.

C. Community Awards Committee

1. Appointments to the Community Awards Committee (3): The Town Board would like sign-up sheets posted and will appoint members at the next Regular Town Board Meeting on November 12, 2013.

V. Town Hall Administration

A. Administrative Assistant's Report: Motion to place Administrative Assistant's Report for October 2013 on file. HR/ MC 4A Motion Carried.

B. Budget Report: Motion to accept the Budget Report for September 2013. NN/ HR 4A Motion Carried.

C. Resolution #2013-1022: Re: Treasurer's Bond: Annual Resolution to bond the Town Treasurer. Motion to approve Resolution #2013-1022. MC/ HR 4A Motion Carried.

D. Review and Accept Health Clinic Roof Proposal: One proposal was received, from R & J Construction. Materials and labor totaling \$13,896.71. There is \$4,643 in the 2013 budget for the Clinic and the rest of the funds will come from the Contingency Plan. Motion to accept the Health Clinic Roof Proposal from R & J Construction. MC/ HR 4A Motion Carried.

E. Discussion of Bilingual Signage: presented by Nick Nelson, apologizing for not bringing the subject to the Board sooner, the press got a hold and it 'took on a life of its own' (some Board members first heard about the subject in the paper). Supervisor Nelson would like to see a small, modest fund (\$2,000- 5,000) created to kick start the signage, though he believes there may be grant money available as well as Tribal interest to help fund. Signs would be placed in the Town area, with the Ojibwe language beneath the English. They would begin the process with the directional signs in town, and possibly grow from there. They would like to work with a linguist, and request proposals from locals to produce the signs. Board members like the idea, would like the signs to look similar to those that already exist. Will be an on-going item.

F. Closed Session: Administrator Employment Agreement: Motion to go into closed session in regards to Administrator employment agreement. HR/MC 4A (Nick Nelson, Greg Nelson, Ham Ross, Marty Curry) Motion Carried. Others present: Pete Clark, Micaela Montagne. Motion to return to agenda in open session. HR/ NN 4A Motion Carried.

VI. Vouchers: Motion to approve Vouchers in the amount of \$31,050.43. HR/ MC 4A Motion Carried.

VII. Treasurer's Report: Motion to accept the Treasurer's Cash Summary Report as of September 30, 2013 with a Total of \$782,634.86. NN/ MC 4A Motion Carried.

VIII. Minutes

A. Regular Town Board Meeting October 8, 2013: Motion to approve minutes HR/ NN 4A Motion Carried.

- B. Special Town Board Meeting October 14, 2013: Motion to approve minutes
HR/ MC 2A, 2 Abstain (Greg Nelson & Nick Nelson)
- C. Special Town Board Meeting October 16, 2013: Motion to approve minutes
MC/ NN 4A Motion Carried.
- D. Special Town Board Meeting October 17, 2013: Motion to approve minutes
HR/ GN 2A, 2 Abstain (Nick Nelson & Marty Curry)

IX. Emergency Services

B. Ambulance Service

- 1. Ambulance Director's Report: Placed on file by Unanimous Consent.

X. Library

- A. Library Board Minutes: September 5, 2013: Motion to accept minutes
NN/ MC 4A Motion Carried.

XI. Public Comment B:** None

XII. Lawsuits & Legal Issues

XIII. Liquor & Operators' Licenses

XIV. New Agenda Items for Future Meetings

- A. Appointment of Community Awards Committee Members

XV. Adjourn at 6:55pm. MC/ NN 4A Motion Carried.

***This portion of public comment is restricted to one minute in length. For those wishing to speak for longer than one minute, that item appears later in the agenda.**

****Public Comment which is longer than one minute**

Submitted by Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk.

Approved as submitted. Micaela Montagne