

**TOWN OF LA POINTE
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
Immediately Following the Annual Town Meeting
At Town Hall**

I. Public Comment—Beth Fischlowitz wished to thank Ric Gillman for his years of service and to welcome Jim Patterson. Judi Patterson also welcomed Jim Patterson back to the Town Board. Beth Fischlowitz had some biodegradable trash bags and some bags made from recycled material. She proposed that the MRF try them out with a view to selling them.

II. Directives from the Annual Town Meeting

- A. Gary Russell requests that the Town and its emergency services departments work together to achieve a safety plan for July 4th & Star Bar weekend.
- B. Warren Anderson mentions that the street lights are flickering
- C. Jim Ryder requested that the street sign at the end of Snow Place Rd. be removed.
- D. Larry Whalen feels that the police are understaffed on some weekends in the summer and suggests hiring additional security personnel.
- E. Greg Nelson noted that the Nohas wish to buy a small piece of Town property. The Town approved by motion.
- F. Mike Starck asked if the Town is interested in selling land to a developer for the purpose of constructing assisted living facilities. The consensus was that more would need to be known.
- G. Scott Grabarek proposed abandoning the Rice St. Project and connecting Big Bay Rd. and Sunny Slope at their closest point.

III. Vouchers Motion to approve vouchers in the amount of \$32,137.59. HR/LW 5A MC

IV. Alternative Claims Motion to approve Alternative Claims in the amount of \$77,605.84 BF/HR 5A MC

V. Treasurer's Report Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report of 3/31/10 showing a total balance of \$1,205,956.21 and an available balance of \$750,871.92. BF/JP 5A MC

VI. Minutes

- A. March 23, 2010 Approved as submitted. HR/LW 5A MC

VII. Public Works

A. Parks

1. Upgrade of Parks Reservation System: Beth Fischlowitz reports that the system can be up and running (with training) for about \$1000 but that high speed internet will be needed at the Park. Regarding a building for the Park Office,

Keith Sowl suggests waiting till fall so that the Bayfield High School students can build one at a significant saving. It was further suggested that signage be posted to warn people of the future reservation system. (May 2011)

2.Amount of charge for rental of entire Park: the consensus was to charge the "Radley Group" \$530, which is the same as last year.

3. Hiring of Parks Attendant: Beth Fischlowitz proposes that there be no more Town jobs with a maximum number of hours at 599; it is not possible to live on the income from only that many hours. Motion to hire Greg Thury at a starting wage of \$12.50 with a 90-day review to start on April 19, 2010. LW/JP. 2 ayes, 3 nays. MF Motion to hire Carey Baxter at the same terms. BF/HR 3 ayes; two abstains. MC. The Town Board appreciates Greg Thury's good work.

B. MRF

1. MRF Supervisor's report dated 4/12/10 placed on file by unanimous consent.

C. Roads

1. Town Foreman's report dated 3/6-4/9/2010 placed on file by unanimous consent.

2. Inline Skate Event: Committee to meet on Monday, April 19, 2010, at 10 AM. Keith Sowl feels that the economic impact of this event outweighs any inconvenience it may cause.

D. Harbors

1. Report from the Committee presented by Alan Fischlowitz. The committee requests that a Designated Fund be established within the Harbors budget so that contributions from the business community may go into it. Motion to authorize the Administrative Assistant to establish the fund. Bf/JP 5A MC Committee report placed on file by unanimous consent.

2. Recommendation from the harbor Committee to appoint Michael Childers as alternate on the Harbor Committee for a three-year term to end on 3/10/13. Motion to approve the recommendation. HR/BF 5A MC

E. Airport

1. Six-year improvement Plan: postponed till the RTBM on 4/27/10.

VIII. Police

A. Police Chief's Report dated 4/8/10 placed on file by unanimous consent.

IX. Emergency Services

A. Ambulance Director's Report dated 4/6/10 placed on file by unanimous consent.

B. Fire Chief's Report for February & March placed on file by unanimous consent. Discussion followed regarding the need for signage for a burn ban.

C. Assistance to Firefighter's Grant: consensus of the Board was to proceed with the steps as presented by Tim Eldred.

X. Committees

A. Zoning

1. Zoning Administrator's Report dated 3/10-4/8/10 placed on file by unanimous consent of the Board.

B. Moratorium on CUP's & Non-conforming lots: Motion to lift the moratorium as soon as the text changes are effective. BF/LW 5A MC

Motion to move to item XI. H & I BF/HR 5A MC

XI. Town Hall Administration

H. Draft Town of La Pointe Ordinance for the Razing of Buildings under the jurisdiction of the La Pointe Building Inspector: Motion to send the draft ordinance to the town's attorney for review. HR/BF 4A 1Ab. MC

I. Letter from Thomas George dated March 8, 2010, re: MIMC (Madeline Island Music Camp) 25th Anniversary Celebration at Woods manor, Nebraska Row: this matter is awaiting a decision from the Town Plan Commission as to how best to proceed.

Motion to return to the agenda at item XI. Town Hall Administration JP/HR 5A MC

XI. Town Hall Administration

A. Town Clerk's Report dated 4/13/10 placed on file by unanimous consent & followed by discussion: by consensus the Clerk is directed to call the Bayfield School District vis-à-vis a Winter Transportation Agreement for 2010-2011. By consensus, the Town Sexton is authorized to pursue lawn care for the Greenwood Cemetery. By consensus, the Clerk is authorized to direct all Town Appointed Officials to comply with the requirement to keep and submit their hours.

B. Resolution #2010-0413: Adoption of the Town of La Pointe Section 125 Cafeteria Plan: Motion to sign & adopt Resolution #2010-0413. 4A 1Ab MC

C. Miller Farm Rd. Resolution: resolved

D. Hiring of a Professional Grant Writer: discussion; no action.

E. Town Website: Clerk to meet with Beth Fischlowitz in this regard.

F. Town of La Pointe/Robert Hartzell/Madeline Island Yacht Club

1. Warranty Deed from MIYC to Town (#1)

2. Grant of Easement from MIYC to Town (2)

3. Bill of Sale from MIYC (& Hartzell) to Town (#8)

4. Grant of Easement from MIYC (and Hartzell) to Town (#8)

5. Quit Claim Deed from MIYC to Town (#10)

All have been previously authorized for the Town Chair's signature.

G. Monthly Budget Report placed on file by unanimous consent

H. Already covered

I. Already covered

J. Insurance issues related to Winter Transportation Lease Agreement Between the Town of La Pointe, Windsleds Transportation, Inc., & Madeline Island Transportation, LLC and the Ice Rescue Memorandum of Understanding. Resolved.

K. Appointment of Town Board Liaisons to the following Departments: Library, MRF, Cemetery, Roads, Airport, Parks, REc Center, Police, Town Hall, Town Plan Commission, Fire, Ambulance Harbor, Website, Capp Motion to appoint Jim Patterson as Liaison to the Library, MRF and Cemetery. HR/BF 5A MC

The rest remain as follows:

Roads, Airport: Greg Nelson

Parks, Recreation, Police, Town Hall, Town Plan Commission: Ham Ross

Fire, Ambulance, Harbor, Website: Beth Fischlowitz

CAPP: Larry Whalen

XII. Lawsuits & Legal Issues

A. 09-cv-215 Paul Brummer vs. the Town of La Pointe

B. 04-cv-128 Town of La Pointe vs. Michael Mattingly

1. Update on Order to Raze Buildings & Remove Personal Property:
nothing new at this time.

XIII. Adjournment at 8:15 PM

Future Agenda Items

- Parks Attendant/Laborer
- Security 7/4/10 and Star Bar Weekend
- Inline Skate Event
- Park Reservation System
- Airport 6-year Plan
- Signage for Burn Ban
- MIMC 25th Anniversary
- Board of Review
- Completion of Driveway Paint Markings
- Installation of Directional Signs for Tourists

Submitted by Patty Hobin, Town Clerk

Approved as submitted on 4/27/10