

**TOWN OF LA POINTE
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2009 AT TOWN HALL
MINUTES**

Called to order at 5:35 PM

Members Present: Beth Fischlowitz, Greg Nelson, Ham Ross, Larry Whalen and Ric Gillman

1. Public Comment

A. Mike Starck said that trees had been cut down on his property (for the airport) and the mess was still there. He wants to know in writing when it will be cleaned up.

B. Beth Alsgaard feels that the purchase of a windsled by the Bayfield School District is the first step in closing the Island school.

2. Vouchers

Motion to approve vouchers in the amount of \$12,914.93. Motion by Ric Gillman; 2nd by Beth Fischlowitz. Five ayes. Motion carried.

3. Approval of minutes

A. RTBM May 12, 2009. Motion to approve the minutes as presented. Motion by Ric Gillman; 2nd by Ham Ross. Five ayes. Motion carried.

4. Public Works

A. Parks

B. MRF

1. Alltel Cell Tower Proposed Back-up Generator. Discussion.

C. Roads

1. Foreman's Report.

2. Vacation of a portion of Main St. Ric Gillman has asked the Madeline Island Yacht Club to grant the Town a permanent easement along the proposed vacated portion. He feels that they will respond with an offer in the following weeks.

3. Hiring of Greg Thury as PAL/Temporary Road Laborer: Motion to hire Greg Thury as a Parks Assistant/Laborer. Motion by Ham Ross: Withdrawn. Motion to hire Greg Thury as a PAL/Temporary Road Laborer beginning on May 27, 2009 at a wage of \$12 an hour not to exceed 599 hours. Motion by Beth Fischlowitz; 2nd by Ric Gillman. Five ayes. Motion carried.

4. Recommendation for Scott Grabarek pay raise from 90-day review: Motion to approve the Foreman Keith Sowl's review and recommendation to raise Scott Grabarek's pay from \$16.00 per hour to \$16.75 per hour effective in the next pay period. Motion by Ric Gillman; 2nd by Ham Ross. Five ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to move item 7.D.1 to the next item on the agenda. Motion by Beth Fischlowitz; 2nd by Ric Gillman.

7.D. Alternative Energy Committee

1. Larry Bean to present Wind Installation Site Discussion.

Larry Bean presented a map of the Island that showed various possible sites for the installation of wind turbines. He requested the Board's approval to pursue these sites. He said that there would likely be some dock building involved and that there would be some income for property owners who agree to have the turbine on their property. The two sites that Bean recommended are the Big Bay State Park area and the area near the property currently owned by the Dalzell family. Motion to approve pursuing sites. Motion by Ham Ross; 2nd by Ric Gillman. Five ayes. Motion carried.

Motion to return to item 4.D.1 on the agenda. Motion by Beth Fischlowitz; 2nd by Ric Gillman. Five ayes. Motion carried.

(4.) D. Harbors

1. Report from the committee: The committee met on May 13, 2009 and elected Alan Fischlowitz chairman. Its mission & goals were discussed. The next committee meeting will be on June 1.

2. Possible appointment to committee. None at this time.

E. Airport

1. Airport Inspections: Motion to accept and place on file the airport checklists dated 4/26, 5/3, 5/10 and 5/17, 2009. Motion by Ric Gillman; 2nd by Beth Fischlowitz. Five ayes. Motion carried.

2. Airport Bid Options: Airport Manager Michael Dalzell presented a chart showing seven alternate proposals for the airport repaving project vis-à-vis use of the aggregate already purchased and the reimbursement for it. In general, he feels that the more of the airport repaving project is done, the more money the Town will be reimbursed. Dalzell recommends completing six of the seven proposed alternates on the chart. Discussion.

5. Library

A. Library Report: none at this time

6. Emergency Services

A. Fire Chief's Report: none at this time.

7. Committees

A. Zoning

1. Research Section 3 Zoning Districts. Motion to table this item until the June 9, 2009 meeting. Motion by Ham Ross; 2nd by Ric Gillman. Five ayes. Motion carried. Motion to schedule a Special Town Board Meeting within a month to discuss Section 3 Zoning Districts. Motion by Ric Gillman; 2nd by Ham Ross. Clarification: The purpose of this meeting may be to form a document rather than passing the current one. Five ayes. Motion carried.

2. Zoning Dept. Standard Operating Procedures. Ham Ross (liaison to the Zoning Dept.) will discuss language clarifications with the Zoning Administrator, Jen Croonborg.

3. Resignation of Town Plan Commission members

a. Motion to accept the resignation of TPC vice-chair Ron Harrold effective May 26, 2009. Motion by Ric Gillman; 2nd by Ham Ross. Five ayes. Motion carried.

b. Motion to accept the resignation of TPC chair Carl Broberg effective May 26, 2009. Motion by Ric Gillman; 2nd by Ham Ross. Five ayes. Motion carried.

c. Ric Gillman asks for a consensus of the Board to sign and send a letter of thanks to Mr. Harrold & Mr. Broberg.

B. CAPP

C. Winter Transportation

1. Update of discussions with the Bayfield School District. There will be a meeting of an Ad Hoc committee on winter transportation negotiations formed of Town Board members (Beth Fischlowitz & Ric Gillman), School District members (Brian Goodwin & Don Jeffords) and Gary Russell representing the Ferry Line. The meeting will be Wednesday, May 27, 2009, at Town Hall.

8. Town Hall Administration

A. Administrative Assistant's report: Motion to receive and place on file the report of the administrative assistant dated May, 2009. Motion by Ric Gillman; 2nd by Beth Fischlowitz. Five ayes. Motion carried. Motion to invite Tom Ketchum (insurance representative) to attend a Town Board meeting regarding insurance. Motion by Ric Gillman; 2nd by Beth Fischlowitz. Five ayes. Motion carried.

B. Town Clerk's report: Motion to receive and place on file the Town Clerk's report. Motion by Ric Gillman; 2nd by Beth Fischlowitz. Five ayes. Motion carried.

C. Resolution 2009-0526 to appoint alternate members to the Board of Review. Motion to sign Resolution 2009-0526 appointing Jim Patterson and Judi Patterson as alternates to the Board of Review. Motion by Ric Gillman; 2nd by Ham Ross. Five ayes. Motion carried.

9. Future agenda items

A. Resolution to rescind the order to vacate the alley known as Bear Lane.

B. Vacation of a portion of Main St.: Town agreement with MIYC

C. Airport Bid Options

D. Fire Chief's report

E. Library report

F. Schedule STBM regarding Section 3 Zoning Districts

G. Update on winter transportation negotiations

H. Harbor Committee update

I. AEC Committee update.

J. Winston mediation

10. Lawsuits & Legal Issues

- A. 04-CV-128 Town of La Pointe vs. Michael Mattingly
- B. 08-CV-109 Winston et al vs Town of La Pointe
- C. 08-CV-112 S. Owen & P. Brummer vs. Craftivity & Town of La Pointe
- D. Pete Rogers' Complaint

11. Licenses

- A. Applications for Non-intoxicating beverage licenses
 - 1. Island Carvers: Motion to renew. Motion by Ric Gillman; 2nd by Ham Ross. Five ayes. Motion carried.
 - 2. Madeline Island Yacht Club: Motion to renew. Motion by Ric Gillman; 2nd by Larry Whalen. Five ayes. Motion carried.
 - 3. Motion To Go: Motion to renew. Motion by Ric Gillman; 2nd by Beth Fischlowitz. Five ayes. Motion carried.
 - 4. Sugar Shack: Motion to renew. Motion by Ham Ross; 2nd by Ric Gillman. Five ayes. Motion carried.
- B. Temporary Class "B"
 - 1. Madeline Island Music Camp: Motion to approve. Motion by Ric Gillman; 2nd by Beth Fischlowitz. Five ayes. Motion carried.

12. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn. Motion by Ric Gillman; 2nd by Larry Whalen. Five ayes. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 7:30 PM

Submitted by Patty Hobin

Approved as submitted 6/9/09

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