

## Town Administrator's Report

April 22, 2014

- **County Zoning and adoption of Island Ordinance:** Continuing monitoring and collaborating on effort to have the County adopt the revised and refined Island Ordinance as a part of the County Shoreland Zoning Ordinance. Worked closely with ZA, TPC members, Commissioner – now former Commissioner - Starck to advance the adoption. Meetings and discussions with all parties – moving to new Commissioner Rose and Cty Admin Beirl. Appeared at Cty Zoning Comm meeting this morning (4-22) – advocated on behalf of Town's position which was adopted by a vote of 4-1. The recommendation and motion now go to the County Board – will continue monitoring and advocating.
- **Health Clinic lease and future direction:** Met with members of the Community Clinic board regarding inconsistencies in the lease and interest in the future and future direction of the Clinic – particularly in integrating various health care services to broaden coverage, services, hours and reduce costs (ex: fewer transports by EMTs if preliminary exams could be performed here). Subsequent meeting to discuss lease and the requirements of Rural Health Clinic certification --- stressing the possible and the future – looking to what we can do more and better, rather than why we can't do something. This discussion has broadened to the Board and will continue.
- **SB299 – Property Tax Exemption:** Our Bill was signed by the Governor on April 16<sup>th</sup>. We were successful in originating, advocating and achieving passage of this legislation which will return \$ 72,000.00 this year (next year's prop tax contribution).
- **Contracting and Purchasing Procedures:** Standardized and uniform Contracting and Purchasing Procedures were completed and distributed to all Dept. heads. These processes and procedures will streamline and make those tasks more efficient, reduce the AA (Barb's) need to chase receipts contracts and details making her more efficient as well. These procedures will be discussed fully in the upcoming meeting between the TA and all Dept heads.

- **Monitoring issues and challenges relating to the project at 197 Big Bay Road.** The matter is now under the auspices of the UDC Inspector, James Price, insofar as it was revealed that no building permit had been issued. The matter continues.
- **Discussions with Wi DOT regarding Rice Street Extension.** Dan Kopacz – Wi DOT – enquired if having the \$ 90,000.00 initial engineering earmark forgiven (the federal government removed approx. \$ 600K in earmarked funds in 2012) would benefit the Town’s scheduling and construction methods for the road. TA responded, absolutely! Kopacz is making careful enquiry and requests to have the \$ 90K forgiven – next discussion is 4-30.
- **Working with Army Corps of Engineers with regard to scheduled harbor dredging this fall (Sept)** – discussion of dredge spoil sites – certification – capacity – all those preliminary issues required prior to commencement. That work continues.
- **EMT compensation and status:** Meetings on EMT research – the problem has been acknowledged – and possible solutions, the potential resolutions are being fleshed out and evaluated – both by the TA and by the EMT service --- the process is continuing, but working in a collaborative fashion – there will be a positive and productive resolution.
- **Continued Community Outreach and Communication**