

Town of Burns
July 11, 2016
Town Board Meeting Minutes

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hoth @ 7:30 pm. Roll call: Chairman (Chr.) Hoth, Supervisor (Sup.) Nuttleman, Supervisor (Sup.) Caulum, Treasurer (Tr.) Schlintz and Clerk (Clk.) Esser present. Chr. Hoth noted the meeting was properly posted.
2. Tr. Schlintz presented the Treasurer's Report for June 30, 2016, available account balances are \$205,397.05 and Rockland Cemetery \$16,320.02. Chr. Hoth noted for the record that the June 2016 Treasurer's Report was read.
3. Motion by Sup. Nuttleman to approve the town board minutes from June 14, 2016 as presented. Second made by Sup. Caulum. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.
4. Monthly bill payments were reviewed. Motion by Chr. Hoth to approve the bills from June 15, 2016 – July 11, 2016, checks #9376– #9400 and the 2 EFT to First National Bank and the EFT to Harland Clarke. Second made by Sup. Nuttleman. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.
5. L. Saley noted that she is monitoring the mowing of the Burns Cemetery so it is only done as needed. Bill Meyer's insurance company deducted 20% from the fence repair cost, the cemetery insurance company is negotiating this.
6. Clk. Esser received 2 sealed bids for the town hall kitchen project from Hammersbach Construction and Scott Everson Construction. Friends of Burns member Steve Beezly noted that 4 contractors came and looked at the project prior to the bid notice, after the notice in the paper there was more interest but no new bids. Chr. Hoth opened the bids with the following information:
 - Hammersbach Construction - \$18,291.36
 - Scott Everson Construction - \$10,091.21 plus \$2000 for flooringMotion made by Sup. Caulum to go with Scott Construction for \$10,091.21 plus flooring up to \$2000. Second made by Sup. Nuttleman. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried. The possible need for venting in the kitchen area and or town hall was discussed.
7. Town Zoning Administrator Bill Larson noted the certified survey map (CSM) for the lot created on the Koeneke property requires an easement, the current proposed easement is 30 feet wide and the town usually requires 66 feet. Bill will work with Xcel Energy on the easement. Ben Horstman is working on getting the "right to farm" wording on his CSM. Bill Meyers has still not completed a zoning occupancy permit for the shed he put up. Chr. Hoth noted he received a call from the Village of Bangor president Gary Althoff stating the village board had voted to dissolve the ETZ, (Extra Territorial Interim Zoning Ordinance); the village would still like to work on a well head agreement with Burns.
8. Zoning Administrator Bill Larson noted that the proposed lot created by certified survey map for the Xcel Energy substation did not have an approved access easement at this time. Motion by Sup. Nuttleman to postpone item #8 until the next meeting. Second made by Sup. Caulum. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.
9. Motion by Chr. Hoth to approve Town of Burns Resolution No. 7-11-2016 #1 WHEREAS, local government in Wisconsin is responsible for about 90% of the road miles in the state; and, WHEREAS, towns are responsible for over 50% of the road miles in the state; and, WHEREAS, Wisconsin's diverse economy is dependent upon county and town roads, as well as urban streets and transit systems across the state; and, WHEREAS, according to "Filling Potholes: A New Look at Funding Local Transportation in Wisconsin," commissioned by the Local Government Institute of Wisconsin the condition of Wisconsin's highways is now in the bottom third of the country; and, WHEREAS, according the same research municipal transportation spending has declined from \$275 per capita in 2000 to \$227 in 2012, which is less than it was in 1986; and, WHEREAS, state funding for local roads in Wisconsin has failed to keep up with costs over the past several decades, which has adversely affected local transportation finances; and, WHEREAS, levy limits do not allow local government to make up for the deterioration of state funding; and, WHEREAS, Wisconsin's over-reliance on borrowing eats away at the state's segregated funding sources – the state gas tax and vehicle registration fees – which increasingly pay debt service rather than fund transportation needs; and, WHEREAS, safety is a primary concern and responsibility of local governments across Wisconsin, and unfortunately, according to TRIP, a national non-profit transportation research group, Wisconsin had 347 non-interstate, rural road fatalities in 2013; and, WHEREAS, we recognize that all of the interstate, state, and local road systems play a vital role in the economy of Wisconsin

and must be properly maintained in order for our economy to grow; and, WHEREAS, from a competitive standpoint Wisconsin motorists pay significantly less than any of our neighbors when you combine the annual cost of the state gas tax and vehicle registration fees; and, WHEREAS, the Transportation Finance and Policy Commission, appointed by the Governor and Legislature clearly found that if Wisconsin does not adjust its user fees, the condition of both our state and local roads will deteriorate significantly over the next decade. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Burns Town Board to urge the Governor and Legislature to Just Fix It and agree upon a solution that includes a responsible level of bonding and adjusts our user fees to adequately and sustainably fund Wisconsin's transportation system. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board directs the Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to the Wisconsin Towns Association our State Legislators and to Governor Scott Walker. Adopted the 11th day of July, 2016. **Second made by Sup.**

Nuttleman. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.

10. Motion by Sup Nuttleman to approve the Temporary Class B Liquor License for Fire Fly Fest. **Second by Sup. Caulum. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.**
11. Clk. Esser noted that after working with Tostrud and Temp to correct the Quick Books records to reflect the bank balances and treasurer reports, the profit and loss financial report reconciles with the bank statements. Motion by Sup. Nuttleman to approve the 2015 Financial Report as presented. **Second made by Sup. Caulum. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.**
12. Clk. Esser noted that there has been no response from Attorney Kiefer on the Citation Ordinance enforcement procedure yet. The board suggested Clk. Esser call Attorney Kiefer to follow up on the email sent. Motion by Chr. Hoth to postpone item #12 to the next meeting. **Second made by Sup. Nuttleman. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.**
13. Chr. Hoth noted that Steve Holzhausen is done mowing road ditches and he is trying out a Case IH tractor from St. Joseph Equipment.
14. Clk. Esser noted that information on contracting for propane was received in the mail. The Town of Farmington is planning to bill the Town of Burns for snowplowing on Wanless Road.
15. Motion by Sup. Caulum to adjourn. **Second made by Sup. Nuttleman. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.**

Jane Esser – Clerk

Approved: _____