

Town of Burns  
October 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, and Clerk (Clk.) Esser present. Chr. Hoth noted the meeting was properly posted. Treasurer (Tr.) Schlintz was present to sign checks.
2. Clk. Esser presented the Treasurer's Report for September 30, 2016, available account balances are \$213,754.28 and Rockland Cemetery \$16,336.36. Chr. Hoth noted for the record that the September 2016 Treasurer's Report was read.
3. Motion by Sup. Nuttleman to approve the September 13, 2016 town board minutes 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 September 14, 2016 – October 11, 2016, checks #9475– #9500 and the 2 EFT's to First National Bank. Second made by Sup. Nuttleman. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.
5. No citizen concerns were presented.
6. Town Zoning Administrator Bill Larson was not present yet. Motion by Sup. Nuttleman to move item 6 below item 15. Second by Sup. Caulum. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.
7. Clk. Esser noted that Tr. Schlintz had received an email regarding the collection of dog license fees by the Coulee Region Humane Society when a dog is adopted. The Town may need an ordinance or resolution on file to allow the Humane Society to collect the dog license fee but more information is needed. Motion by Sup Nuttleman to postpone item 7 to the November meeting. Second by Sup. Caulum. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.
8. Chr. Hoth noted that \$10,000 of the total tractor payment has been postponed to January 2017. The board estimated the road damage cost to enter into the budget should be \$14,000 because much of the repair labor is already accounted for in the highway budget. Motion by Sup Nuttleman to move \$10,000 from Capital Outlay Category to the Reserve Category and move \$14,000 from the Contingency Fund to the Capital Outlay Category. Second by ?????Sup. Caulum. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.
9. The 2017 draft budget figures were reviewed and adjusted. Motion by Chr. Hoth to have the 2017 public budget hearing on November 8, 2016 at 7:00 pm prior to the town board meeting and post the levy for \$178,381. Second by Sup. Nuttleman. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.
10. Clk. Esser noted she had called Attorney Kieffer on Monday to confirm that he had received the September email on the Citation Ordinance enforcement questions. The email had not been received due to computer problems so it was resent on October 10th, no reply received yet. Motion by Chr. Hoth to postpone item #10 to the November meeting. Second made by Sup. Nuttleman. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.
11. Chr. Hoth noted that road crew Steve Holzhausen has been fixing roads damaged in the flood and still mowing road sides. The clerk's mail was reviewed.
12. Sup. Caulum inquired what was happening with the marking of the handicap parking spaces. Sup. Caulum reported that the Bell's Coulee Church is adding handicap parking spaces and Farhner wants \$236 to mark out handicap parking spaces so they are looking into purchasing a stencil. The town may be able to use the same stencil. Road crew Steve Holzhausen noted he looked into the cost of a line painter at Menards for about a \$100.
6. Motion by Chr. Hoth to move item 6 before item 13. Second made by Sup. Nuttleman. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried. Town Zoning Administrator Bill Larson reported that zoning occupancy permits have been issued for: Ben Horstman's new home, ? to replace an existing mobile home, Nicholas Johnson to ? basement and garage and Jason Sebranek to add a 4 season room. Excel Energies zoning occupancy permit is on hold it still needs a plot plan but they have been allowed to start grading the access area. We need to get the GIS zoning maps

updated with parcel changes and zoning changes. Bill suggests we discuss this with La Crosse County Zoning Department soon.

13. I Chairman Hoth on October 11, 2016 at the properly noticed and called Town board meeting of the Town of Burns, La Crosse County, Wisconsin with a quorum of the town board present and voting, as a voting and authorized member of the town board, move and request the town board now for a closed session of the town board under stat. 19.85, Wisconsin stats., and I move and request, for the record in the town board minutes, a roll call vote of the town board members present and voting on this motion. I respectfully include in this motion and request that the town board approve the following persons to be allowed to enter and remain in the approved closed session, subject to the individual or group removal of any person from the closed session at any time by majority vote of the town board members present and voting in the closed session: Clerk Esser, Supervisor Nuttleman and Supervisor Caulum and Chairman Hoth. The town board will reconvene into open session after the closed session. The nature of the business to be considered in the closed session is the following: 19.85 (1) (c) Wisconsin stats: considering employment and performance of the Town's road highway worker. Second by Sup. Nuttleman Will the Clerk please call the roll and record the votes. Sup. Caulum aye, Sup. Nuttleman aye, Chr. Hoth aye, Motion carried. I Chairman Hoth on October 11, 2016 as the chief presiding officer at this properly noticed and called town board meeting of the Town of Burns, La Crosse County, Wisconsin announce and give notice to those present at this open meeting that a motion to convene the town board in a closed session meeting was made by a town board supervisor prior to this announcement and notice. The nature of the proposed business to be considered in the closed session by the town board is the following: 19.85 (1) (c) Wisconsin stats; considering employment and performance of the Town's road highway worker. The motion to convene in closed session is approved by the town board, I then announce the closed session and state for the record that the board will meet in the clerk's office, so no one has to leave the building, where the town board will meet in closed session, except that those specific persons named on the motion will be allowed to attend all or part of the closed session of the town board in accordance with the motion. The closed session convened at 8:50pm.
14. The board reconvened into open session at 9:10pm. Motion by Sup. Nuttleman to go back into open session. Second made by Sup. Caulum. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.
15. No action.
16. Motion by Sup. Caulum to adjourn. Second made by Sup. Nuttleman. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Jane Esser – Clerk  
Approved: \_\_\_\_\_